

YEAR 8 – SPRING ASSESSMENTS

11th March – 14th March

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Biology

What will the exam look like?

40 minutes, 40 marks (multiple choice questions, short response and 1 extended response (4 marks)

What will I be tested on?

Knowledge and understanding of the concepts in:

• Working Scientifically

- Health and Lifestyle
- Biological Processes

Useful Revision Sources:

- Kerboodle website (online textbook and other revision materials available) Username: first letter of first name and surname (one word, lower case) Password: same as username Institutional code: ipn7
- Booklets
- KS3 Biology BBC Bitesize

Chemistry

What will the exam look like?

40 minutes, 40 marks (multiple choice questions, short response and 1 extended response (4 marks)

What will I be tested on?

Knowledge and understanding of the concepts in:

- Working Scientifically
- The Periodic Table
- Chemical Energy

Useful Revision Sources:

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Booklets

Periodic table - KS3 Chemistry - BBC Bitesize

Reactions and temperature changes - Energy changes in chemistry - (CCEA) - GCSE Chemistry (Single Science) Revision - CCEA - BBC Bitesize

Citizenship

What will the exam look like?

A range of multiple choice and short answer questions

What skills will I be tested on?

Content will cover information learnt in booklets:

- Why was the struggle for the vote important?
- What is the law and how has it changed?
- Are people treated equally? (only content covered prior to exam)

Useful Revision Sources:

Focus your revision on the knowledge organisers and home learning content from each booklet.



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Computer Science

What will the exam look like?

Online exam made up of a mixture of multiple choice and short answer questions.

What will I be tested on?

Unit 1 – Understanding Computers and Unit 2 – Binary & Logic Gates

Useful Revision Sources:

Workbook, Knowledge Organisers, PowerPoints on SharePoint.

Dance

There will be no exam for Dance.

Design and Technology

What will the exam look like?

There will be a mixture of question types, including multiple choice and short answer questions. What will I be tested on?

The exam will be based on the knowledge of the tools and machinery used in the workshop and health and safety within the workshop. You will also be assessed on your knowledge of materials including timbers and textiles. There will be a maths-based question

Useful Revision Sources:

Focus your revision on the knowledge organisers and home learning content.

Drama

What will the exam look like?

Spring 1: A performance of a script extract from the play A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare

Spring 2: A performance of a script extract from the play Top Girls by Caryl Churchill.

What will I be tested on?

You will be tested on your ability to create a convincing and engaging character, using naturalistic acting skills.

Useful Revision Sources:

Work booklet, BBC Bitesize.

English

What will the exam look like?

- Part A. Short answer questions testing knowledge of narrative writing (10 marks)
- Part B. A short story about a character who changes for the better (30 marks)

40 minutes

Total: 40 marks

What will I be tested on?

- Using a flashback
- Creative writing methods e.g. personification, simile
- Using a setting
- Crafting the ending

Useful Revision Sources:

- Write Like Dickens Knowledge Organiser (workbook)
- Episodes from Write Like Dickens workbook
- Teacher Feedback from Mid-Unit Write Like Dickens Assessment



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Food

What will the exam look like?

There will be a mixture of question types, including multiple choice and short answer questions.

What will I be tested on?

The exam will be based on your knowledge of health and safety in the kitchen, the Eatwell guide and the importance of a healthy diet. You will also be expected to answer questions about the role of the Environmental Health Officer, the 14 main allergens and how food poisoning occurs.

Useful Revision Sources:

Focus your revision on the knowledge organisers and home learning content.

French

What will the exam look like?

It is a listening, reading and writing test that covers topics and vocabulary of workbook 1 and 2. Similar to the exam in Term 1.

The listening part includes a dictation. Spellings are very important.

In the writing part you must cover all bullet points and grammar is very important. It also includes a translation into French.

The listening and reading parts combined make 50% of the mark.

The writing part makes the other 50% of the final mark.

What will I be tested on?

- AO1: Understanding and responding to different types of spoken language
- AO3: Understanding and responding to different types of written language
- AO4: Communicating effectively in writing for a variety of purposes

Useful Revision Sources:

- Your workbook 1 and 2.
- Linguascope.com
- <u>uk.language-gym.com</u>
- Your textbook which is available in any of the school computers: Start/All programs/Heinemann/KS3 French
- All your notes, practice questions and tests that your teacher has given to you this year

Geography

What will the exam look like?

Types of Questions: multiple choice, one word or one sentence answers. Short paragraphs

What will I be tested on?

- Big Ideas: 1-Use geographical knowledge; 2-Show geographical understanding; 4-Use geographical skills
- Population, Africa, Development & Economic Activity, Oceans, Urbanisation, Weather & Climate, My World Map Skills

Useful Revision Sources:

- Workbooks for the above topics and the knowledge organisers and glossaries at the back of each workbook: copies of each are on the intranet.
- Your marked and improved EOT Assessments from Year 7 & 8.
- A focused revision list will be posted on the Geography SharePoint page.



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History

What will the exam look like?

- For question 1, you need to match ten keywords to the correct definitions.
- For question 2, you need to answer ten short quiz questions
- For question 3, you need to explain how useful two sources are for a historical enquiry.
- For question 4, you need to explain the causes or consequences of an event.

What will I be tested on?

You need to know these topics in detail:

- Unit 6: How did the Tudor dynasty change religion?
- Unit 7: What happened in the English civil war?
- Unit 8: Who benefitted from the Industrial Revolution?

You also need to know your Knowledge Organisers for:

- Unit 1: How has London changed over time?
- Unit 2: How did the Normans take control of England after 1066CE?
- Unit 3: Who were the crusaders?

Useful Revision Sources:

Use your class workbooks and Knowledge Organisers for the topics named above.

Maths

What will the exam look like?

A 40 minute paper that looks just like your unit assessments.

What will I be tested on?

All topics covered so far in Year 8.

Useful Revision Sources:

- Sparx Independent learning
- Corbett Maths videos and worksheets on the topics above <u>Videos and Worksheets –</u> <u>Corbettmaths</u>
- Your workbooks

Music

What will the exam look like?

A short assessment which will take place in Lesson 5 of the Hip-hop, Rap and Grime scheme of work. In lessons you will have been working on writing your own Rap lyrics and creating the backing track to go with it on Soundtrap. In the assessment you will show your teacher everything you have been working on.

Please note this assessment will likely take place before Year 8 assessment week, whenever your class gets to Lesson 5 in the booklet. Speak to your teacher to confirm the date.

What will I be tested on?

You will receive marks for composing your own drum beat and riff and for using different textures in your track. You will also be marked on the quality of your rap lyrics and on whether your music is fluent and in time.

Useful Revision Sources:

None required – there will be lyric writing and composition time in lessons, but pupils are reminded they can also use the music department at breaks and lunchtimes to develop their skills.



Physical Education (PE)

There will be no exam for PE.

Physics

What will the exam look like?

40 minutes, 40 marks (multiple choice questions, short response and 1 extended response (4 marks).

What will I be tested on?

Knowledge and understanding of the concepts in:

- Working Scientifically
- Energy
- Motion and Pressure Lessons 1-4 only

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Energy - KS3 Physics - BBC Bitesize

Motion and speed - Forces and movement - KS3 Physics - BBC Bitesize - BBC Bitesize Pressure guide for KS3 physics students - BBC Bitesize

Religious Studies

What will the exam look like?

You will complete a 30 minute / 20 mark exam that will be in three sections. You will cover keyword meanings from all units so far (section 1), as well as some extended written answers on the most recent unit: Evil and Suffering (sections 2 and 3). All activities will be completed in an exam booklet.

What will I be tested on?

Your exam will be divided into three sections:

- Section 1: 10 key word definitions (these will be a selection of key words taken from the knowledge organisers of Unit 1: The Environment, Unit 2: Relationships and Unit 3: Evil and Suffering)
- Section 2: An explanation question (5 marks) taken from Unit 3: 'Evil and Suffering'
- Section 3: An evaluation question (5 marks) taken from Unit 3: 'Evil and Suffering'

Useful Revision Sources:

- Workbooks 1 3
- Home learning knowledge organisers (both autumn and spring)
- Lesson 6 (retrieval) in booklet 3
- Home quizzing booklets



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Visual Arts

What will the exam look like?

Your next assessment is your colouring pencils self-portrait drawing. Make sure you have completed your drawing.

Practical assessment based on your learning at school.

What will I be tested on?

Art skills: composition, tone, details, proportions, colour.

Useful Revision Sources:

Sketchbook, workbook uploaded on TEAMS.