



Raising Achievement Evening

YEAR 9



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WELCOME to The Hamble School's first Raising Achievement Evening of the 2018-19 academic year. We are sure you will agree that Year 9 is a crucially important stepping stone for your child. With this in mind, we want to empower you with the knowledge of what to expect this year with the intention of raising your child's attainment in preparation for Year 10, and feeding forwards into Year 11.

Within this booklet you will find a detailed overview for each subject. In particular you will see the topics studied at each stage throughout the year, support available to your child and guidance towards resources for how you can support your child with their learning. This is provided to enable you to have learning conversations with your child.

Should you have further questions, or require further detail on each course, please contact your child's tutor or class teacher in the first instance. Alternatively, contact the Director of Learning for the subject who can re-direct your queries on to the relevant teacher. Please visit the following website for our Staff Contact Directory, or to submit a query using our online contact form: <http://www.thehambleschool.co.uk/contact-us/>

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	8702 English Literature
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Key Text "A Christmas Carol" English Language key skills	
Spring	Key Text "Romeo and Juliet" English Language key skills	
Summer	Key Text "An Inspector Calls" English Language key skills	

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	Shmoop / Lit Charts / GCSEpod / Mr Bruff (YouTube) / BBC Bitesize
Masterclasses	Ongoing enrichment to instil a love of Literature, responsive to student interests.

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Help your child make a plan and monitor when and what homework is due using ShowMyHomework. Keep distractions to a minimum where possible so that your child can complete work independently. Make sure they complete the work in their own words, and avoid copying-pasting from the internet.
Reading	Providing a selection of texts: non-fiction, fiction, newspapers. Modelling good reading habits.
Revision Guide	Revision guides are available from the department at a reduced cost. Many are available for free from the above websites.
Resources	A copy of the key texts that students can annotate with their own notes is extremely useful. Revision guides will be available to purchase from the school when students are in Year 10.



MATHEMATICS

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	Edexcel
Specification	11MA1 (9-1 from 2015)
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1		Term 2	
	Higher	Foundation	Higher	Foundation
Autumn	Calculations Indices Factors multiples primes Standard form Surds	Calculations Place value decimals Indices Factors multiples primes	Algebra recap Expand and factorise Quadratics Rearranging solving	Algebra recap Expand and factorise Substitution
Spring	Sequences Averages Representing data Interpreting data	Tables Charts Graphs Pie charts Scatter graphs	Scatter graphs Fractions	Fractions Decimals Percentages
Summer	Percentages Ratio and proportion	Equations Inequalities	Pythagoras Trigonometry Angles	Sequences Shapes Angles

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.vle.Mathswatch.co.uk / www.corbettmaths.co.uk / Bland Maths / JustMaths / MathsGenie
Intervention	N/A
Masterclasses	N/A

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Key topic based – weekly Termly practise exam papers for homework
Revision Guide	Pearson 'Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Mathematics Revision Guide' (Endorsed by Edexcel)
Exam Practice	Termly homework papers / New exam content integrated into lessons / Mock exams
Resources	All available on the above websites



SCIENCE

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	Combined Science: Trilogy (8464) OR Separate Sciences (Biology 8461) (Chemistry 8462) (Physics 8463)
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	B1.1 Eukaryotes and Prokaryotes C1.1 Atoms, Elements and Compounds P1.1 Energy Changes	
Spring	B1.2 Microbiology and transport C1.2 The Periodic Table P1.2 Electricity 1	
Summer	B1.3 Levels of Organisation C1.3 Chemical Bonds P1.4 Particle Model of Matter	B1.4 Plant Tissues P1.3 Electricity 2

*Additional content delivered within topics for students following Separate Sciences route.

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.gcsepod.com www.mrcorfe.com http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zrkw2hv
Intervention	More information to follow in summer term <i>INVITATION ONLY</i>
Masterclasses	More information to follow in summer term <i>INVITATION ONLY</i>

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	1. Knowledge Acquisition / 2. FLIP Learning (F) or Grasp Its (H) / 3. Exam Questions
Reading	Catalyst: STEM Learning (Digital Magazine @ www.stem.org.uk) BBC Focus Magazine New Scientist Journal
Revision Guide	Collins AQA GCSE All-in-One Revision and Practice
Exam Practice	Walking Talking Questions Exam Question Homework Re-teach & Extend completed further at home using SMHW
Resources	PiXL Suite of GetIT KnowIT GraspIT ThinkIT GCSEpod PiXL DTT Booster Packs Equation Flashcards



GEOGRAPHY

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	GCSE Geography (8035)
Exam (%)	100 (Paper 1 – 35%, Paper 2 – 35%, Paper 3 - 30%)

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Paper 1: Physical landscapes of the UK (Coasts)	Paper 1: Physical landscapes of the UK (Coasts) Paper 1: Physical landscapes of the UK (Rivers)
Spring	Paper 1: Physical landscapes of the UK (Rivers) Paper 2: Resource Management – Water	Paper 2: Resource Management – Water
Summer	Paper 1: Living World (Rainforests)	Paper 1: Living World (Cold Environments)

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.gcsepod.com https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/examspecs/zy3ptyc
Intervention	Begins in the summer term. Mr Whitworth, Mrs Sargent and Mrs Valleley available to support at lunchtime or after school.
Masterclasses	These will take place in the summer term. <i>INVITATION ONLY</i>

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Research, exam questions or knowledge-based tests – set weekly.
Reading	We encourage students to keep up to date with Geography in the News so they can add geographical examples to their exam answers. Also The Geographical Magazine or National Geographic.
Revision Guide	CGP 9-1 AQA Geography Revision Guide ISBN 978-1782946106 CGP 9-1 AQA Geography Workbook ISBN 978-1782946113
Exam Practice	Students expected to complete practise questions in the CGP workbook and for Landmark Assessments. Also complete mock exams for each paper, with past paper questions in homework tasks.
Resources	Copies of these revision guides and workbooks can be purchased on Amazon if students feel they require additional notes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• My Revision Notes: AQA GCSE (9–1) Geography ISBN 978-1471887314• Geography Revision and Exam Practice Book for AQA (GCSE Grades 9-1) ISBN 978-1407176857• Revise AQA GCSE Geography Revision Guide ISBN 978-1292131320• Revise AQA GCSE Geography Revision Workbook: for the 9-1 exams ISBN 978-1292131313



HISTORY

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	Edexcel
Specification	GCSE (9-1) History
Exam (%)	100 (Paper 1 – 30%, Paper 2 – 40%, Paper 3 30%)

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Paper 2: Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91	Paper 2: Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91
Spring	Paper 2: Early Elizabethan England, 1558-88	Paper 2: Early Elizabethan England, 1558-88
Summer	Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39	Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany,

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.gcsepod.com https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/examspecs/zw4bv4j
Intervention	Formal revision intervention will begin in the summer term.
Masterclasses	Scheduled during spring term. <i>INVITATION ONLY</i>

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Weekly homework on SMHW – minimum 1-hour for home learning. Homework activities: research, exam questions or knowledge tests.
Reading	History Today Magazine 'All About History' Series BBC History Magazine
Revision Guide	Revision guide produced by the History Department, including content and exam questions. Each student has received a copy.
Exam Practice	Revision guide exam questions, mock exams and past questions as homework. Practise questions also used for Landmark Assessment.
Resources	Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Revision Guide and Workbook: Crime and Punishment in Britain Superpower Relations and the Cold War Early Elizabethan England Weimar & Nazi Germany



MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	Modern Languages
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Identity and Culture / Grammar 1 / Local Area, Holiday & Travel	School & Education / Grammar 2 / Future Career & Work
Spring	International Dimension / Translation 1	Translation 2 / Pronunciation 1
Summer	Pronunciation 2	<i>Exams Season</i>

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.linguascope.com www.thisislanguage.com	
Intervention	Tuesday & Thursday 3.00-4.30pm	<i>INVITATION ONLY</i>
Masterclasses	N/A	

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Edmodo / Duolingo / Vocabulary Tests Preparation
Reading	Mary Glasgow Magazines www.linguascope.com
Revision Guide	Pearsons Edexcel Modern Foreign Languages 9-1 Complete Revision and Practice
Exam Practice	ActiveLearn
Resources	Memrise / Duolingo / Edmodo;



ART AND DESIGN

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	Edexcel
Specification	GCSE Art and Design
Coursework (%)	60
Exam (%)	40

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Coursework Project: Still Life Visual Research + Analysing different artists ideas and techniques	Coursework Project: Still Life Developing ideas by experimenting with different media and techniques
Spring	Coursework Project: Still Life Independently developing and creating a final piece	Coursework Project: Being Human Visual Research – Drawing and painting figures
Summer	Coursework Project: Being Human Visual Research – Studying the work of other artists that link to the theme	Coursework Project: Being Human Independently developing and creating a final piece

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/art-and-design-2016.html
Intervention	<i>INVITATION ONLY</i>
Masterclasses	N/A

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Minimum 1-hour per week to be devoted to coursework development. Homework is personalised to support development of projects.
Revision Guide	GCSE Bitesize Art and Design: Complete Revision and Practice.
Exam Practice	5-hour practical exam will be completed by students at the end of the summer term.
Resources	New: The Hamble School Art Shop. <i>Sketchbooks / canvases / art equipment available to buy from Art department shop. (Open weekly)</i>



COMPUTER SCIENCE

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	Edexcel
Specification	GCSE Computer Science (1CP1)
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Programming	Data
Spring	Networking	Programming
Summer	Computer Systems	The Bigger Picture

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	Teach-ICT.com and BBC Bitesize: Computer Science GCSE YouTube – Craig n Dave Computer Science www.code.org	
Intervention	Every Thursday in T6 (Y11 Focus)	
Masterclasses	Tuesdays (TBC)	<i>INVITATION ONLY</i>

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Set weekly – approximately 1-hour. The best students go beyond the task, reading around topics. Especially true of exam questions.
Reading	Ars Technica / TechCrunch / Edexcel Revision Guide
Revision Guide	Edexcel Revision Guide Revision workbook will be required for Y10 and Y11
Exam Practice	Past papers on exam board website Key word glossary in back of exercise book
Resources	Edexcel specification / Past papers / Vocabulary lists / Long answer questions will be sent home.



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	Design Technology
Coursework (%)	50
Exam (%)	50

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Communicating ideas Research skills and analysis Developing practical skills	
Spring	CAD CAM Development Evaluating tasks Materials investigation	
Summer	Modern materials and sustainability	Systems and control Mechanisms and motions Exam techniques revision

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-technology www.technologystudent.com/
Intervention	N/A
Masterclasses	N/A

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Ensure students spend adequate time on homework tasks. These will typically be research and analysis-based.
Reading	Engineering & Technology (E&T) Magazine <i>available at https://eandt.theiet.org/tablet-editions/</i>
Revision Guide	Collins AQA GCSE Design & Technology All-in-One Revision and Practice
Exam Practice	Homework revision tasks to support future exam success
Resources	Prompt your child to download revision resources on the 'S Common' student drive on the network.



DRAMA

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	GCSE Drama
Coursework (%)	40
Exam (%)	60

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Introduction to improvising and devising skills	Theatre practitioners and theatrical style
Spring	Introduction to devising theatre	Devising theatre from stimuli
Summer	Scripted performance exam	Scripted performance exam

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zbckjxs
Intervention	Support for Drama Controlled Assessment (Coursework)
Masterclasses	N/A

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Help your child to learn lines and complete Controlled Assessment preparation.
Reading	Play scripts from a range of genres
Revision Guide	AQA GCSE Drama
Resources	Any relevant resource will be given to students in lesson.



FOOD PREPARATION AND NUTRITION

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	Food Preparation and Nutrition (8585)
Coursework (%)	50
Exam (%)	50

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Personal hygiene and bacteriology, why we cook food and cooking methods	Primary and secondary sources of food, nutrition and heat transference, practical skills
Spring	Gluten, bread, functions of ingredients. Viscosity – sauces and thickening agents	Experimental work – properties of ingredients Writing hypotheses
Summer	Pastry, dairy, pasteurisation, cheese tasting and butter making	BBQ – food safety, meat and poultry, fair trade, vegetarianism

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	http://discoverthanetearth.co.uk/secondary.php https://www.nutrition.org.uk https://www.grainchain.com	
Intervention	Wednesdays	<i>INVITATION ONLY</i>
Masterclasses	Wednesdays	<i>INVITATION ONLY</i>

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Ensure students spend <u>adequate</u> time on homework tasks. Support your child with evaluating food they make in school.
Reading	The Chef's Compendium of Professional Recipes ISBN: 9780750604901
Revision Guide	CGP AQA Food Preparation and Nutrition
Exam Practice	Allow students to practice cooking skills at home.
Resources	Ensure students bring their ingredients for practical lessons.



MEDIA STUDIES

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	OCR
Specification	Media Studies (J200)
Coursework (%)	30
Exam (%)	70

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Introduction to Media Studies: Understanding of Key Media framework, key concepts and textual analysis Practical: Print Film Poster Design	Film / Textual Analysis and Media Theory: Camerawork / Editing / MES and Sound analysis. Writing skills for textual analysis in the exam. Focus on representation Practical: Moving Image Trailers
Spring	Advertisement Unit: Media Language / Media theory Practical: Gender Representation Adverts	Gaming and Music Industry: Representation and decoding media language with games and music texts
Summer	News – Online and Participatory Media: Exploring news as a form, looking at conventions and structure. Audience pleasures.	Television Unit – TV Crime Genre: Comparison between set texts pieces 1960s and 2015 TV – social and historical context.

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse/media-studies-j200-from-2017/ https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/ztnygk7
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HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Regularly check SMHW for Media Studies homework and discuss completion of homework with child.
Reading	EduSites Media Studies (Magazine) My Revision Notes: OCR GCSE (9-1) Media Studies
Revision Guide	My Revision Notes: OCR GCSE (9-1) Media Studies
Exam Practice	Mock exam style questions to be used for extended writing, and reviewed for areas of development.



MUSIC

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	Music (8271)
Coursework (%)	60
Exam (%)	40

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Grade 1 Music Theory (working through ABRSM books)	Music theory Theme and variations
Spring	Music theory Film music	Music theory Minimalism
Summer	Music theory Classical music	Music theory Continued work on Classical music Start free composition

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zpf3cdm http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/music/gcse/music-8271
Intervention	Tuesday & Thursday Summer Term 2 <i>INVITATION ONLY</i>
Masterclasses	N/A

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Ensure students complete all music homework.
Reading	Music Journal / https://getrevising.co.uk/diagrams/the-beatles
Revision Guide	CPG AQA GCSE Music Revision Guide
Exam Practice	CPG AQA GCSE Music Exam Practice Workbook
Resources	https://renrec.co.uk/aqa-music/



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	Edexcel
Specification	Physical Education
Coursework (%)	40
Exam (%)	60

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Components of Fitness	Cardio-Respiratory System
Spring	Muscular-Skeletal System	Short and Long Term Effects of Exercise on the Body System
Summer	Methods and Principles of Training	

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.pearson.com/uk/ GCSEpod: https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts#6000/6022
Intervention	Friday GCSE PE Drop-in – B4 (from 3.00pm)
Masterclasses	Activity within the summer term

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Regular homework to consolidate learning or to prepare for lessons.
Reading	Edexcel GCSE (9-1) PE Student Book (Edexcel GCSE PE 2016) <i>by Pearson</i>
Revision Guide	Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Physical Education Revision Guide
Exam Practice	Focus on longer answer questions. Questions will be used in lessons and often set for homework.
Resources	Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Physical Education Revision Workbook <i>by Pearson</i>



RELIGIOUS STUDIES

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	Religious Studies A (8062)
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Component 1: The study of religions: beliefs, teachings and practices. <i>Christianity Beliefs</i>	Component 1: The study of religions: beliefs, teachings and practices. <i>Christianity Beliefs</i>
Spring	Component 2: Thematic Studies <i>Religion and Life</i>	Component 2: Thematic Studies <i>Religion and Life and Crime and Punishment</i>
Summer	Component 2: Thematic Studies <i>Crime and Punishment</i>	Component 1: The study of religions: beliefs, teachings and practices. <i>Christianity Practices</i>

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.gcsepod.com www.request.org.uk http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zb48q6f
Intervention	Autumn Term 1 – All students are welcome to attend the Humanities Year 11 Surgery on a Monday or Thursday lunchtime in D3. Autumn Term 2 – Tuesday or Thursday intervention afterschool by invitation.
Masterclasses	Masterclasses will be in the spring term and will take the format of Q&A sessions with a visiting speaker.

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Research, exam questions or knowledge-based tests – set weekly.
Reading	Students are encouraged to keep up to date with ethical issues in the news. We suggest students read a newspaper; for example iNews.
Revision Guide	AQA GCSE Religious Studies A Revision Guide ISBN 978-0198422839
Exam Practice	Students expected to complete practice questions in the CGP workbook and for Landmark Assessments. Also complete mock exams for each paper, with past paper questions in homework tasks.
Resources	GCSE Religious Studies for AQA A: Christianity ISBN 978-0198370338 GCSE Religious Studies for AQA A: Islam ISBN 978-0198370345



BTEC PERFORMING ARTS

2018-19

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	Edexcel
Foundation Year	Preparation and experience to prepare for the course in Year 10
Specification	BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Technical Award <i>Performing Arts: Dance Pathway</i>
Assessment	2 Internal Assessment Units 1 External Synoptic Assessment

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Component 1 – Exploring the Performing Arts <i>Reproducing set phrases from professional dance works, understanding creative intentions, physical skills, interpretive skills, analysis of dance works, exploring and developing ideas.</i>	
Spring	Component 2 – Developing Skills and Techniques in Performing Arts <i>Physical and interpretive skills, exploring dance styles, choreographic devices, choreography, props, personal management, effective rehearsing, self-assessment.</i>	
Summer	Component 3 – Performing to a Brief <i>Responding to a stimulus, themes, exploring existing repertoire, working as a company, physical and interpretive skills, production process, use of reflection.</i>	

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.youtube.com http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-tech-awards/performing-arts.html
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HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Logs / Journals / Blogs
Showcase	Attend school showcase
Discussions	Discussions about current practice. Opinions about ideas, input in ideas and research
Trips	Attending live performing arts productions - <i>dance, musicals, pantomimes, cabaret, etc.</i> Watching performing arts programmes, dance movies or musicals





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