

YEAR 10

CORE AEE BOOKLET

2025/26



THE HAMBLE SCHOOL
ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

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INTRODUCTION

WELCOME to The Hamble School's Year 10 Core Achieving Excellence Evening for 2025-2026.

The focus of this evening is to provide Parents/ Carers with the information and knowledge to support your child to make better progress in their Core subjects.

Within this booklet you will find the curriculum pages from each of our core subjects along with some additional information on our careers offering. This booklet is provided to enable you to have learning conversations with your child.

Should you have further questions, or require further detail on each Core subject, please contact your child's class teacher or Progress Leader in the first instance. Alternatively, contact the Raising Standards Leader (KS3 & KS4) who can assist with your queries further. Please send all enquiries to general@thehambleschool.co.uk

ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

2025-2026

COURSE OVERVIEW

Exam Board	AQA
Specification	English Language (8700) & English Literature (8702)
Exam (%)	100

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Term 1	Term 2
Autumn	Theme- The Power of Nature The Night Circus- narrative writing Romeo & Juliet- Friar Lawrence The Birds- structure A Christmas Carol- structure	Theme- The Power of Nature Power and Conflict Poetry Mrs Birling & Eva Smith Unseen Poetry Jaws- narrative writing
Spring	Theme- Conflict in Society Romeo & Juliet- Tybalt & Mercutio A Christmas Carol- Poverty Power and Conflict Poetry Mr Birling & Inspector Goole	Theme- Education Power and Conflict Poetry J.B. Priestley's message Charles Dickens and the ghosts Non-fiction- article writing
Summer	Theme- Minorities Power and Conflict Poetry A Christmas Carol- Tiny Tim Romeo and Juliet- inequality Unseen poetry	End of Year exam English Language Revision English Language Paper 1 English Language Paper 2 English Literature Paper 2 Spoken Language Endorsement

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.gcsepod.com / BBC Bitesize / YouTube
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HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Monitoring the completion of weekly homework tasks.
Reading	Provision of reading materials- newspaper articles, magazine articles- discussions around reading material.
Revision Guide	CGP GCSE English Language and Literature Complete Revision & Practice
Exam Practice	CGP Revision Guides (above) for examples of answers. Timed exam questions at home.
Resources	Revision Guides will contain practice questions. YouTube Literature set texts and examples of how to answer Language questions.

MATHEMATICS

2025-2026

COURSE OVERVIEW

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

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Half Term 1	Half Term 2
Autumn	Unit 1: Number Unit 2: Algebra	Unit 3: Fractions, Percentages, Ratio and Proportion Unit 4: Similarity and Congruence
Spring	Unit 5: Interpreting and Representing Data Unit 6: Angles and Trigonometry	Unit 7: Simultaneous Equations, Sequences and Inequalities Unit 8: Area and Volume
Summer	Unit 9: Graphs Unit 10: Transformations and Constructions	Unit 11: Probability Unit 12: Multiplicative Reasoning

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	www.vle.Mathswatch.co.uk / www.corbettmaths.co.uk / Dr Frost Maths / Maths Genie
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HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	Key topic based – weekly.
Revision Guide	Ready? Set? Go! Revision Guide/ Workbook (available to purchase on Scopay)
Exam Practice	Review Assessments

SCIENCE

2025-2026

COURSE OVERVIEW

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

TOPICS TO BE COMPLETED

	Biology/Chemistry	Physics/Chemistry
Autumn	B4.2 Organisation C5.3 Quantitative Chemistry	C5.2 Structures and Bonding P6.4 Radioactivity C5.5 Energy Changes
Spring	B4.3 Infection and Response C5.4 Chemical Changes	P6.2 Electricity C5.6 Rates of Reaction
Summer	B4.7 Ecology	P6.5 Forces

* Students in 10a1 study additional content throughout topics. For more information on the breakdown of topics use the link to the specification below.

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Websites	<p>Combined Science Specification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AQA GCSE Combined Science: Trilogy Specification at a glance <p>Trilogy Science Specifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AQA GCSE Biology Specification at a glance • AQA GCSE Chemistry Specification at a glance • AQA GCSE Physics Specification at a glance <p>BBC Bitesize</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCSE Combined Science - AQA Trilogy - BBC Bitesize • GCSE Biology (Single Science) - BBC Bitesize • GCSE Chemistry (Single Science) - AQA - BBC Bitesize • GCSE Physics (Single Science) - BBC Bitesize <p>Focus eLearning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus eLearning by Focus Educational Software Ltd. <p>Cognito Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cognito (cognitoedu.org) <p>Seneca</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2 (senecalearning.com)
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HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT

Homework	<p>Homework will be focused on revision and follow a plan throughout the year.</p> <p>Students will be given a revision booklet with key questions to work through each week. They will need to use this to create revision resources and test themselves on a weekly basis.</p> <p>This will prepare them for review Assessment points, Mock exams and eventually GCSE exams.</p>
Reading	<p>Catalyst: STEM Learning (Digital Magazine @ www.stem.org.uk)</p> <p>BBC Focus Magazine New Scientist Journal</p>

Revision Guide	Collins AQA GCSE All-in-One Revision and Practice
Exam Practice	Assessments in Class Seneca Cognito Science exam Questions
Resources	GCSE Pod PiXL resources Equation Flashcards

CAREERS & POST-16 OPTIONS

WHAT ARE MY POST-16 OPTIONS?

It can seem a little daunting when having to decide what subjects to study next upon leaving Year 11; or maybe you have been thinking about applying for an apprenticeship? The good news is that whatever your ability or aspiration, there will most likely be a range of choices open to you to help you progress.

Whilst these choices are important, the world of work is evolving so rapidly, that many of our students might find themselves in 10 years time working in jobs that don't exist today. If you already have a career or degree subject in mind, great, align your choices to that; but don't worry if you don't – focus on subject choices you will enjoy and find interesting.

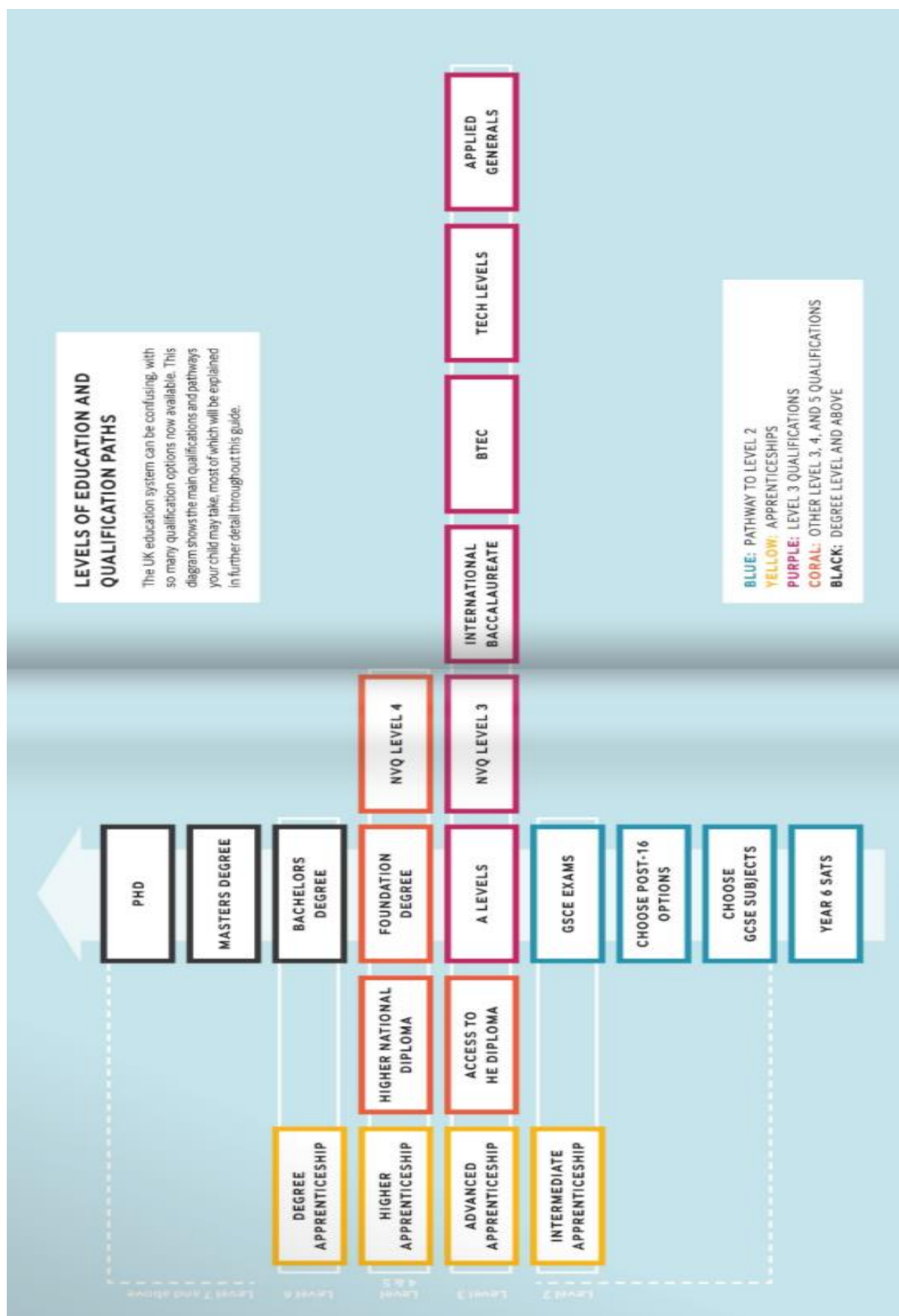
WHAT ARE MY POST-18 OPTIONS?

Is University for you? Or would you rather enter the world of work, either direct or via an apprenticeship? Will a degree offer a better chance of a well-paid career? What about that 'debt'? Did you know that degree apprenticeships are growing in number, offering both employment and a paid-for degree education?

For those of you wanting to explore other options, such as an advanced apprenticeship, a gap year, or direct entry to the job market, Not Going to Uni (NGTU) is an excellent one-stop site detailing your choices.

WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

More information can be found on the school's website via <https://www.thehambleschool.co.uk/careers/>



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Reception is open during the school term from 8am until 4pm from Monday to Thursday and 8am until 3:30pm on Friday.