

KS3 Exams

English, Maths and Science



When are they?



- 20th – 24th January 2025
- Exam timetable (will be sent to your parents and form tutors, also on wall in Student Services and outside the English/Maths/Science offices)
– write down when your exams are in the back of your revision guide.
- Take place in normal lessons with class teacher of that subject.

Exam timetable – Year 7

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 20 January	7Y Maths			7X Maths	
Tuesday 21 January	7AL Science 7DH Science 7TL English		7WL Science		7ML Science 7AH Science
Wednesday 22 January		7TH Science		7DL Science 7MH Science 7WH Science	
Thursday 23 January		7TL Science	7ML English	7AL English	7WL English
Friday 24 January				7DL English 7WH English	7AH English 7DH English 7MH English 7TH English

Exam timetable – Year 8

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 20 January			8X English	8Y English	
Tuesday 21 January		8A2 Science 8A3 Science	8A1 Science 8B1 Science 8B2 Science	8D1 Science	8D2 Science
Wednesday 22 January					
Thursday 23 January		8Y Maths		8X Maths	
Friday 24 January		8C3 Science			8C1 Science 8C2 Science

Exam timetable – Year 9

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 20 January					
Tuesday 21 January	9Y Science				9X Science
Wednesday 22 January			9X Maths	9Y Maths	
Thursday 23 January	9X English			9Y English	
Friday 24 January					

Why are we doing exams?

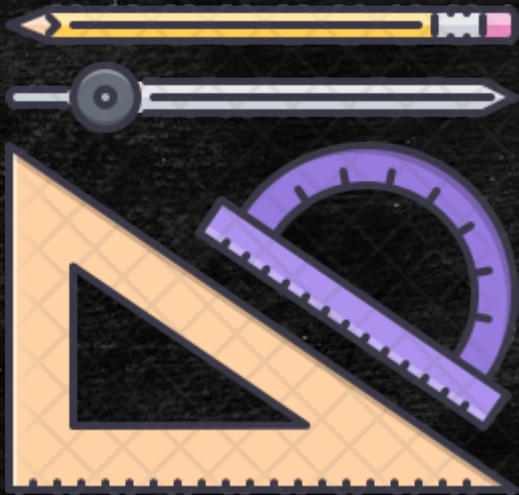
- We do exams in January and Summer of Year 7, 8 and 9 mainly so we can check you are making good progress in these important subjects. In Summer, you also sit exams in other academic subjects like Humanities and Languages.
- Analysing how you did in each topic or skill helps your teachers re-teach certain topics, address misconceptions in your learning and help you improve your subject knowledge and understanding.
- Sitting formal exams like these also gets you used to the exam process, gives you practice of exam technique and timing, hopefully resulting in far better exam results by the time you reach GCSE and A-level exams, which are marked by examiners (not your teachers!).



What equipment will you need?

ENGLISH

- Black pens x 2
- Highlighter



MATHS

- Black pens x 2
- Pencil
- 15cm ruler
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Protractor
- Compasses

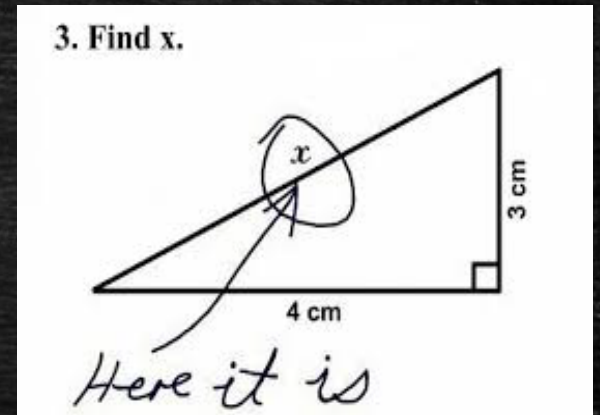
SCIENCE

- Black pens x 2
- Pencil
- 15cm ruler
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Calculator



How to approach these exams...

- Take these exams seriously and revise hard over the next 2 weeks before Xmas and the 2 weeks after Xmas.
- 45-60 per mins per day (split this up between English, Maths and Science). We will be reducing homework in other subjects during this period.
- But it is not the end of the world if an exam doesn't quite go as well as you hoped and we never use a single exam result to decide things like sets or targets.



How much revision should I do?

- Your form tutor will also go through revision techniques and the topics you need to revise using the KS3 Revision Guide.
- Your subject teachers will also do this and direct you towards the best places and revision activities to help you revise.
- Make sure you do 45–60 mins each night (split into the 3 different subjects).
- Everyone needs to revise for these exams, even if you find these subjects easy!

Create the right environment

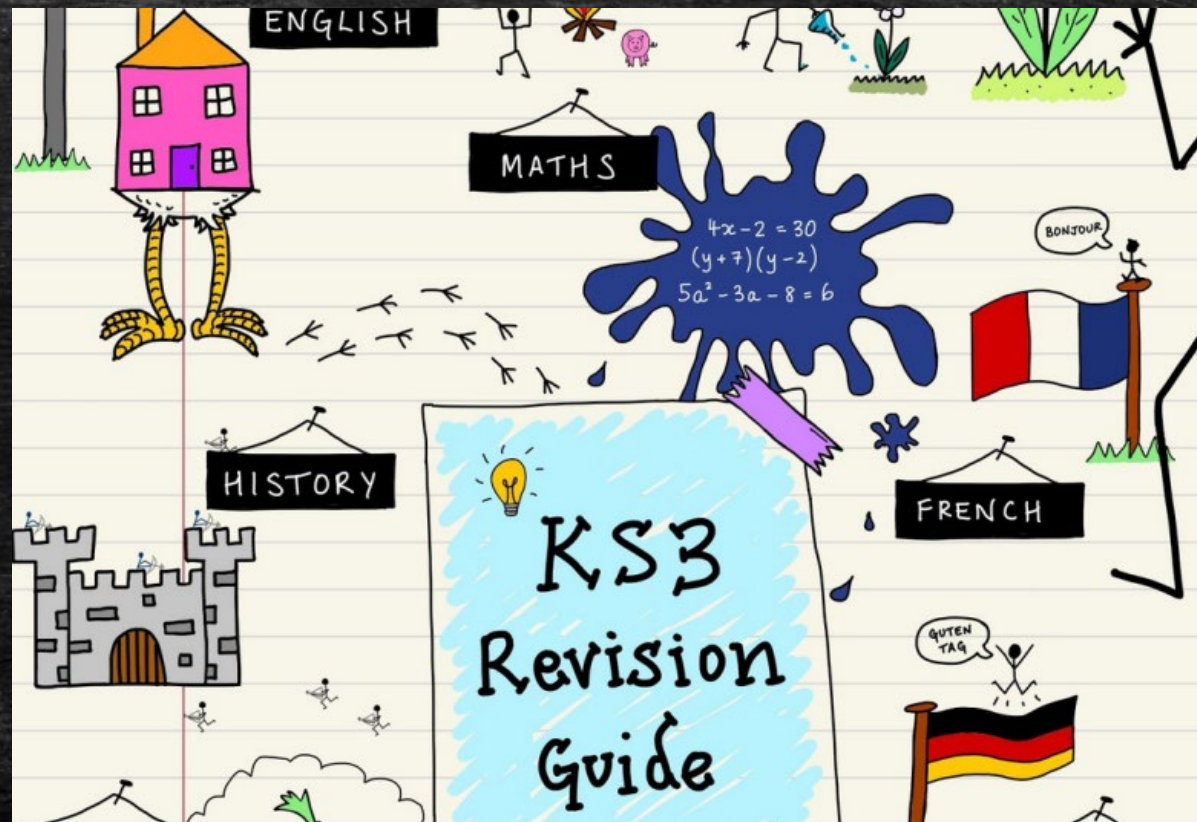
- Quiet
- Desk
- No phones or TV (put phone in another room so you are not distracted)
- Revision materials and stationery



What revision do I do?

- Go on ClassCharts for revision tasks your teachers have set for you.
- Look at topic lists, quizzes, shadow papers or revision activities in the KS3 revision booklet.
- Look, cover, write, check, using Knowledge Organisers.
- See Ms Crowder's specific revision technique if you don't know how to revise. Being good at revision takes time, practice and perseverance – it is not automatic.
- **KEY POINTS ONLY!**

KS3 revision guide



Revision timetable template

KS3 Revision Timetable		EVENING VERSION					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
4.00-4.30PM							
4.30-5.00PM							
5.00-5.30PM							
5.30-6.00PM							
6.00-6.30PM							
6.30-7.00PM							
7.00-7.30PM							
7.30-8.00PM							
8.00-8.30PM							
8.30-9.00PM							

Print from the school website:
Academic/Revision/KS3
(scroll to bottom of page)

If you have any worries or questions...

You can speak to:

- Your English, Maths & Science teachers
- Your Upgrade teachers: Mr Yu or Mrs Varewdee
- Form Tutor
- Student Services
- Head of Year 7 (Miss Taylor)
Head of Year 8 (Miss Rowley)
Head of Year 9 (Miss Beck)

