

Y11 PARENT INFO EVENING

THURSDAY 11TH JANUARY 2024

“Preparing you today for a successful tomorrow”

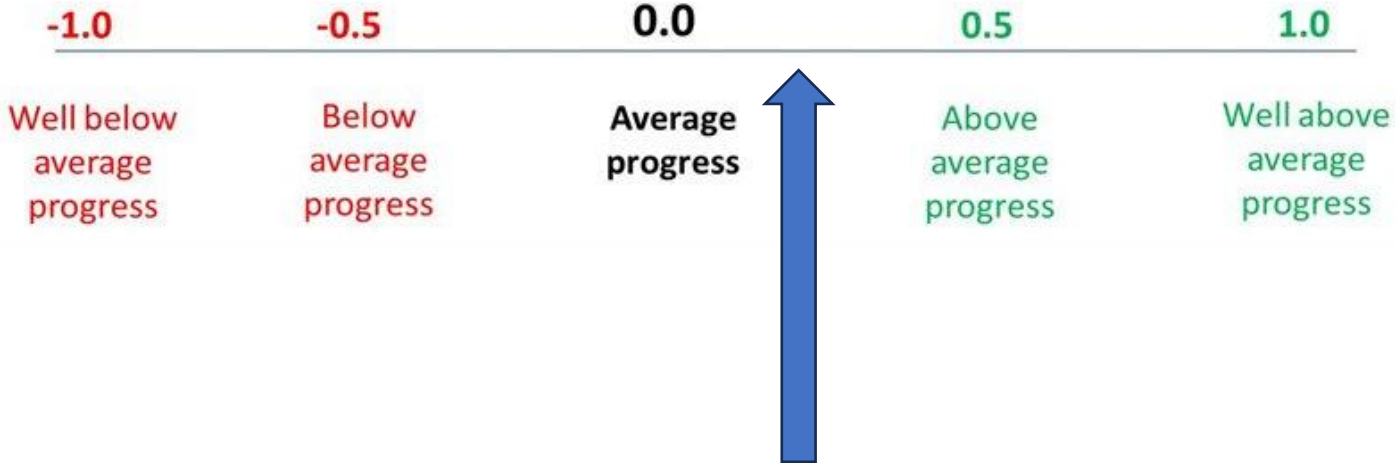


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Class of 2023 – Our best yet

Progress 8 Scores

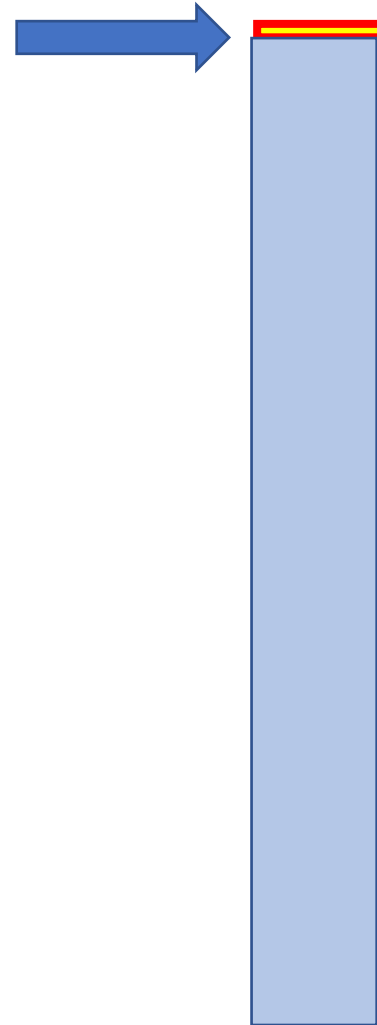


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Where has the time gone?

- Final stages of their time at secondary school!!!



Key dates

70 SCHOOL
DAYS!!!



Support for students in GCSEs 2024 - Ofqual

- GCSE Maths, Physics and Combined Science – Physics will be given equation sheets (same as those used in 2023).
- Exams will cover the full content for all papers.
- No arrangements to remove “pandemic inflation” – return to pre-pandemic standards and grade distribution.
- Gaps between exam papers have been reduced.



How do we support our students through the exam season?

- 30 minute revision workshops every morning in term 3
- Feb half term and Easter revision school
- Restructured, personalised Year 11 timetable focused around booster sessions and pre-exam briefings
- Morning booster sessions starting at 8am with breakfast provided
- Wellbeing and anxiety workshops.

January 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 ★	20 ★	21 ★	22 ★	23 ★	24
25	26 ★	27 ★	28 ★	29 ★		

THE 6 WEEK
COUNTDOWN
IS ON!!!



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Why are the mock examinations so important?



They provide teachers with KEY information about progress



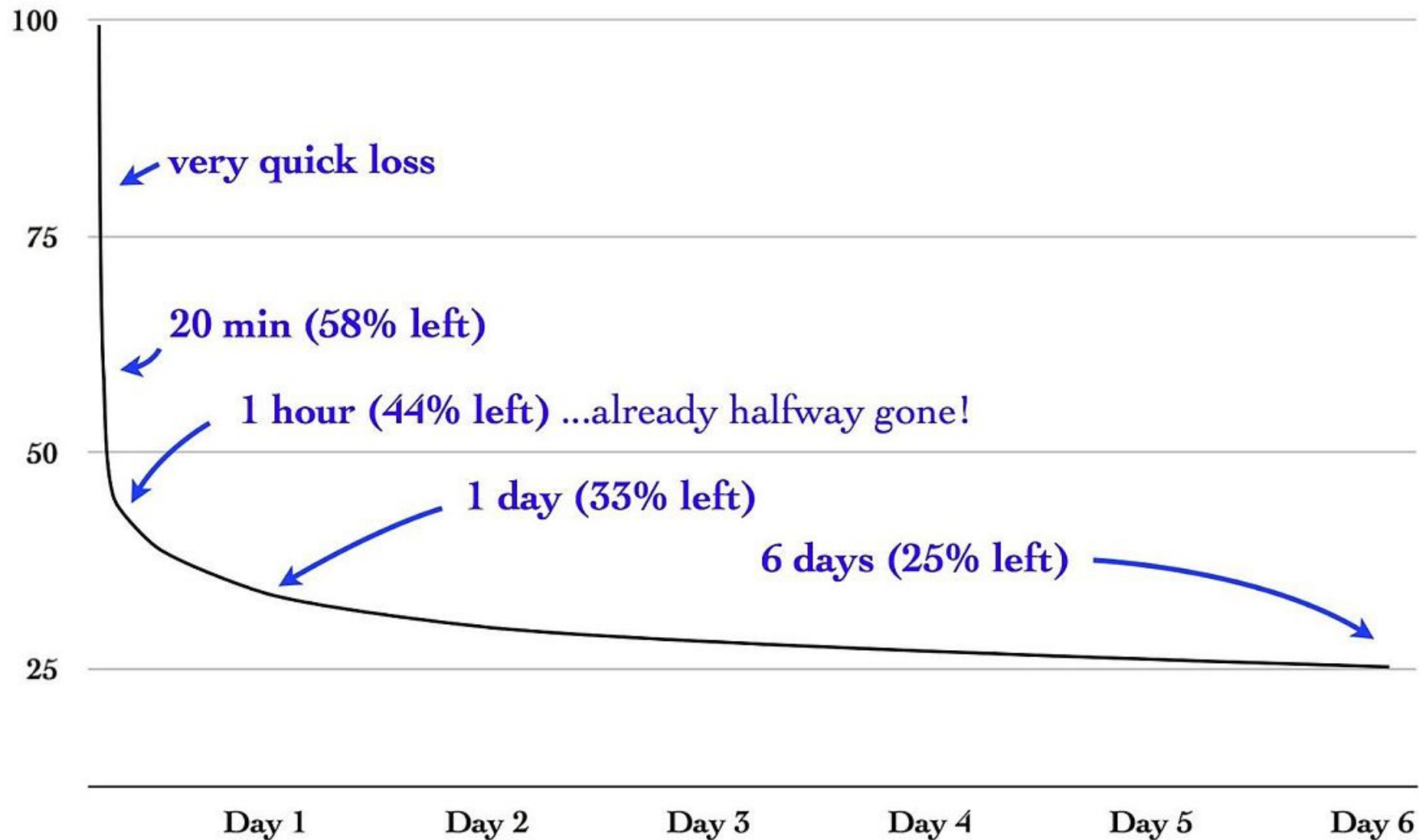
They support applications to the next steps



They encourage students to start revising now and not leave everything to the last minute

Ebbinghaus' Forgetting Curve

(How much of something do we forget each day?)



What does this mean for our students' revision?

- They need to recap knowledge/content regularly in order to retain it for the exams
- They have just over **4 school weeks** until their mocks and just over **14 school weeks** until the summer exams – they need to start investing the time and resources
- They should be sticking to a revision plan...from NOW!



Handwritten notes on a slide:

QUESTION	ANSWER
What type of foods that include a lot of sugar and fat?	Carbohydrates
What type of energy is stored in the body?	ATP
What type of energy is used to power the body?	ATP
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How long should students spend revising?

The Pomodoro Technique

1

Decide on the task to be done.

2

Set the timer to **25 minutes**.

3

Work on the task until the timer rings.

4

Take a short 5 minute **break**.

5

Take a 15-30 minute **break**.

repeat 4 times

Date:		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
MORNING	7-8							
	8-9							
	9-10							
	10-11							
	11-12							
AFTERNOON	12-1							
	1-2							
	2-3							
	3-4							
	4-5							
	5-6							
EVENING	6-7							
	7-8							
	8-9							

How to make a revision timetable

Date:		8 th Jan	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
MORNING	7-8								
	8-9	[Blue block]	[Blue block]	[Blue block]	[Blue block]	[Blue block]	[Blue block]	Geog P2	Swimming
	9-10							PE	
	10-11							Chemistry	
	11-12							Tesco	Maths
12-1	D							D	
AFTERNOON	1-2							playdate	Swimming
	2-3							Party	
	3-4								
	4-5	SLT	Biology				Café		French
	5-6		Maths			PRE			
EVENING	6-7	Eng Lang	F P/T	Geog P1				Physics	Eng Lit
	7-8	French				Eng Lit		H & C	
	8-9								

STEP 1:

When can't your revise

STEP 2:

Allocate time to each topic in each subject

STEP 3:

Add in extra where needed

STEP 4:

Leave down time!

STAGES OF REVISION

- **STEP 1: Make and collate your revision materials**
 - collect all the resources you need – checklists/revision guide/knowledge organisers/summarise information
- **STEP 2: ACTIVE revision via spaced repetition**
- **STEP 3: Practice application**
 - Using PPQ or online programmes (e.g. Sparx maths, Seneca, Educake)

Most effective revision takes place when...



Active revision techniques

- MIND MAPS: [Revision Strategies #1 - Mindmaps \(youtube.com\)](#)
- FLASHCARDS: [HOW TO MAKE THE PERFECT FLASHCARDS/ REVISION CARDS | Floral Sophia – YouTube](#); [How to study flashcards using the Leitner system \(youtube.com\)](#)
- SELF QUIZZING / LOOK COVER WRITE CHECK: [Look, Cover, Write, Check - YouTube](#)
- SPARX MATHS / EDUCAKE / SENECA



Study techniques to avoid!!

- Common “revision” techniques that students use:
 - Reading textbook/revision guide
 - Mnemonics
 - Colouring stuff in
- These are all common...but incredibly ineffective! This is because they are PASSIVE – the most effective techniques require you to process the information i.e. think about it!

Making sure students are ready to revise



Key information and where to find it...

The screenshot shows the website for The Dean Academy. The browser address bar displays <https://thedeanacademy.org/year-11-curriculum-progress/>. The site logo, 'THE DEAN ACADEMY', is centered at the top. A blue navigation bar contains the following menu items: HOME, ABOUT US, CURRICULUM, STUDENTS, PARENTS, STAFF, NEWS, CONTACT US, and a search icon. The 'CURRICULUM' menu is expanded, showing a list of subjects: REMOTE LEARNING STRATEGY (with a red 'READ HERE' button), OVERVIEW, HOMEWORK, BEYOND WORDS, KEY STAGE 4 COURSES, YEAR 11 CURRICULUM & PROGRESS (highlighted with a red arrow), ART, DESIGN AND PRODUCTION, COMMUNICATIONS, COMPUTING, LEARNING SUPPORT, MATHS, PE, PERFORMING ARTS, and SCIENCE. The main content area is titled 'Year 11 Curriculum' and includes an 'Introduction' section with text such as 'Hi wonderful Year 11s! Welcome!' and 'I truly believe that every single one of you can succeed...'. To the right, there is a 'Latest News' section with a 'MOCKS' sub-section and a 'Mock Exam Timetable' button with a dropdown arrow.

CORE SUBJECT INFORMATION

Director of English: Mr Osborne

Director of Maths: Ms Weaver

Director of Science: Mr Webb



English Language AQA

Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing (50%)	Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives (50%)	Non-examination Assessment: Spoken Language (PASS/FAIL)
<p><u>Section A: Reading</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One 20th or 21st Century literature fiction text <p><i>Students will answer 4 questions on an extract.</i></p> <p><u>Section B: Writing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Descriptive or narrative writing <p><i>Students will use a visual prompt to create a piece of narrative or descriptive writing.</i></p>	<p><u>Section A: Reading</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One non-fiction 19th Century text and one literary non-fiction 20th or 21st Century text <p><i>Students will answer 4 questions on two extracts.</i></p> <p><u>Section B: Writing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing to present a viewpoint <p><i>Students are given a statement to prompt them to write a piece of non-fiction writing (e.g. article, speech, etc.)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presenting Responding to questions and feedback Use of standard English <p><i>Please note this does not count toward the GCSE and students will receive a separate (ungraded) certificate.</i></p>

English Literature AQA

FEB MOCK

Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th century novel (40%)

- Shakespeare- Macbeth
- The 19th century novel- A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

Section A- Shakespeare: They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the play and then to write about the play as a whole.

Section B- The 19th century novel: They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the novel and then to write about the novel as a whole.

Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry (60%)

- Modern texts – An Inspector Calls
- Poetry – Power & Conflict Collection
- Unseen poetry

Section A Modern Texts: Students will answer one essay question from a choice of two on their studied text.

Section B Poetry: Students will answer one comparative question on one named poem printed on the paper and one other poem from their chosen anthology cluster.

Section C Unseen poetry: Students will answer one question on one unseen poem and one question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem.

English Literature & Language AQA

GCSE Set Texts:

- **Macbeth** by William Shakespeare
- **An Inspector Calls** by J.B.Priestley
- **A Christmas Carol** by Charles Dickens



Recommended Revision guides include:

- **CGP GCSE English Macbeth: The Text Guide***
- **CGP GCSE English An Inspector Calls: The Text Guide***
- **CGP GCSE English A Christmas Carol: The Text Guide***
- **CGP GCSE English Power & Conflict Poetry***
- **CGP GCSE English Unseen Poetry***
- **CGP AQA English Language**



Maths

Tier	Topic area	Weighting
Foundation	Number	22 - 28%
	Algebra	17 - 23%
	Ratio, Proportion and Rates of change	22 - 28%
	Geometry and Measures	12 - 18%
	Statistics & Probability	12 - 18%
Higher	Number	12 - 18%
	Algebra	27 - 33%
	Ratio, Proportion and Rates of change	17 - 23%
	Geometry and Measures	17 - 23%
	Statistics & Probability	12 - 18%

- Three 1.5hr exams
- Paper 1 non-calculator
- Paper 2 and 3 calculator
- Pupils must have their own scientific calculator
- All topic areas will be covered in all three papers
- Edexcel

Maths mock

- Detailed topic lists are on Class Charts with links to the corresponding Sparx maths codes.
- Best way to revise maths is to do questions. Complete questions, mark them. If they are correct, they can do it move onto the next topic. If they are wrong, check notes, watch a video, work on the topic on Sparx and then complete more questions.
- Flash cards can be helpful to remember key definitions or formula.

Science – Trilogy Combined & Triple

- 6 exams :
 - Trilogy – 1hr 15 mins
 - Triple - 1hr 45 mins
- AQA exam board

FEB MOCK – paper 2s (Biol, Chem & Phys)

- **MATHS SKILLS:** 10% Biology, 20% Chemistry, 30% Physics
- **REQUIRED PRACTICALS:**
 - Trilogy: 7 Biology, 6 Chemistry, 8 Physics
 - Triple: 10 Biology, 8 Chemistry, 10 Physics

BIOLOGY 1	CHEMISTRY 1	PHYSICS 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cell Biology • Organisation • Infection & Response • Bioenergetics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atomic Structure & the Periodic Table • Bonding • Quantitative Chemistry • Chemical Changes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy • Electricity • Particle model of matter • Atomic Structure
BIOLOGY 2	CHEMISTRY 2	PHYSICS 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeostasis & Response • Inheritance, Variation & Evolution • Ecology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rate & extent of chemical change • Organic chemistry • Chemical analysis • Chemistry of the atmosphere • Using resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forces • Waves • Magnetism and Electromagnetism • Space



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Time for Questions



If you have any further questions at all about the mock or summer examinations or anything in this presentation please contact me

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