



Year 10 Parents

Information and Guidance 2021



Our Mission Statement:

Thornleigh Salesian College is a community rooted in faith in Jesus, where all are valued, loved and cherished so they can aspire for academic excellence in an atmosphere of compassion and forgiveness which seeks to reach out in service and gratitude.

Agenda:

- Who's who
- Key Expectations
- Key dates
- Curriculum and examinations
- Homework
- Work experience

Year 10 Key Staff

Mr Whitehead– Year Leader

Mrs Salisbury – Assistant Year Leader

- A- L Joyce
- B -P Woods
- G - M Finlay
- D - H Mitha
- K- L Inman
- T -S Hodson
- S -L Grundy
- O- S Lukes
- L - A Whittle/ Z Pierce

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Message from Mr Whitehead



Key Expectations

1. Travel safely and responsibly to and from school
2. Mobile phones switched off and in bags before arriving at school and until leaving school gate
3. Wear uniform correctly at all times (including plain black coat, shoes and lanyard)
4. Be organised. bring all the correct equipment needed for the school day
5. Use Satchel One to manage homework and complete all homework to best standard
6. Participate willingly in lessons and push themselves to reach their potential
7. Get involved in school life – Clubs, Sports, Drama, Music, Councils and Assemblies
8. Treat all members of our school community with respect at all times (RUAH)
9. No piercings, jewellery, fake nails, extreme haircuts (grade 3+) or shaved lines. All hair must be one natural colour. FULL GUIDANCE CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE

Key Dates:

- Parents Evening : Tuesday 8th February
- Year 10 IAG: 6pm Wednesday 30th March
- PPE Week: 19th – 22th April
- Work Experience : 27th June-1st July

Key Stage 4 Curriculum

Core Curriculum

- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Combined Science
- Religious Studies

Option Curriculum

- History
- Geography
- Spanish
- Computer Science

Option Curriculum

- Art
- Business
- Child Development-BTEC
- Construction-BTEC
- Dance-BTEC
- Food
- Graphics
- ICT BTEC

Option curriculum

- Photography
- Health and Social-BTEC
- Music
- PE
- Product Design
- Sport-BTEC

Curriculum for Life – PSHCE RSE CAREERS

Curriculum for Life

- Delivered by the form tutor
- 2 x 30-minute lessons during form time each week
- Topic 1: Prejudice & Discrimination (Term 1A)
- **Term 1B & 2A will be focused on Careers**
- Topic 2: Health and Well-being (Term 2B)
- Topics 3 Living in the Wider World (Term 3A)
- Topic 4 RSE (Relationship and sex education) (Term 3B)

GCSE ENGLISH

- In English all students will follow EDUQAS GCSE English Language and Literature throughout the 2 years.
- There is only one tier of entry for both qualifications.
- Both qualifications are 100% exam based, and each involves the completion of 2 examination papers.
- Students should speak to their class teacher before purchasing revision guides.

Revision materials including past papers, revision workbooks and videos will be available in Google Classroom throughout the year.

We have a bespoke Digital Curriculum offer online, created especially for our students by our teachers.

We highly recommend that students make use of GCSEPod.



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GCSE MATHEMATICS

- All students follow the EDEXCEL exam board

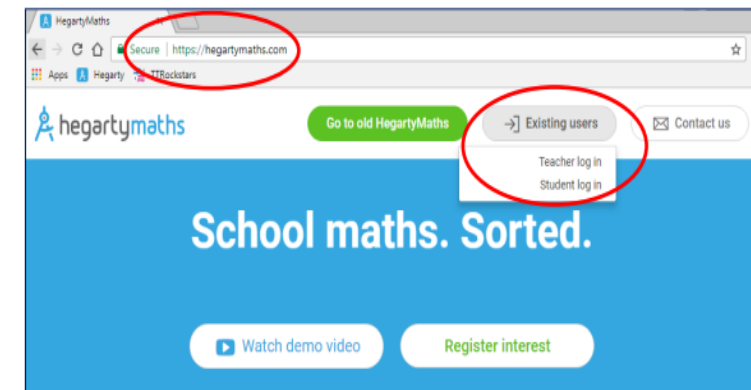
Exam Structure

- Three exams at the end of Year 11, one non calculator and two calculator papers
- All exams are out of 80 marks and are 90 mins long
- Higher tier -Grades 4 to 9
- Much greater demand in terms of content and application
- Foundation tier-Grades 1 to 5
- Much greater demand in terms of basic skills and factual recall

- HT and FT revision materials are available to purchase, but students should speak to their class teacher about this first.
- www.hegartymaths.com
- All students have a username and password for this.
- Username is first name and surname e.g josephbloggs
- Enter DOB
- If forgotten password, click reset password.

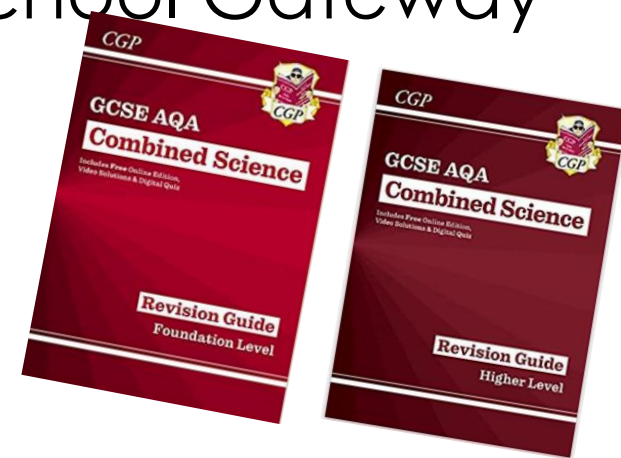
HEGARTY MATHS LOG-IN INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDE

1. Type the following into your web browser: www.hegartymaths.com
2. Click on "**Existing users**" drop down menu and then "**Student log in**"



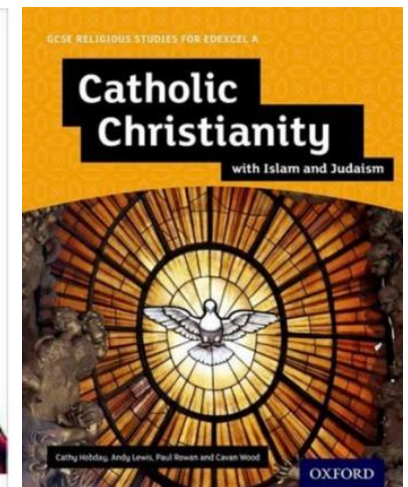
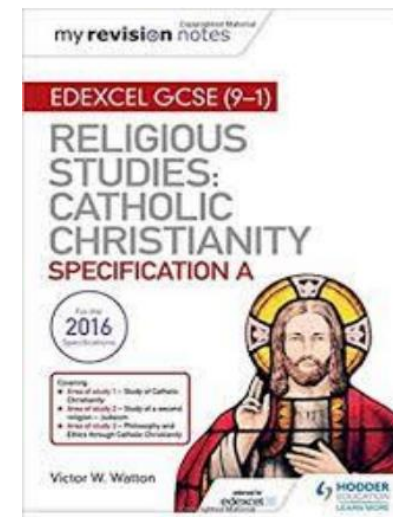
GCSE SCIENCE

- Exam board: AQA
- Specification: Combined Science (Trilogy)
- Six periods per week split into 2 x Bio, 2 x Chem, 2 x Physics
- Exams will be subject specific.
- Exams will be tiered (HT or FT)
- Grading is 2 x grades e.g. 5-5, 7-6, 4-3 etc.
- Revision guide for both tiers are available from School Gateway




GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

- All students follow the EDEXCEL Spec A exam board
- Students will sit 3 papers
- Catholic Christianity 50% *and covered in year 10*
- Judaism 25%
- Philosophy and Ethics 25%
- Revision book are available to purchase




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 **Religious Studies A:**
Edexcel GCSE
Religions →

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- ^ 1.1 Beliefs & Teachings
- 1.1.1 The Trinity
- 1.1.2 Biblical Understandings of the Trinity
- 1.1.3 Creation
- 1.1.4 The Incarnation
- 1.1.5 The Paschal Mystery
- 1.1.6 Salvation & Grace
- 1.1.7 Salvation & Grace 2
- 1.1.8 Eschatology
- 1.1.9 Eschatology 2

<https://senecalearning.com>



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Other Subject Information

- Performing Arts- Btec Performing Arts Level 1/2 Revision Book £5.99
- BTEC Construction –Pearson's Revision material Free on TES
- Design Technology - AQA Revision material Free
www.stem.org.uk/gcse-design-and-technology-resources
- Computer Science- OCR - Revision Materials £8
- Creative iMedia OCR will be sitting their exam at the end of year 10 with one resit opportunity in year 11. The exam is in June. Revision Materials £9.99
- Business-Edexcel revision material already provided
- Geography AQA Digital curriculum available on google classroom class code: m6mhwf2

Exams in Year 10

BTEC Sport – Spring term

BTEC Construction – Summer term

BTEC Hospitality & Catering – Summer term

OCR National IT – Summer term

Homework

Type-A Homework at KS4	Number of homework's	Duration of each piece of homework
English / Maths	Up to 2 per week	30-45 mins
All other subjects <i>*Bio/Chem/Physics treated as separate</i>	1 per week	30-45 mins

Type-B Homework at KS3 and KS4	Number of homework's	Duration of each piece of homework
All subjects	1 per half term	60 mins +

- All homework instructions onto Satchel One (Show My Homework)
- 2 days between setting and submission.
- Homework may involve students completing tasks on their individual class Google Classrooms.

Careers Programme Y10

In year 10 we want students to be aware of their options post 16, with a clear understanding of what career options might be available to them.

Year 10 students will be able to *book Careers Guidance appointments from January through to the Summer.*

In the summer term, students will also have the opportunity to gain work experience.

Students will undertake 1 week of work experience in the Summer term.

This could be **arranged by the students themselves or through the school's careers department.**

Ideally the work placement should be linked directly to the student's career aspirations.

How can you help?

We will be contacting parents to help build a network of potential employers for both work experience in the summer term and mentorship (where necessary). Please look out for an email from the school in the coming weeks.