

29th September 2020

Assessment week

Dear parent/carer,

All students will be having assessments in all of their lessons from the **19th October until the 6th November.** These assessments will assess what students have done since September but will also contain some questions from learning done last year, for students in years 8-10.

It is really important that students treat these assessments seriously and prepare for them by doing some revision at home. A couple of weeks ago I sent a letter that explained our new homework approach, which is below:

Our new homework approach

We have introduced a new approach to homework, which has been shared with students. We have changed the homework to:

- develop the ability of your child to remember what has been taught in their lessons
- develop the use of knowledge organisers to ensure that your child learns the key knowledge
- allow your child to practise applying their knowledge and checking their understanding.

Years 7 and 8

WEEK A	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	MATHS	HISTORY	SCIENCE	MFL	REVIEW
WEEK B	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	ENGLISH	GEOGRAPHY	RE	PE	REVIEW

Years 7 and 8

Students need to go to the homework Google classroom that has been set up for the whole year group. There are four parts for students to complete:

- 1. Complete the braindump for the day. This allows students to review what they have learned in each lesson that day.
- 2. Watch the presentation for the subject that night and complete the quiz. The target is to get 100%.
- 3. Complete the stretch task (this is optional)
- 4. Find the relevant subject knowledge organiser and do look, cover, write, check. Students need to complete one page in their homebooks. This should be a mix of black and green pen. Advisors will be checking this has been done each morning.

This video explains the process: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jzcKZTooKMY&feature=youtu.be

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Years 9 and 10

WEEK A	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	MATHS	OPTION A	SCIENCE	OPTION B	REVIEW
WEEK B	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	ENGLISH	OPTION C	Y9: OPTION H Y10: OPTION D	RE	REVIEW

Years 9 and 10

Students need to go to the Google classroom for the relevant subject and go to the classwork section followed by the homework sections. There are three parts for students to complete:

- 1. Watch the presentation for the subject that night and complete the quiz. The target is to get 100%.
- 2. Complete the stretch task (this is optional)
- 3. Find the relevant subject knowledge organiser and do look, cover, write, check. Students need to complete one page in their homebooks. This should be a mix of black and green pen. Advisors will be checking this has been done each morning.

As students are now doing their GCSEs, there may be extra tasks to do as well. This video explains the process: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QF8dQnUP4SQ&feature=youtu.be

I want to thank you for supporting your child with this work because it has been great to see so many students doing it every night. Obviously if your child has been doing their homework it is going to give them an advantage over the small number of students who haven't. As mentioned above, the homework is about revision. It is to help students to retain their learning. This will make assessments much less stressful because they don't have to do as much revision because they already know the information from doing their homework.

To help you revise with your child, I have attached our booklet that explains how to revise effectively. There will also be some 'how to' videos being released soon to further support you.

If there is anything further that we can help you with please use the help@tanfieldschool.co.uk email address.

Yours sincerely,

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