



THOMAS ALLEYNE'S HIGH SCHOOL
UTTOXETER

STUDENT SUPPORT PACK

YEAR 11

January 2010

Subject	Music – Head of Department Mrs L Todd
Coursework deadline	15 th May (exam board) deadline for Music department: 31/3/2010.
Exam board	OCR
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Dedicated lessons to complete coursework ★ Pupils given examples of previous coursework
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision days in half-term and Easter holidays
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision notes for each musical period ★ Terminal task example ★ List of musical terms and definitions
Key revision tips	Learn at least 5 characteristics for each genre: waltz, Powanne & Galliard, disco, bhangra, salsa, minimalism, plain chart, folk etc
Websites available	GCSE Bitesize music
Parents can help by	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Encouraging pupils to listen to classic FM & to practice on a daily basis. 2) i. Buying the following – A Student’s Guide to GCSE Music (ISBN:1-904226-02-07 Rhinegold) AND ii. GCSE Music – OCR specification CGP (www.cgpbooks.co.uk) (ISBN 1 84146788X) AND iii. Lifelines – OCR GCSE Music Rhinegold – ISBN 978-1-906178-23-9

Subject	Science – Head of Department Mrs H Faizey
Coursework deadline	30/3/2010.
Exam board	OCR – gateway suite
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Support given by science teachers in lesson ★ Catch up sessions offered after school/in school holidays
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision sessions offered in spring half-term holidays
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ None as yet ★ Past papers available at www.ocr.org.uk
Key revision tips	Condense notes. Highlight key terms. Read aloud. Do little and often. Test yourself. Practice past exam papers.
Websites available	www.learn.co.uk www.s-cool.co.uk www.scienceaid.co.uk www.sciencepages.co.uk BBC Bitesize website
Parents can help by	Encouraging preparation sticking to a revision timetable when exam dates are known.

Subject	ICT – Head of Department Mr I Cartwright
Coursework deadline	Leavers' Day – middle of May
Exam board	OCR
Details of coursework support	Lunchtimes and after school on Thursdays
Details of revision support	
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	All resources on FROG
Key revision tips	
Websites available	
Parents can help by	Supporting pupils by keeping check on progress with coursework

Subject	Child Development – Head of Department Mrs L George
Coursework deadline	Child study – resource tasks – 31/3/2010
Exam board	OCR
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Students given individual checklists ★ Coursework guides used in lessons ★ Evaluation mat ★ After school support sessions ★ Pocket posters
Details of revision support	Revision quizzes Relevant links available in child development area
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	All resources on FROG
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Ensure both parts of the essay questions are completed ★ Don't worry about spelling ★ Don't use bullet points in essays
Websites available	Not available on Bitesize
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Monitoring progress in coursework ★ Ensuring students complete visits – child observations ★ Test students using revision guide/pocket posters

Subject	D&T – Head of Department Mr T Swindlehurst
Coursework deadline	Friday 12 th February – design folder Final deadline: Friday the March – practical work and evaluation
Exam board	ICAA
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Coursework planning sheet used by all staff with marking and feedback ★ Coursework “clinic” in Feb/March for identified under-performers
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Structured programme of revision in lessons based on written and design skills needed for each section of the exam ★ Easter revision sessions
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ GCSE helpdesk folder with specific help with coursework sheets ★ Individual staff folders sorted by subject which will have specific information adding ★ Exam paperwork – past papers and information on exam themes
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Use notes from lessons combined with Year 11 mock exam paper ★ Remember to practice sketching skills for section 2.
Websites available	www.designandtech.com www.technologystudent.com
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Checking that students are practising sketching skills ★ Students use their “revision pack” once they leave for exam leave. This will contain their mock paper, any sample questions covered in lessons and practice sketches.

Subject	English – Head of Department Miss C Purvis
Coursework deadline	31 December 2009. Students can negotiate individually with staff up to 1 st March 2010.
Exam board	AQA specification A
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Targetted at students with missing pieces after school Tuesdays and Thursdays
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ After-school Tuesdays and Thursdays ★ Mrs Linney has produced timetable
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Paper 1 materials ★ Revision guide ★ More information constantly being added
Key revision tips	<p>Spelling – Try to keep a spelling notebook and keep a note of spellings which are corrected in your work. Look up the correct spelling and then write it out as practice so that you know how to spell the word next time.</p> <p>Punctuation – This can be a chance for you to show off to an examiner. Practice proof reading (checking) your work to ensure you have punctuated your work properly – then learn about some fancy punctuation and try to use a colon, semi-colon or exclamation mark to</p>

	<p>show off to the examiner that you know when to use them!</p> <p>Mnemonics – Invent words or phrases where each letter represents a key idea to remember in our exam – ie SMILE – Structure, Meaning, Imagery, Language, Effect.</p> <p>Plays, Poems and Prose (Novels or Stories) – the most important thing is to know your texts really well. Make sure you understand what is going on in the plot and that you understand the motivations and the role of each of the important characters in a text. You need to be able to recall these details easily.</p> <p>Poetry – Spend time re-reading the poems and finding ways of grouping the poems based on similarities, differences, techniques used by the writer etc.</p> <p>Reading Practice – Revise key terms such as: onomatopoeia, pun, metaphor, simile, hyperbole, alliteration, emotive language</p> <p>Organise your Writing – Revise the rules of paragraphing – think TiPToP (Start a new paragraph when any of the following changes – Time, Place, Topic, Person) and remember that they are a G grade criterion! Practice answering exam questions using the following process: COLLECT IDEAS AND PLAN (organise the ideas into an introduction, the main body and the conclusion), WRITE THEN CHECK.</p>
Websites available	<p>www.sparknotes.com – good for literary texts</p> <p>youtube – videos and analysis of poems from different cultures – put the name of the poem and study guide into search</p> <p>BBC Bitesize</p>
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Reading through answers to check for fluency and clarity ★ Encouraging students to look at non-fiction and media texts (newspapers, leaflets, etc) and discuss the language and presentation ★ Working through revision guide

Subject	Religious Education – Head of Department Mrs B Young (Acting)
Coursework deadline	None
Exam board	Religious Studies – specification B AQA short course 30602 (Year 11)
Details of coursework support	N/A
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision booklet with exam questions and A* model answers ★ Revision lunchtime sessions in room 33B Fridays ★ February half-term and Easter revision sessions
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision booklets for Year 10 and Year 11 on FROG with exam questions from 2006-2009 included

Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Use revision booklet to practice past questions ★ Use index cards to bullet point key details on topics covered ★ Learn key teachings from Buddhism & Christianity on <u>each</u> topic
Websites available	BBC/religion – www.bbc.co.uk/religion www.request.org.uk
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Encouraging pupils to do past papers and exam questions from revision booklet. Then to be marked by teacher. ★ Buy index cards to create revision cards NB <u>only black ink pen/ballpoint pen</u> can be used in exam! ★ Use websites – as above – for revision

Subject	Health & Social Care – Head of Department Mrs L George
Coursework deadline	Unit 2 – has been completed Unit 1 – provision and services due 31 st March.
Exam board	OCR
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ After school support sessions – Thursdays ★ Online support ★ Individual checklists and independent guidance
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ After-school revision sessions will be offered ★ Revision worksheets/mindmap given to students ★ February half-term and Easter revision sessions
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Checklists ★ Class/coursework powerpoints ★ Exemplar work ★ Past papers
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Applying knowledge to case studies ★ Watch programmes about health and health care ★ Avoid waffle!
Websites available	
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Check vocabulary in planner/glossary ★ Test using mindmap ★ Use revision powerpoint/papers from FROG ★ Talk through life events/family experiences they have experienced

Subject	Drama – Head of Department Miss Faughnan
Coursework deadline	Scripted practical examination to be performed by June 2010.
Exam board	Edexcel
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Opportunity for daily teacher support ★ Regular teacher feedback and regular mock examinations with targets
Details of revision support	Teacher support from Monday to Friday to offer targeted feedback for practical help
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	DVD copies of past high achieving practical work can be viewed and discussed (within the department)
Key revision tips	Students should devise a rehearsal schedule and review feedback from peers.
Websites available	Edexcel
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Helping to learn lines/reading with students ★ Providing practical space for students to rehearse and offering practical feedback

Subject	Expressive Arts – Head of Department Miss Faughnan
Coursework deadline	June 2010 – practical examination and coursework
Exam board	OCR
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Daily support from 3.05-5.00pm ★ Regular teacher feedback that is targeted
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ High achieving past performances can be viewed – available within the Drama department ★ Exam criteria will be given to all students and they can take this home to explore
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	Past performances can be viewed on DVD from with the department upon request.
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ To re-read areas of study ★ To ensure detailed coursework ★ Past coursework can be viewed by parents and students via the head of department
Websites available	
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Providing rehearsal space ★ Watching student material ★ Helping to learn lines/create & improve confidence

Subject	Geography – Head of Department Mr Washbourne
Coursework deadline	February deadline – imposed by department.
Exam board	AQA KS4 & KS5
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ FROG ★ After school sessions
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ FROG ★ Warm up sessions ★ After school sessions ★ Revision booklet produced by department available
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision sessions • Exam questions • Coursework guidance • Coursework data
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Cause-effect response ★ Link ideas ★ Describe and explain
Websites available	BBC Scool Links on FROG
Parents can help by	★ Pupils watch the news on TV or read a newspaper to keep up-to-date and create contemporary case studies.

Subject	Maths – Head of Department Mrs R Ibbs
Coursework deadline	There is no coursework for GCSE Maths
Exam board	Edexcel
Details of coursework support	
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Pre-exam revision sessions (just before the exam) ★ Ester revision sessions ★ After school sessions
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision List • Top 10 revision tips • Exam dates • Past paper and mark scheme
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Learn key facts & formulae ★ Revise little and often ★ Keep a list of what you have revised and when ★ Practise questions from <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - book/revision guide/website/past papers

Websites available	Mymaths.co.uk Login:alleyne password: triangle www.easymath.com www.bbc.co.uk/schools/bitesize
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Buying a revision guide (£3.50 from school) ★ Ensuring they are doing 1-2 hours of maths revision per week but breaking it down into 2-30 minute periods.

Subject	Business Studies – Head of Department Miss D Shirley
Coursework deadline	Departmental deadline October half-term. February half-term <u>at latest.</u>
Exam board	Edexcel
Details of coursework support	Support sessions running since before summer holidays last year. Running every Wednesday 3.05-4.05pm in room 8.
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision support will be run after school nearer the exam and during lessons.
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	Past exam papers are available in hard copy format from Business Studies office and online at Edexcel.
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Be organised ★ Do past papers ★ Watch the news ★ Follow a strict revision timetable
Websites available	BBC Bitesize Tutor 2 U BBC News Edexcel – past papers and specifications
Parents can help by	Talking to students about their experiences in industry and what is happening in the world of business (ie what is in the news).

Subject	Business Communications – Head of Department Miss D Shirley
Coursework deadline	No coursework for Y11
Exam board	AQA
Details of coursework support	N/A
Details of revision support	We have finished the scheme and are already revising. Students have purchased a revision guide and workbook. Workbook sections are homework pieces each week.
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	To be added: workbook sheets. Past papers are in a revision pack produced by students in class.
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Practice questions from the practical paper. ★ Read through section in revision guide and then complete corresponding workbook sheet.
Websites available	www.IW-Chameleon.co.uk A great bank of resources and tests for students.
Parents can help by	Ensuring that enough time is devoted to homework activities. Asking students what grades they are getting for each of the practical activities; wordprocessing, graphics, spreadsheets, databases and display.

Subject	Art – Head of Department Mrs L Derby
Coursework deadline	GCSE deadline week 22 nd February. Exam preparation starts 1 st March. Practical preparation work 8 th March. GCSEs start 26 th April (2 days)
Exam board	AQA
Details of coursework support	Daily “art club” Lunchtime/afterschool drop in. If your own teacher is not available see another teacher.
Details of revision support	Daily “art club” Lunchtime/afterschool drop in. If your own teacher is not available see another teacher.
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	N/A Past papers are in a revision pack produced by students in class.
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Keep up-to-date with work schedule arranged with teachers – USE ART CLUB. ★ Ensure all work hits the four assessment objectives.
Websites available	
Parents can help by	Referring to task sheets/feedback sheets given by teachers. Supporting students attending art club/lunch or after school sessions in exam preparation period.

Subject	History – Head of Department Mr Wallace
Coursework deadline	Friday 26 th March 2010
Exam board	OCR
Details of coursework support	Head of Department will be available after school if extra help is needed
Details of revision support	Extra revision sessions will be put on after Easter
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	Past papers will be put onto FROG over the coming months
Key revision tips	Break units into topics and revise “little and often” Put key ideas and concepts on cards
Websites available	www.schoolshistory.co.uk www.bbc/history.co.uk
Parents can help by	Students draw up a long-term revision schedule to ensure regular revision sessions.

Subject	Modern Foreign Languages – Head of Department Mrs Coates
Coursework deadline	End of April – everything must be marked, moderated, selected and administration done by mid-May.
Exam board	OCR for this year’s Year 11 (changing to AQA for next year)
Details of coursework support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Individualised clinics run by staff – ask if needed ★ Sessions provided by Mrs Clemmett and Mrs Harrison upon request or for targeted students
Details of revision support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Weekly sessions to be offered – 3.15 – 4.15pm on Wednesdays starting after February half-term
Details of Year 11 materials on FROG eg past papers	Lots of help with different exam papers, speaking material, vocabulary hep, reading material
Key revision tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revision folder available on FROG ★ Learn vocabulary ★ Rehearse all speaking work
Websites available	www.languagesonline.org.uk www.linguascope.com Username tahs Password motdepase (see additional information overleaf)
Parents can help by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Help students compile a revision timetable – check it is being done ★ Help with testing on vocabulary ★ Testing on the speaking work.