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Year 10 Assessment 1

16th November – 27th November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

Your child will sit their first assessments of Year 10 between **Monday 16th November and Friday 27th November**. We assess students at regular points throughout their time at Archbishop Ilsley Catholic School. This helps us see how well they are progressing and where they may need extra support.

All assessments will take place in normal timetabled lessons. The pages that follow set out, subject by subject, what will be assessed, when it will happen and how your child can revise. Please take a few minutes to look through this guidance with your child and encourage them to use it to plan their revision over the coming weeks.

You can help by giving your child a quiet place to study at home, checking in on their revision, and making sure they attend school every day during the assessment period.

We will share the results with you in an academic report during the week beginning 14th December.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Mr J Kenyon

Head of Year

Ms J Patel

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Subject Guidance

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The table below provides details of the assessments your child will be taking. They will receive revision material in lessons/online for these. Please ensure that they use this guide to support them in their preparation.

Subject	Date	Topics/Content/Revision tips and strategies
Religious Studies	Week commencing 23rd November	1 hour paper Revise Jewish beliefs about sanctity of life, beliefs about God and the mitzvot. Revise Jewish festival of Sukkot and Passover. A3 revision sheets have been given to all students. Origins and Meanings – revise stewardship, Catholic Social Teaching and Catholic and Christian beliefs on creation. REVISION BOOKLET – on Teams
Mathematics	X & Y will be tested on Tue 3rd November	1 hour written exam will assess topics taught this academic year. A MathsWatch revision assignment on topics being tested will be set over half-term allowing plenty of time for thorough revision. The first lesson back after half-term will provide an opportunity to ask for help on questions/topics students are unsure of. There is a video to watch under each question on the assignment.
English Language	X Band and Y Band will be tested on Thursday 26th or Friday 27th	1 hour English Language Paper 1, Question 5. Pupils will be given a picture stimulus to complete a piece of narrative or descriptive writing. Pupils have been given a creative writing homework booklet, and they will need to continue to complete the tasks as preparation for this in November.
Biology	Monday 23rd November: Monday period 3 - 10X Monday period 4 - 10Y	B1 and B2 (combined) B1 and B2 and first half of B3 (triple) AQA GCSE (9-1) Biology Revision - PMT
Chemistry	Tuesday 24th November: Tuesday period 3 - 10Y Tuesday period 4- 10X	C1: Atomic structure and periodic table The whole of ATOMIC STRUCTURE in 20 minutes! AQA C1 GCSE 9-1 Combined Science or Chemistry Revision C2: Structure and bonding The Whole of AQA - BONDING, STRUCTURE AND PROPERTIES. GCSE Chemistry or Combined Science Revision. AQA GCSE (9-1) Chemistry Revision - PMT

Physics	Thursday 26th November: Thursday period 2- 10X and 10Y	P1 Energy P2 Electricity (circuit symbols; series circuits; parallel circuits; electricity equations). Energy and Electricity equations will be tested with conversions of units (e.g. km to m; minutes to s); rearrangements; and combining equations (for Higher tier) AQA GCSE (9-1) Physics Revision - PMT
Art		**Self-Portrait Drawing** Complete a self-portrait drawing. You will need to set up a photoshoot in class and use the Grid Method, inspired by Chuck Close, to help you achieve accurate details and proportions. Then, apply realistic tonal shading. **Deadline: Monday 2 November 2026**
Business Studies	November 2, 2026	Theme 1 - investigating a small business 1.1- Enterprise and entrepreneurship 1.2- Spotting a business opportunity 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice 1.4- Making the business effective 1.5 understanding external influences on business Please use your CGP revision booklet along with all the lessons and booster booklets on Teams. Please read the model answers to help with your preparation. GCSE Business 12 mark model answers_V3.pdf PearsonEdexcel_GCSE_Business_9-mark_modelanswers_v4.pdf
Computer Science	WB: 23rd November 2026	1 hour paper **1. Systems Architecture** 1.1a - The CPU,1.1b - The Fetch-Execute Cycle,1.2 - CPU Performance,1.3 - Embedded Systems **2. Memory & Storage** 2.1 - Primary Storage (Memory),2.2 - Secondary Storage 2.3 - Units, 2.4a - Number Systems,2.4b - Binary Addition & Shifts, 2.4c - Character Storage,2.4d - Image Storage,2.4e - Sound Storage,2.5 - Compression Make sure you are using smart revise for practise and homework tasks OCR GCSE Topic List | CSNewbs
Design Technology	WB: 23rd November 2026	Revise the following topics: Work of others- designers and design companies, ergonomics, anthropometric data, sustainability, planned obsolescence, 6Rs, finite and non-finite resources, deforestation and carbon footprint
Media Studies	Week beginning 23rd November	Question 2b revise advertising and marketing (NHS 111 and Quality Street) to compare with an unseen advert.

French	2 lessons during the assessment window – students will be told exact lessons by their class teacher	Topic: Healthy Living and lifestyle 1. Writing Photo description, translations and a bullet point answer. 2. Listening and reading questions Revise topic specific vocabulary, photo description vocabulary and how to conjugate at least 6 verbs to use in this topic in a variety of tenses.
Geography	In lesson during the assessment window (Class teachers will inform pupils of exact lesson)	Revise all tectonic hazards work completed so far in class. Knowledge organisers and flash card outlines are provided.
History	Week beginning 16th November	Crime & Punishment Paper 1 – 1000 to 1700. A knowledge test followed by two exam style questions.
Health & Social Care	Students will complete a practice PSA task in timetabled lessons. This task will be seen prior to the assessment with a lesson focused on preparation before the assessment	Students are not asked to recall information for their Component 1 assessments but apply their learning. They can use their class notes and own research in their books when completing their assessment task. Attendance and note-taking in lessons, along with the use of lessons on TEAMS when absent, is essential to facilitating success.
Creative iMedia	N/A	R097 Interactive Media Product Coursework Task 1 and part of Task 2 will be assessed. Students need to make sure it is all complete by 27th November 2026.
Spanish	2 lessons during the assessment window – students will be told exact lessons by their class teacher	Topic: Holidays 1. Writing Photo description, translations and a bullet point answer. 2. Listening and reading questions Revise topic specific vocabulary, photo description vocabulary and how to conjugate at least 6 verbs to use in this topic in a variety of tenses.