

# End of Year 9 Examinations

## Examination timetable

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6
Mon 20th May						
Tues 21st May						
Wed 22nd May	9x Science		9y Science	9z Science		
Thurs 23rd May	Y9 English reading					
Fri 24th May	9z Maths Non Calculator				9x/9y Maths Non Calculator	
Mon 3rd June						
Tues 4th June						
Wed 5th June						
Thurs 6th June	Y9 English writing		9z Maths Non Calculator			
Fri 7th June		Religious studies			9x/9y Maths Non Calculator	

## Examination content and revision materials.

	English	Maths	Science	RS		
	45 minutes	60 minutes	50 minutes	1 hour 45 minutes (In the Sports hall)		
Exam/ Assessment content	<p><b>Reading</b> – You will be given a clean copy of one of the following poems and asked to write an analysis of it: Mametz Wood or Remains.</p> <p><b>Writing</b> – You will be asked to write a short story based on a selection of titles you will receive in the exam.</p>	<p><b>9X1 / 9Y1 / 9Z1</b>                      Fraction of an Amount                      Collecting Like Terms                      Simplifying Fractions                      Pictograms                      Bar Charts                      Ratio of an Amount                      Recurring Decimals to Fractions                      Percentage of an Amount                      Coordinates                      Solving Equations Involving Brackets                      Averages from a List                      Names of Shapes                      Measuring Angles                      Parallel Lines                      Faces and Vertices                      Expanding Brackets                      Factorising into Single Brackets                      Solving Equations with Variables on both Sides                      Scatter Graphs                      BIDMAS                      Combined and Reverse Mean                      Laws of Indices                      Fraction Operations                      Volume of Prisms                      Changing the Subject</p>	<p><b>9X2 / 9Y2 / 9Z2</b>                      Rounding Numbers                      Estimation                      Standard Form – conversions and calculations                      Surds – simplifying and rationalising                      Indices – numerical, algebra, and changing of the base                      Substitution                      Factorising Quadratics                      Sequences – Linear and Quadratic                      Averages                      Fractions                      Ratios                      Scatter Graphs                      Pythagoras                      Trigonometry                      Volume of Shapes                      Graphs – Linear and non-linear                      Transformations                      Percentages                      Bounds</p>	<p>You will be assessed on the crossover content from KS3 to GCSE covered so far:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Cell Biology</b></li> <li><b>Transport between cells</b></li> <li><b>Atomic Structure</b></li> <li><b>Periodic Table</b></li> </ol>	<p>Your exam will include two papers – <b>Religions and Themes</b>.</p> <p>You will spend <b>50 minutes</b> on each Paper – <b>25 minutes</b> on each section.</p> <p>Your Religions paper focuses on:</p> <p><b>Christianity</b>  <b>Christian Beliefs</b>  <b>Christian Practises</b></p> <p>Your Themes paper focuses on:</p> <p><b>Theme E – Crime and Punishment</b>  <b>Theme F – Human Rights</b></p>	
Preparation / Revision required	<p><b>Reading</b> - You will need to use your books to revise how to write a poetry analysis. You will also need to revise the following for each of the poems named above: content, context, message, language, structure.</p> <p><b>Writing</b> – You will need to use your books to revise the work you have done on story writing.</p>	<p>Look back your books to remind yourself of what you have done this year. Especially, your blue notebook which has lots of clear examples of work.</p> <p><b>How to access “Independent Learning” on Sparx Maths:</b>  <a href="https://www.sparxmaths.com/login/20230103_110459.mp4">Logging into Sparx-20230103_110459.mp4</a>                      Practise your maths online and get instant feedback.</p> <p><b>How to use Corbett Maths:</b> <a href="https://www.corbettmaths.com/">How to revise with CorbettMaths-20201118_094405.mp4</a>                      Lots of videos, textbook exercises, exam-style questions and a “5-a-day” revision programme for you to do at home.</p> <p><b>How to use Maths Genie:</b> <a href="https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/">How to revise with MathsGenie-20201118_094329.mp4</a>                      Practise Edexcel Style Exam Questions. Exam Topics, Exam Papers, all with videos and solutions to support with revision for the Edexcel GCSE Maths Exam. <b>“The best way to revise maths, is to “do” maths.” Attempt as many questions as you can and get the practise in, and reflect on what you got right/wrong and where you went right/wrong.</b></p>	<p>You should make sure you revise thoroughly for your exams using the following materials to help you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-CGP revision guides (available online or to buy from school)</li> <li>-Knowledge organisers</li> <li>-Senneca</li> <li>-Bitesize</li> </ul> <p><b>Cell Biology and transport summary</b>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sdpmVQooYS4&amp;t=8s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sdpmVQooYS4&amp;t=8s</a></p> <p>Atomic structure and periodic table summary  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bgvuxU97jal">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bgvuxU97jal</a></p>	<p>You will be given detailed revision booklets that you will need to learn. You can use the voice recordings and videos on the school website</p> <p><a href="https://www.lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk/page/?title=GCSE+AQA+Religious+Studies+Revision+Recordings&amp;pid=81">https://www.lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk/page/?title=GCSE+AQA+Religious+Studies+Revision+Recordings&amp;pid=81</a></p> <p>You can also use your books and revise from your classwork.</p>		
Equipment needed	Black pen & highlighters	Black Pen Ruler Pencil	Rubber Highlighter Scientific Calculator (for calculator paper)	Black Pen Ruler Pencil	Rubber Highlighter Scientific Calculator	Black Pen & highlighter

# Advice for students, parents and carers

## Parents and carers



Lowton Church of England High School wants to make the examination experience as stress free and successful as possible for all students.

We know that you will want to help support your child during their end of year examinations and we appreciate that exam time can be stressful for the whole family.

The following tips may further help and support your child:

### Encourage the rest of the family to help by not disturbing their revision

- Secure a quiet place for them to study.
- Encourage planned relaxation time.
- Praise their hard work.
- Emphasise the need for plenty of sleep.
- Check how they are doing by letting them explain something that they have learnt.
- Reading is unlikely to be enough in terms of revision. Encourage them to use the strategies shared on satchel one and during form time.
- Ask your child how they are feeling and how each of their exams has gone.

## Students

### Your well-being and exams

There is no right place to revise; you need to find where works for you. You might want to consider:

- **What distractions are there in your chosen place? Will they stop you from being productive? e.g. TV**
- **Do you work best when you have people around you to support you, for example a family member or a friend.**
- **Where can you work that will enable you to be able to focus in a quiet environment.**

### Exams are stressful for everyone:

- **You won't be alone in feeling under pressure about your exams, many other students will feel the same**
- **A small amount of stress can be good for you - it can motivate you to do better and to focus.**

### Ways to help yourself:

- **Go outside for exercise and fresh air.**
- **Set aside time to meet up with your friends when not revising.**
- **Give yourself relaxation time - this helps to maximise the time you then spend revising.**
- **Keep up with hobbies and activities that you enjoy.**
- **Eating and sleeping well can also help.**
- **Don't revise too late at night.**
- **Take adequate breaks.**
- **Talk about how you are feeling - this could be people at home, a friend or a member of staff at school.**