



Sandwell Academy

**Essential Guide to Y11 exam
success**



Easter

- This is not a holiday
- Hours of study
 - 25-30 hours minimum
 - 30+ recommended
- Be organised
- Revision in school for certain subjects
 - Spanish – Tues 31st and Wed 1st
 - Art – Mon 30th
- Jolie Brise (7th – 10th April)

You will have your GCSE exam results with you for the rest of your life. Be prepared to make sacrifices to ensure they are results you are proud of.



Revision planning

- Making a plan
- Keeping to a plan
- Importance of rest

Produce a list of what you need to learn for each subject



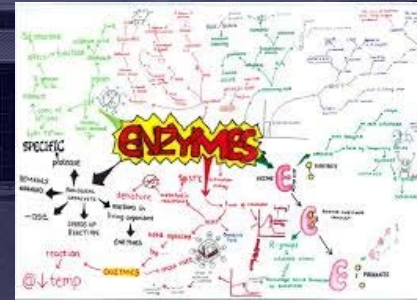
Allocate each topic a slot on your revision timetable

	Slot 1	Slot 2	Slot 3	Slot 4
Mon 30 th March Easter Holiday				
Tues 31 st March Easter Holiday				
Wed 1 st April Easter Holiday				
Thurs 2 nd April Easter Holiday				
Fri 3 rd April Easter Holiday				
Sat 4 th April Easter Holiday				
Sun 5 th April Easter Holiday				



Types of revision

- Revision guides/exercise books/BBC bitesize/On-line curriculum provide key information to learn
- Use of past paper questions
- Mind maps
- Podcasts
- Use diagrams/Acronyms



Useful revision involves **DOING SOMETHING** with the information you are trying to learn



Revision tips



- Make yourself start at the right time
- Build in breaks
- Don't leave the difficult bits to the end
- Have a tick sheet or a way of marking off what you have done to give yourself a feeling of progression
- Keep an organised work environment with notes filed in the right places
- Give your self rewards for keeping to your schedule – watch a favourite TV programme, spend 20 min on Facebook, phone a friend



Parental support

- Help produce the revision timetable
- Monitor the plan
- Creating a suitable home learning environment (Quiet, desk space)
- Ensure your child has appropriate equipment – highlighters, coloured pens, lots of paper, folders, revision guides
- Offer help – e.g. testing a student on key words
- Motivating and supporting your child



Exam days

- Know when the exams are
- Ensure lots of sleep before hand
- Ensure student is equipped
- Make sure the student is in school on time
- Reduce stress levels



What to do before the Easter holiday

1. Make sure your child has a plan of what they need to learn in each subject
2. Make sure your child has made a revision timetable
3. Make sure your child has the relevant revision guides/past papers to complete and resources to allow study
4. Place a copy of their exam timetable in a prominent place at home