



KIRK HALLAM COMMUNITY ACADEMY

Dear parent

As mentioned at parents evening recently, our year 10 students are to complete a Biology, Chemistry and Physics exam before the end of the year.

We have decided that these will be done W/C 17th June to coincide with the upcoming data point to allow us to give a more accurate account of individual student progress as well as a more accurate prediction for their final GCSE grades.

Unlike the previous set of Science exams which took place in the hall, we cannot use the hall this time due to the external GCSE and GCE examinations. This means the exams will need to be completed during lesson time, but as the exams are 1 hour 15 (each combined exam) and 1 hour 45 (each triple exam), we will need to extend some lessons, and our triple science students will need to stay beyond 3pm (no longer than 20 minutes) to allow them the time to complete the exams.

The timetable for the exam is as follows:

Exam	Y side trilogy	Y side triple	X side trilogy	X side triple
Biology	Mon. 17/6/19 Periods 3 & 4	Mon. 17/6/19 Periods 3 & 4	Wed. 19/6/19 Periods 1 & 2 *	Wed. 19/6/19 Periods 1 & 2 *
Chemistry	Wed. 19/6/19 Consolidation + period 5	Fri. 21/6/19 Periods 2 & 3 **	Tues. 18/6/19 Consolidation + period 5	Tues. 18/6/19 Consolidation + period 5 + post 3pm
Physics	Mon 17/6/19 Consolidation + period 5	Monday 17/6/19 Consolidation + period 5 + post 3pm	Mon. 17/6/19 Consolidation + period 5	Mon. 17/6/19 Consolidation + period 5 + post 3pm

***Students will be missing a PE lesson period 2 to allow the exam to be completed.**

****Students will work through break, so will have a toilet break at the start of period 2 and have a break at the end of period 3 instead.**

The content covered in the exams, which is mirrored in the revision guides, is as follows:

- **Biology topics** – 1 (Cell Biology), 2 (Organisation), 3 (Infection and response), 4 (Bioenergetics)
- **Chemistry topics** – 1 (Atomic structure and the periodic table), 2 (Bonding, structure and properties of matter), 3 (Quantitative Chemistry), 4 (Chemical changes), 5 (Energy changes)
- **Physics topics** – 1 (Energy), 2 (Electricity), 3 (Particle model of matter), 4 (Atomic structure)

Students have been given the opportunity to purchase Science revision guides and have also been given core questions for each topic to learn. Other revision resources can be found on the academy website choosing science from the subjects tab, then year 10 and revision help.

Thank you for your support.

Regards

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