



Hayle Academy

February 2024

Assessment timetable for Year 8, Monday 19th February until Friday 1st March

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we start a new half term, we wanted to take the opportunity to share with you the timetable of assessments that your child will sit during the next half term. Our assessment period spans three school weeks: Monday 19th February until Friday 1st March.

Your child will sit formal assessments in Maths, English, Science, History, Geography and French to determine their progress against our planned curriculum and to identify any areas for curriculum development. Other subjects will have been using a cumulative assessment approach in lessons to determine your child's progress against the planned curriculum.

Ongoing revision strategies will be taking place in lessons and will continue to do so throughout this period. Your support in ensuring that your child attends all of their lessons during this period is very much appreciated.

W/C 19th Feb (2)	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
Monday			8a/Gg4 RLE	
Tuesday	8a/Hi2 LWE	8a/M4 LKN	8a/Ma1 DHU 8a/Ma2 ABL 8a/Ma3 LKN	8a/Gg2 MLE
Wednesday				
Thursday	All Year 8 Science		8a/Hi4 LWE	
Friday			8a/Gg1 MLE	
W/C 26th Feb (1)	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
Monday	8a/Hi1 DTA		All Year 8 English	
Tuesday	8a/Hi3 DTA			
Wednesday				8a/Gg3 NBI
Thursday				
Friday				

The assessment information will be used by teachers to identify any gaps against our planned curriculum and will help us create a picture of your child's progress. These assessments will form part of the evidence teachers will use when reporting home regarding progress in the Summer term.

We look forward to welcoming you into school on the 30th April to meet your child's teachers and look at their learning as part of our series of open classroom events.

Assessments, of any kind, can cause anxiety and stress for students. There are many things that you can do to support their revision and the assessment period itself. Please speak to us at school if you are concerned or need advice; below are some suggestions that can help.

- Work with your child to find what revision style works for them.
- Encourage your child to take revision breaks and to find a balance between studying and doing things they find enjoyable and relaxing.
- Make sure they are eating and drinking at regular intervals.
- Encourage them to take some time after revising to wind down.
- Reassure them – reinforce that you are and will be proud of them no matter what happens.
- Remain positive and hopeful!
- Plan a treat or an activity together to mark the end of the exams.
- Set aside one to one time so that they can talk to you about any worries.
- Let them know their feelings are valid and normal, but also offer support and solutions where possible.
- Anxiety is often worst at night and this means it is useful to encourage a good bedtime routine.
- Work with them to develop relaxation techniques.
- If anxiety and stress start impacting their day-to-day life, seek help from your GP and please do liaise with our pastoral team via enquiries@hayle.tpacademytrust.org

Once again, please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have further questions.

Yours sincerely,

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