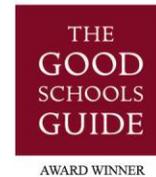




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Dear Parent/Carer

Your child is now midway through their GCSE science course, a new specification which is to be examined for the first time in 2018. Publishers have started to release revision guides and workbooks which are helpful for students when studying independently to complete homework and preparing for exams. We have reviewed the guides on offer and would like to make the following recommendation:

Set 1 (students most likely to sit triple science exams):

Collins AQA GCSE All in one revision and practice (three separate books, one for each subject which include revision notes and practice questions with answers) - **£12 for all three**

Sets 2-5 (students most likely to sit combined science exams):

CGP AQA Combined Science revision guide, workbook and answer booklet - **£12 for all three**

We are happy to order these on your behalf and pass them on when they arrive. Payment for the guides can be made either online or by forwarding a cheque made payable to Sackville School, along with the reply slip, to the finance office by **Friday 27th January 2017**. We hope to then issue students with their books before February half term.

May I use this opportunity to inform you of the dates of the year 10 exams for science, which are:

Wednesday 3rd May 2017: Biology (p3&4),
Thursday 4th May 2017: Chemistry (p1&2), Physics (p3&4)

The following work will be assessed in these exams:

Biology: Topic 1 (cells), Topic 2 (cell division), Topic 3 (transport in cells), Topic 4 (animal systems), Topic 5 (photosynthesis and respiration), Topic 6 (disease)

Chemistry: Topic 1 (elements), Topic 2 (metals and non-metals), Topic 3 (acids and bases), Topic 5 (bonding)

Physics: Topic 1 (energy), Topic 2 (energy transfers), Topic 6 (basic electricity)

As part of the PiXL group of schools, we will use these standardised tests and national results data to generate an accurate 'working at' grade, also allowing us to make a recommendation about who should consider pursuing triple science in year 11. There will be no further science exams in year 10.

Finally, a range of resources is available through our **school VLE (Google Apps)** which can be accessed via the 'students' tab on our school website. This includes powerpoint files, video clips and links to our online homework and practice software.

I hope this information is helpful, but if you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, or email me at sbush@sackvilleschool.org.uk.

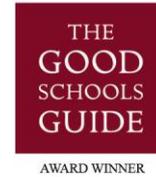
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