

How can parents support their children in KS5?



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How can parents support their child?

Each subject has provided some ideas as to how parents can support their children at home.

General revision and study help:

- <http://www.howtostudy.org>
- <https://www.familylives.org.uk/advice/teenagers/school-learning/exam-stress/>
- <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/coping-with-exam-stress/>
- <https://www.parentline.com.au/older-kids/issues/helping-kids-cope-exam-stress>

In addition parents can support their children by providing them with a quiet time and place to complete their homework. A healthy diet, exercise and ensuring that your child has enough sleep each evening is vital for their progress at school.

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Art

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Take students to Art Galleries and Museums
- Ensure they have a clear space to work in at home
- Help to resource materials and equipment needed
- Drive them to places where they may need to do observational drawing e.g the river
- Encourage them to read Exhibition reviews in newspapers and watch programmes like The Culture Show
- Buy the AQA Art and Design Student handbook published by Nelson Thornes
- Review practical work but get them to be reflective and self- evaluate rather than offering an opinion

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Tate.org.uk

www.nationalgallery.org.uk

www.npg.org.uk

www.vam.ac.uk

www.saatchigallery.com,

www.royalacademy.org.uk

sculpture.uk.com

www.sculpture.org.uk

thephotographersgallery.org.uk

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

The Art Department has a library and a wide variety of books may be borrowed for small lengths of time from the Department. Students may select books that are relevant to their individual field of study.

Biology

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

You can help even if Biology is strange to you:

- Encourage and support student to properly consolidate class work by summarising and expanding their notes. Biology is a hard subject at AS and A level where some concepts will need to be revisited regularly.
- Ask students to explain an idea to you.
- Discuss issues with the student that they have met in Biology with ethical, moral or social considerations with the aim of helping them to evaluate ideas.
- Encourage student to contact a teacher if they find a particular idea difficult.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.aqa.org.uk

www.senecalearning.com

Google Classroom Code will be provided by class teacher. This contains a link to the main biology drive.

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Year 1 AQA Biology, by Glenn Toole and Susan Toole (ISBN978-0-19-835176-4).

Year 2 AQA Biology Oxford press by Glenn Toole and Susan Toole **ISBN-13:** 978-0198357704



Business Studies

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Discuss disruptive technologies and how they are effecting the business environment.
Converse about what is being published on the BBC website.
Ensure they have a well presented folder.
Ensure they have all the equipment they need.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.bbc.co.uk/news/business
www.tutor2u.net
www.theguardian.com/uk/business
www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/

Google classroom code: Yr12; 3112r4 and Yr 13; 3Nffo0t

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA A Level Business 1 Third Edition (Wolinski & Coates) (Year 1) ISBN 9781471836091
<https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/Product?Product=9781471836091>
AQA A Level Business 1 Third Edition (Wolinski & Coates) (Year 2) ISBN 9781471836114
<https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/Product?Product=9781471836114>

Business BTEC

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Discuss disruptive technologies and how they are effecting the business environment.
Converse about what is being published on the BBC website.
Ensure they have a well presented folder.
Ensure they have all the equipment they need.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.bbc.co.uk/news/business
www.tutor2u.net
www.theguardian.com/uk/business
www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

- Pearson BTEC National Business, Students book 1, 2016 specification
ISBN 9781292126241

Chemistry

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Encourage and support your children to properly consolidate classwork by summarising and expanding their notes. Chemistry is a challenging subject at A level where some concepts will need to be revisited regularly.

- Go through the glossary of terms
- Buy an additional book to support the course such as Phillip Allen Updates (Get the Grade AS/A2 Chemistry)

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Chemguide.co.uk
Google Classroom Code provided by class teacher



TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

OCR AS/A level Chemistry A by Sam Holyman ISBN: 978-1-4479-9078-9

OCR A level Chemistry A by Sam Holyman ISBN: 978-1-4479-9081-9

Computer Science

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Buy the course textbook and encourage their child to revisit their classroom notes. Parents must encourage their child to practise programming at home. The main programming language is C#

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Google Classroom provided by the teacher.

https://isaacomputerscience.org/topics?examBoard=all&stage=a_level

<https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/computer-science-revision/a-level-aqa/>

<https://www.w3schools.com/cs/index.php>

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/computer-science-and-it/as-and-a-level/computer-science-7516-7517>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA AS and A Level Computer Science Textbook

PM Heathcote and RSU Heathcote ISBN: 978-1-910523-07-0

IDE: Visual Studio Community Edition for C# : <https://www.visualstudio.com/vs/community/>

MySQL Community Edition: <https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/workbench/>

Design and Technology: Product Design

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

It is strongly recommended for A Level Product Design students to make the maximum use of the world around them. This includes visits to museums and galleries. Where students have access to machinery and equipment at home, this is welcomed, although not essential.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.Core77.com www.technologystudent.com

Google Classroom Code = **rotgsz**

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

All students have a copy of the recommended textbook as provided by school. Main books are:

AQA AS/A-Level Design and Technology: Product Design. ISBN = 1510414088

My Revision Notes: AQA A Level Design and Technology: Product Design. ISBN = 1510432299

Economics

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Ensure they have a well presented folder.

Provide any reading material such as the economist.

Ensure they have all the equipment they need.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.bbc.co.uk/news/



www.tutor2u.net
www.theguardian.com/
www.telegraph.co.uk/

@tutor2u

Google classroom codes: Yr12 c75rxcu Yr 13 lm9d7xt

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Edexcel A Level Economics A Book 1 (Year 1) ISBN 9781471830006

<https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/Product?Product=9781471830006>

Edexcel A Level Economics A Book 2 (Year 2) ISBN 9781471830051

<https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/Product?Product=9781471830051>

Anderton Economics 6th Edition (both years)

<http://andertonpress.co.uk/how-to-buy/students-other-customers/>

ISBN ISBN 978-0-9931331-0-7

English Language

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure that your child has a folder which is well organised.
- Ensure that your child is taking responsibility for their own learning by consolidating notes made in lessons.
- Test your child on key terminology and ask them for examples.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering.
- Ensure that your child is very clear about the various NEA deadlines.
- Be a 'guinea pig' for any presentations they have to give.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

<http://atp.uclan.ac.uk/buddypress/diffusion/?p=736> Thorough exploration of the development of language and gender studies.

www.babelzine.com Babel Magazine (cutting edge research in Linguistics, aimed at a wide range of language lovers).

www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00gx2dt

1996 Reith Lecture by Jean Aitchison, a Professor of Language and Communication in the Faculty of English Language and Literature at the University of Oxford.

www.bl.uk/ The British Library

<http://college.heinemann.com/shared/onlineresources/E00654/chapter1.pdf> Link to a section on Scaffolding Literacy Instruction by Adrian Rogers and Emily M. Rogers

www.corpora4learning.net/resources/corpora.html

This page offers short descriptions of the most widely known English language corpora.

www.dialectsarchive.com/ Recordings of varieties of English around the world.

www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emag/ Emagazine is a quarterly subscription magazine, with website for A Level students of English subjects.

www.gutenberg.org/ Project Gutenberg for free ebooks

www.knowledgepresentation.org/BuildingTheFuture/Kress2/Kress2.htm | A Gunther Kress presentation on 'Reading Images: Multimodality, Representation and New Media', 2004

<http://linguistics-research-digest.blogspot.co.uk/> Summaries of recent articles about linguistics

<http://linguistics.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/english-language-teaching> A student site about multicultural London English – loads of examples and transcripts.

www.literacytrust.org.uk The National Literacy Trust covers a wide range from early years to adult literacy, but has interesting articles and details of resources for the 'Talk to Your Baby' campaign – regularly updated.

www.llas.ac.uk/resources/gpg/2827 An article overviewing the history of language and gender.

<http://technonanny.wordpress.com/> Originally available through the Teachit website, this is a blog written by a grandmother to Louise and Spike, who has been following them around with a voice recorder for over a year.

(<http://www.teachit.co.uk/index.php?CurrMenu=205>)



www.ted.com/ Relevant talks on the TED site.

www.universalteacher.org.uk/contents.htm#langa Includes a range of topics on English language for A level students.

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Recommended texts: *English Language AS & A2, Revision Express*, ISBN: 9781408206539; *The Usbourne Better Guide to Grammar* ISBN: 9780746058435; *Discover Grammar*, David Crystal ISBN-10: 0582294355

English Literature

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure that your child has a folder which is well organised.
- Ensure that your child is taking responsibility for their own learning by consolidating notes made in lessons.
- Test your child on key terminology and ask them for examples.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering.
- Ensure that your child is very clear about the various coursework deadlines.
- Discuss books, poems and plays with your child.
- Visit the theatre.
- Be a 'guinea pig' for any presentations they have to give.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/as-and-a-level/english-literature-b-7716-7717> specification

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Yr12 set texts: *Othello*, William Shakespeare – any good edition with room for annotation; *Death of a Salesman*, Arthur Miller (Penguin Modern Classics) 2000; *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*, Thomas Hardy (Penguin Classics) 2003

Yr13 set texts: *The Handmaid's Tale*, Margaret Atwood (Contemporary Classics) 1996; *The Kite Runner*, Khaled Hosseini (Bloomsbury Paperback) 2011; one poetry text (to be confirmed during the course)

Useful (not essential) textbook: AQA A Level English Literature B: Student Book, Oxford University Press ISBN 9780198337485

English Language GCSE Resit

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Google classroom code: Year 12: js965fl

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

REVISE Edexcel GCSE (9-1) English Language Revision Guide (REVISE Edexcel GCSE English 2015)

□ ISBN-10: 1447988086

□ ISBN-13: 978-1447988083

REVISE Edexcel GCSE English Language Revision Workbook: For the 9-1 Exams (REVISE Edexcel GCSE English 2015)

□ ISBN-10: 1447987896

□ ISBN-13: 978-1447987895



Film Studies

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure that your child has a folder which is well organised.
- Ensure that your child is taking responsibility for their own learning by consolidating notes made in lessons.
- Test your child on key terminology and ask them for examples.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering.
- Ensure that your child is very clear about the various NEA deadlines and has an ongoing 'inspirations' document to track ideas from the start of the course.
- Encourage students to engage in film texts beyond their comfort zone, e.g. foreign language films, art-house films, documentary films and classics.
- Encourage students to watch films to compliment the set study films, e.g. watch other films by the same director, from the same time period, by the same production company, etc.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Media Magazine (school will provide login details)

Google classroom (School will provide login details)

Exam board website: <https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/film-studies-as-a-level>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

WJEC Eduqas Film Studies for A Level & AS Student Book ISBN-13 : 978-1911208440

WJEC Eduqas Film Studies Revision Guide ISBN: 978-1912820351

ESSENTIAL REVISION FOR A LEVEL FILM STUDIES: ISBN: 978-0367634490

French

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Even if you don't speak a word of French you can help:

- Test them on the meanings of French words when they have to learn vocab or grammar
- For longer pieces of writing, ask them to talk you through the plan of their work in English before they start – to make them think about the structure of what they write
- If they are doing reading or listening, get them to summarise what the text/extract is about in English – how fluently can they talk about it? Ask them what certain words mean – how spontaneously can they answer you?

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

French news and cultural websites:

<http://www.tv5monde.com> (Francophones news and culture)

<http://lci.tf1.fr> (French tv channel)

<https://www.bfmtv.com/> (French news channel)

<http://www.parismatch.com/> (French magazine)

Learning sites:

<https://quizlet.com/en-gb>

<https://www.memrise.com/>

<http://mfl.jimdo.com/resources/french-as-level>

<http://www.alevelfrench.com/home/#.V3V3o7grLI>

Google classroom: k739xoa



TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA A Level French (includes AS) Hodder Education ISBN 978 1 4718 5795 9

Geography

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Ensure rigorous reading around topics and structured timetable or revision prior to external examinations.

- Discuss current geographical affairs in the news.
- Get them to talk through the new case studies they have learned.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

A google classroom will be set up for each year group and there may be an additional classroom one set up by their individual teachers. All codes will be given to students at the beginning of each year.

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA A level Geography, Skinner et al, ISBN 978 1 4718 5869 7

A level Geography: AQA Year 1 & 2 Complete revision and practice, CGP books. ISBN 978 1 78294 648 9

AQA A-level Geography Coursework Workbook: Component 3: Geography fieldwork investigation (non-exam assessment) by David Holmes

Fieldwork at A level: Your guide to the independent investigation by Simon Oakes

German

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Even if you don't speak a word of German you can help:

- Test them on the meanings of German words when they have to learn vocabulary or grammar
- For longer pieces of writing, ask them to talk you through the plan of their work in English before they start – to make them think about the structure of what they are writing
- If they are doing reading or listening, get them to summarise what the text/extract is about in English – how fluently can they talk about it? Ask them what certain words mean – how spontaneously can they answer you?

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

- www.deutsch-to-go.de
- www.nachrichtenleicht.de
- <http://www tivi.de/fernsehen/logo/start/>
- www.deutschseite.de
- www.deutschakademie.de
- www.brainscape.com
- www.goethe.de

See German A Level Learning Journal for many more suggestions

Google Classroom Code:kpc26h

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA German A Level Year 1 and AS, Oxford University Press, ISBN 978-0-19-836689-8

AQA German A Level Year 2, Oxford University Press, ISBN 978-0-19-836686-7

Recommended: AQA A Level German: Grammar & Translation Workbook Paperback – 14 Sep 2017
by [Dagmar Sauer](#) (Author)



History

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Even if you know very little about History you can support by:

- Helping students get their folders organised.
- Reading through the work before it is handed in.
- Encouraging wider reading.
- Testing students on key terminology and definitions.
- Talking to students about what they are learning.
- Reinforcing the importance of effective revision over a longer period of time.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

The Google Classroom Code will be confirmed in first lessons.

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Y12

OCR A Level History: England 1485–1603 Paperback – 26 Jun 2015

by [Nicholas Fellows](#) (Author), [Mary Dicken](#) (Author)

ISBN-10: 147183669X **ISBN-13:** 978-1471836695

Access to History: Democracy and Dictatorships in Germany 1919-63 for OCR Second Edition Paperback – 28 Aug 2015

by [Geoff Layton](#) (Author)

ISBN-10: 147183915X **ISBN-13:** 978-1471839153

Y13

OCR A Level History A: Civil Rights in the USA 1865-1992 Paperback – 31 Mar 2009

by [Mr David Paterson](#) (Author), [Mr Doug Willoughby](#) (Author), & [1 more](#)

ISBN-10: 0435312669 **ISBN-13:** 978-0435312664

Access to History: Civil Rights in the USA 1865-1992 for OCR Paperback – 29 Jul 2016 by [Nicholas Fellows](#) (Author), [Mike Wells](#) (Author)

ISBN-10: 1471867889 **ISBN-13:** 978-1471867880

IT Cambridge Technical

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Proof read their child's coursework tasks
- Read through and discuss the task/feedback with their child, so they understand what they need to do
- Go through their assignment booklets and help plan what they need to do, order/structure the document
- Encourage students to read widely around the topics when at home

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

<http://www.mekabay.com/infosecmgmt/mgrguidesec.htm>

<https://www.slideshare.net/r2financial/the-importance-of-risk-management-in-business>

<https://www.forbes.com/consent/?toURL=https://www.forbes.com/sites/jacobmorgan/2014/05/13/simple-explanation-internet-things-that-anyone-can-understand/#662c02c91d09>

<https://www.goldmansachs.com/insights/pages/iot-meets-everything.html>

<https://m.wikihow.com/Do-a-Feasibility-Study>

<https://sproutsocial.com/insights/social-media-and-business/>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Cambridge Technicals Level 3 IT



Authors: Victoria Ellis, Graham Manson, Sandra Middleton, Maureen Everett
£25.99
ISBN 9781471874918

Law

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN

- Ensure students are organised and have the right equipment for the lessons.
- Ensure the students know which topics they are learning and are up to date with their PLC's.
- Ensure that assessment feedback is thorough and the student knows how to improve.
- Ensure that all set work is handed in on the deadline date.
- Ensure that students are revising for upcoming assessments.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Web addresses:

- <http://www.thelawbank.co.uk/>
- <https://sixthformlaw.info/>
- <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/law/as-and-a-level>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news>

Google Classroom Code: gkvabxs

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA A-Level Law for Year1/AS ISBN: 9781510401648

AQA A-Level Law for Year 2 ISBN: 9781510401747

Revision - Law of Tort Study Book for AQA A-Level Law

Mathematics

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure your child catches up on any work missed.
- Ensure that your child is taking responsibility for their own learning by completing plenty of practice questions.
- Research course requirements for further study after A level and discuss these.
- Encourage your child to have a revision plan.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering. (Let them teach you!)
- Ensure students have correct equipment for lessons that include: calculator of required specification and text books.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.mymaths.co.uk

www.kangaroomaths.co.uk

www.nrich.org.uk

www.s-cool.co.uk

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

The four essential text books for the course are as follows:

Year 1:

- Edexcel AS and A level Mathematics Pure Mathematics Year 1/AS Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183398)



- Edexcel AS and A level Mathematics Statistics & Mechanics Year 1/AS Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183282)

Year 2 (study begins end of Year 12):

- Edexcel A level Mathematics Pure Mathematics Year 2 Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183404)
- Edexcel A level Mathematics Statistics & Mechanics Year 2 Textbook (ISBN 9781446944073)
- The same publisher (Pearson) and others publish other resources such as work books and revision guides which students may find helpful, but are not required.

Further Mathematics

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure your child catches up on any work missed.
- Ensure that your child is taking responsibility for their own learning by completing plenty of practice questions.
- Research course requirements for further study after A level and discuss these.
- Encourage your child to have a revision plan.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering. (Let them teach you!)
- Ensure students have correct equipment for lessons that include: calculator of required specification and text books.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

<http://furthermaths.org.uk/>
www.mymaths.co.uk
www.kangaroomaths.co.uk
www.nrich.org.uk
www.s-cool.co.uk

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Year 1:

In addition to the three Year 1 books for A-level Mathematics, students will need:

- Edexcel AS and A level Further Mathematics Core Pure Mathematics Book 1/AS Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183336)
- Edexcel AS and A level Further Mathematics Further Statistics 1 Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183374)
- Edexcel AS and A level Further Mathematics Further Mechanics 1 Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183312)
- Further Mathematics students will also need to purchase the three books for the second year of the A-level maths course part way through the first year of study.

Year 2

- Edexcel A level Further Mathematics Core Pure Mathematics Book 2 Textbook + e-book (ISBN 9781292183343)

Using and Applying Mathematics

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure your child catches up on any work missed.



- Ensure that your child is taking responsibility for their own learning by completing plenty of practice questions.
- Encourage your child to have a revision plan.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering. (Let them teach you!)
- Ensure students have correct equipment for lessons that include: calculator of required specification and text books.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Core Maths Support Programme <https://www.stem.org.uk/core-maths>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA Mathematical Studies Student Book (Oxford University Press) ISBN: 9780198365938

Recommended:

AQA Mathematical Studies Workbook: Level 3 Certificate ISBN 9780198417095

Mathematics GCSE Resit

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

A high grade in GCSE Mathematics is not within everyone's reach, but with hard work and a proactive approach we have seen students increase their grade significantly over their year 11 result. Parents can support their child to have a positive and "can do" attitude towards mathematics.

- Read through questions with your child and encourage them to pick out information needed to answer it.
- Provide your child with a revision guide and help them plan their revision.
- Encourage them to talk through topics and explain what they are currently covering. (Let them teach you!)
- Look at your child's work on a regular basis so that you can see their progress.
- Help your child if you can but please annotate any help given by writing a note/comment in their exercise book.
- Ensure students have correct equipment for lessons .
- Ensure your child catches up on any work missed.
- Functional Skills: Get your child to relate Mathematics to real life eg: percentages and best buys in shops. Any DIY projects get your child to estimate and measure. Read paper/watch news for interest rates.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

[BBC Bitesize GCSE Mathematics](#)

[MyMaths](#)

[PiXL Math App](#)

[Kerboodle](#) (on-line text book)

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Edexcel GCSE Maths Foundation Student Book ISBN 978-0198351504



Music

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Encourage regular practice at home.
- Encourage them to perform in front of family and friends.
- Encourage participation in concerts and performances both inside and outside of school.
- Ask them to read their composition plans to you and to justify how and why their ideas meet the given brief.
- Ask them to play any initial melody ideas to you - even if you are not musical, you will be able to tell if these ideas are coherent enough to sound like a tune!
- Ask them to talk about where they got their compositional influences from.
- Test them on their musical vocabulary and ask them to describe the main points of interest from each of the set works.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Music writing software (e.g. Sibelius, Musescore)

Google Classroom Code: lq3le4e

<https://www.musictheory.net/>

<https://www.classicfm.com/>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Edexcel AS/A level Anthology of Music (2016) ISBN: 9781292118369

Mrs D's Harmony Workbook (available from www.harmonyworkbook.co.uk)

Edexcel AS and A Level Music Study Guide ISBN: 9781785581694

Edexcel A Level Music Revision Guide ISBN: 9781785581724

Philosophy and Ethics

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Ensure students have a well-organised folder containing all of their classwork, sorted into a logical order that is easily accessible and go through your child's Personalised Learning Checklists with them to talk through which elements of the specification they need to revisit
- Discuss philosophical questions and ethical issues with your child (e.g. views about euthanasia or business ethics– encourage students to 'teach' you what they have learnt)
- If possible, encourage access to the course textbooks or encourage students to borrow textbooks during their study periods. All can be found in the cupboards of G7 and G2.
- Discuss with students their progress, particularly their performance on milestone assessments.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Students must be regularly using our Google classrooms pages:

Philosophy: hwfwwok

Ethics: ttvieej

Buddhism: jb544iw

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

Philosophy and Ethics:

- Philosophy revision guide: My Revision Notes OCR A Level Religious Studies: Philosophy of Religion by Waterfield and Ayre
- Ethics revision guide: My Revision Notes OCR Religious Studies Religion and Ethics by Waterfield and Ayre
- OCR A level Religious Studies – Year 1 by Wilkinson, Wilcockson and Campbell (ISBN: 9781471866692)
- OCR A level Religious Studies- Year 2 by Wilkinson, Wilcockson and Campbell (ISBN: 9781471866746)



Buddhism

- An Introduction to Buddhism: Teachings, History and Practice by Peter Harvey
- Buddhism: A Students Approach to World Religion (A Student's Guide to World Religions) by Denise Cush

Physical Education

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Encourage your child to get actively involved in sport and activities to promote a healthy lifestyle.
- Discuss relevant issues with your child, for example sport and the media.
- Listen to your child's observation analysis to help with their oral assessment.
- Ensure you child is actively involved in the activities they will be assessed in.
- Support your child with their practical coursework but reading it through for them and asking questions.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Psychology 84wc4i

Social cultural 4ivl43

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

PE FOR A LEVEL YEAR 1, Includes AS.

John Honeybourne, Sarah Powell

Hodder Education – Learn More

ISBN: 9781471851735

PE FOR A LEVEL YEAR 2.

John Honeybourne, Sarah Powell

Hodder Education – Learn More

ISBN: 9781471851742

Highly recommended - [My Revision Notes: OCR A Level PE](#) by Keri Moorhouse

ISBN-13: 978-1510405219

Physics

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Physics is a hard subject at A level where some concepts will need to be revisited regularly. You can help even if Physics is all Greek to you:

- Encourage and support your children to properly consolidate classwork by summarising and expanding their notes.
- Go through the glossary of terms section
- Buy an additional textbook to support the course such as Collins (Physics Advanced Science)

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Log on to google classroom using the code gt16by to gain access to the Physics website

<https://sites.google.com/maidenerleghschools.co.uk/maiden-erlegh-school-physics-d/home>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA Physics, A LEVEL YEAR 1 AND AS (year 12), by Jim Breithaupt (ISBN: 978-0-19-835186-3).

AQA Physics, A LEVEL YEAR 2 (year 13), by Jim Breithaupt (ISBN: 978-0-19-835772-8).



Psychology

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Please enquire as to whether your child's folder is neat and orderly. For each topic, it should contain a Personalised Learning Checklist (PLC) and a class pack completed up to the most recent topic. Please ask your child if they feel they have any topics missing and if they are not able to catch-up on the work independently or with classmates to book an appointment with their teacher for further support. Please also enquire as to whether your child has access to their Google Classroom (GC) page for their psychology group. The GC page will show all their homework assignments to date alongside deadlines. You could ask them how they have been using their supervised study periods at school and if they have been using the suggested activities posted in the supervised study GC pages (codes: Year 12: "ykbvzyb"; Year 13: "lqhnwef"). Please encourage your child to be reading the sections of the textbook that accompany the topics recently covered in class. They may have their own copy of the textbook, or they can use the digital version found here www.illuminate.digital with the username: "SYATELY" and the password "STUDENT". You may also ask them how they are preparing for the final exams, even if they seem a long way off. This will involve reviewing their previous topics and making consolidation resources, such as mind maps or flashcards; they may also choose to attempt practice exam questions which can be found in the textbook, in their class packs or on the AQA psychology website here: <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology-7181-7182/assessment-resources>

More generally, please encourage them to be reading widely to develop their literacy skills or ask them to explain to you what they have been learning in class recently.

USEFUL ONLINE RESEARCH/REVISION SITES:

- <https://www.simplypsychology.org/>
- <https://www.tutor2u.net/psychology/topics>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vo4pMVb0R6M> (a recommended psychology revision podcast)

TEXTBOOKS – (1st or 2nd edition is fine)

Year 1 – AQA Psychology for A level Year 1 & AS by Cara Flanagan; ISBN: 9781908682406 (illuminate publishing).

Year 2 – AQA Psychology for A level Year 2 by Cara Flanagan ISBN: 9781908682413 (illuminate publishing)

Sociology

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Please encourage your son/daughter to prepare for milestone assessments thoroughly. They will always be given one week to prepare.
- During the examination period, please encourage your son/daughter to work through the exam questions booklet that they will have been given. They should attempt to answer some of the questions and then discuss these with their class teacher.
- Please encourage your son/daughter to meet all set deadlines and to make an appointment with their class teacher should they not understand anything.

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

Google classroom code: u45mmau



bbc.co.uk/news

TEXTBOOKS and REVISION GUIDES

AQA A Level Sociology Themes and Perspectives Year 1 and AS. Haralambos & Holborn (2018)

AQA A Level Sociology Themes and Perspectives. Haralambos & Holborn (2018)

Succeed at A Level Sociology Book One. Rob Webb and Keith Trobe (Revision guide)

Succeed at A Level Sociology Book Two. Rob Webb and Keith Trobe. (Revision guide)

Spanish

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

Even if you don't speak a word of Spanish you can help:

- Test them on the meanings of Spanish words when they have to learn vocab or grammar
- For longer pieces of writing, ask them to talk you through the plan of their work in English before they start – to make them think about the structure of what they write
- If they are doing reading or listening, get them to summarise what the text/extract is about in English – how fluently can they talk about it? Ask them what certain words mean – how spontaneously can they answer you?

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

www.colby.edu/~bknelson/SLC/

www.espanish.org.uk/resources/

www.memrise.com/group/86780/

www.espanish.org.uk/quizlet-vocab-lists/

<https://www.duolingo.com>

www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/

www.learnverbs.com/

www.ashcombe.surrey.sch.uk/Curriculum/modlang/index.htm

www.languagesonline.org.uk

<http://oye.languageskills.co.uk/index.html>

www.vokabel.com/spanish.html

www.studyspanish.com/freesite.htm

<http://www.lightbulblanguages.co.uk/>

Google Classroom: ev4l5c3

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

AQA A Level Spanish (includes AS) Hodder Education ISBN 9781471858093

Theatre Studies

HOW CAN PARENTS SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN?

- Encourage them to see live theatre – (special discounts and occasional free offers are worth looking out for)
- Test them on the meanings and spellings of specialist concepts
- Remind them to refer to their course booklets in their folders and assessment books, where lots of bespoke handouts have been prepared for them as support
- Test them on their lines
- Ask them about forthcoming deadlines and check their progress against this



- Remind them about the AQA website, where excellent resources such as mark schemes and past papers can be found – www.aqa.org.uk

USEFUL ONLINE INFORMATION/ONLINE RESOURCES

<https://www.nationaltheatre.org.uk/>

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/>

<https://www.franticassembly.co.uk/>

<http://www.complicite.org/>

TEXTBOOKS OR REVISION GUIDES

The Glass Menagerie (Penguin Modern Classics) by Williams, Tennessee -ISBN 13: 9780141190266 - Penguin Classics – 2009

Jerusalem by Jez Butterworth ISBN 10: 1848420501 ISBN 13: 9781848420502