



Parklands High School

# Planning for Success

Subject Overview

*Learn - Respect - Aspire - Achieve*

*Subject:* **Art**

*Key Dates:*

Coursework deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2010

Controlled test (Exam)

- ▶ 4 week prep period 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010 (provisional)
- ▶ 10 hours practical exam mid March

*Equipment Needed:*

General art materials  
Coursework sketchbook (provided)  
Exam sketchbook (provided)

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

Individual research is crucial to work development. This depends on chosen themes.

*Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **40%**

*Coursework:* **60%**



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*Subject:* **Design & Technology – Graphic Products**  
**Design & Technology - Resistant Materials**

*Key Dates:*

Coursework folder should be under way now. Some of the folder work such as the 'Evaluation' and 'Changes/modifications' sections will not be completed until after the practical work is done but the main part of the folder including all research and design work should be finished before Christmas.

Deadline for completion of practical work and remainder of folder is Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010.

Pupils are encouraged to stay behind after school for one hour per week to get individual help with coursework by arrangement with the appropriate member of staff. All pupils should also spend at least one hour per week homework time on this option. They should always have something to do for their coursework folder with regard to research, design work or improving the general presentation of their work.

*Equipment Needed:*

Drawing equipment; pens, pencils, coloured pencils  
All other practical equipment will be provided by school

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

Revision materials available on [www.technologystudent.com](http://www.technologystudent.com)  
Lonsdale revision guide for Graphic Products  
Lonsdale revision guide for Resistant Materials

*Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **40%**

*Coursework:* **60%**

*Useful websites:*

[www.technologystudent.com](http://www.technologystudent.com)  
[www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design)



*Subject:* **Drama**

*Key Dates:*

Pupils will complete a practical performance to an external moderator and be required to complete accompanying coursework. Dates for the practical performance and final submission of coursework will be provided.



The Terminal Written paper is taken in June. Exact Date to be confirmed.

Pupils will need to study *Animal Farm* and *The Crucible* for Section 1 and will be required to write a critical response to a live theatre performance.

*Equipment Needed:*

Set texts (a clean copy is provided by school if pupils wish to annotate their texts they should purchase their own)

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

AQA past papers provided by school, study guides to set texts, GCSE Bitesize, as much experience of live theatre as possible, notes taken in response to live theatre.

*Subject:* **English**  
**English Literature**

*Key Dates:*

Coursework deadlines:

- ▶ English and English Literature Written Coursework: Late January 2010.
- ▶ Speaking and Listening: Late February 2010

*Equipment Needed:*

Purchase of texts for Literature.

There is the option to rent the texts from school for £5.00. Letter to follow.

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

The department will be delivering extensive revision sessions and opportunities after February half term.

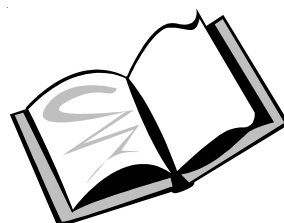
English – WJEC based revision guide published by Oxford.

English Literature - Commercially produced guides for the texts to be studied for Literature e.g. Band D publishers/ Letts / Collins. Details of texts can be obtained from English staff.

*Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **English: 60%**  
**English Literature: 70%**

*Coursework:* **English: 40%**  
**English Lit: 30%**



## *Subject:* **Home Economics Food & Nutrition**

### *Key Dates:*

Course work will commence on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2009 and the deadline date for completion 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2010.

Pupils will be expected to spend at least 1 hour per week at home on the written aspect of their work either doing research or writing up practicals.

A course work drop in session will operate each week for 1 hour and pupils are encouraged to take advantage of this.

### *Equipment Needed:*

Ingredients for practical sessions each week.

### *Recommended Revision Materials:*

- ▶ Student File
- ▶ Text Book: Food & Nutrition Anita Tull
- ▶ Revision Folder



### *Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **50% total mark**

*Coursework:* **50% total mark**

*Examination:* Higher Tier 2Hrs.  
Lower Tier 1 1/2 Hrs

This includes both practical sessions and a written topic

### *Useful websites:*

Students will be issued with one of these when they start the coursework.

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## *Subject:* **French & German**

### *Key Dates:*

3 coursework pieces by March of exam year/ at least 2 done by xmas

### *Equipment Needed:*

Need to bring to every lesson pens, exercise books & grammar sheets etc, kept in a folder which pupils need to provide

### *Recommended Revision Materials:*

- ▶ Study guide from dept at cost of £3.50
- ▶ Dictionary

Pupils need to constantly revise vocabulary and practice speaking skills

### *Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **Listening 25%**  
**Speaking 25%**  
**Reading 25%**

*Coursework:* **Writing 25%**

### *Useful websites:*

Languages Blog – Parklands High School site.  
Lots of work here including links to Linguastars etc.

## *Subject:* **Geography**

### *Key Dates:*

Final deadline Monday 29th March 2010, with completed rough draft to staff by end of autumn term 2009

### *Equipment Needed:*

Black pen, pencil, ruler

### *Recommended Revision Materials:*

Revision Guides available from Mr Ball

### *Final Grade Split*

*Exam:*     **75%**                                    *Coursework:*   **25%**  
                  **(Paper 1 = 40%)**  
                  **(Paper 2 = 35%)**

### *Useful websites:*

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/11\\_16/site/geography.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/11_16/site/geography.shtml)

<http://www.geography.learnontheinternet.co.uk/topics/index.html>

[http://www.s-cool.co.uk/topic\\_index.asp?subject\\_id=20&d=0](http://www.s-cool.co.uk/topic_index.asp?subject_id=20&d=0)

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## *Subject:* **History**

### *Key Dates:*

Coursework deadlines:

- ▶ In the autumn term, pupils will be working on their Vietnam coursework. This is a sizable piece and much of their homework will be taken up with work on it. They will be given all the materials they need, including guidance on how to write the coursework and information on the subject
- ▶ The Dunkirk coursework will be completed after Christmas in the spring term.
- ▶ All final pieces must be with the teacher before the Easter holidays.

### *Equipment Needed:*

Text books, exercise books and revision guides.

### *Recommended Revision Materials:*

There are many revision guides on the market. Revision material should be associated with AQA SPEC B – Modern World. However, sometimes these revision guides can cover more than one syllabus

### *Final Grade Split*

*Exam:*     **75 %**                                    *Coursework:*   **25%**

*Paper 1: (provisional date – 9<sup>th</sup> June – 1hr 45 mins)*

- ▶ Causes of the First World War
- ▶ 1919/1920 peace treaties
- ▶ League of Nations
- ▶ Hitler's foreign policy
- ▶ Causes of the Cold War
- ▶ Britain in the First World War (Conscription, Propaganda, Censorship, recruitment, rationing, DORA, womens' role, battle tactics, War at sea)

*Paper 2: (provisional dates – 15<sup>th</sup> June – 1hr 45 mins)*

- ▶ USA 1920s/1930s
- ▶ Germany 1920s/1930s

*Subject:* **ICT**

*Key Dates :*

Unit 1 and 21 moderation November 2009 – all outstanding work to be completed by October half term

Deadline for all remaining coursework Easter 2010

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

No revision needed but pupils may stay behind after school to complete outstanding task by arrangement with their class teacher.

*Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **No Exam**

*Coursework:* **100%**

This course can lead to 1,2 or 3 GCSE equivalents depending on the number of units completed.

Pupils cannot be entered for units of coursework if work is incomplete or not up to the standard required by the exam board.

Class teachers will make the decision about entries in the autumn term 2009.

Work is graded as follows: Pass = C, Merit = B, Distinction = A

*Useful websites:*

[www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/ocrnationals/](http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/ocrnationals/)



*Subject:* **Leisure and Tourism**

*Key Dates:*

Coursework deadline will be Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April

*Equipment Needed:*

Black pen, pencil, ruler

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

<http://www.specialistschools.org.uk/vocationallearning/vocationalgcse/leisuretourism/default.aspx>

*Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **33%**

*Coursework:* **67%**

(Unit 2 – Marketing)

(Unit 3 – Customer Service)

## *Subject:* **Maths**

### *Key Dates:*

No coursework

Modules can be taken at January, March and June and decisions are made as to when pupils have completed the work for the module and are ready for the exam.

The Terminal paper is taken in June also.

Exact dates to be confirmed.

### *Equipment Needed:*

Black pen, pencil, ruler, calculator (preferably scientific), pair of compasses and protractor

### *Recommended Revision Materials:*

using the modular textbooks loaned from maths lessons, mymaths website, bbc bitesize website, OCR past papers (booklets available from maths department)

### *Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **Best 2 modules at 25% each**  
**Terminal paper 50%**

### *Useful websites:*

See above



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## *Subject:* **Music**

Exam Board: AQA Syllabus Code 3271

### *Key Dates:*

16<sup>th</sup> July 2009 – Special Events due to Miss Booth

Solo and Ensemble Performances to be recorded by 17<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Integrated Assignment Due- Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010

Integrated Assignment Notes to be made during 20<sup>th</sup> March – 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Integrated Assignment Exam - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2010 9am – 9.30am

Listening & Appraising Exam (prov date) Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2010 1.15pm – 3pm

### *Equipment Needed:*

Candidates should have an instrument at home for regular daily practice of 30 minutes (minimum)

### *Recommended Revision Materials:*

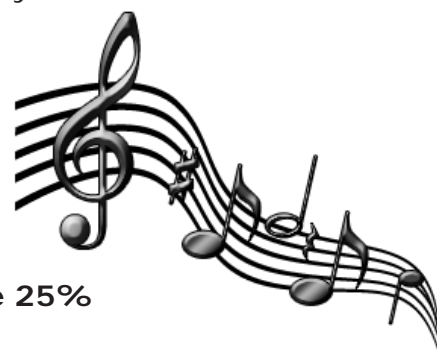
GCSE Music: AQA Areas of Study Revision Pack ( available from Music Department at £4.00)

A Student's Guide to GCSE Music (for AQA Spec) – Rhinegold Study Guide

### *Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **Integrated Assignment 25%**  
**Listening & Appraising 25%**

*Coursework:* **Integrated Assignment (part of 25%/exam)**  
**Solo Performance and Ensemble Performance 25%**  
**Coursework for Special Events 25%**



*Useful websites:*

The music department strongly recommends that pupils only use websites to listen to music or to help with music theory. Due to nature of syllabus it is not advisable to read through the history of music on some websites as information is conflicting with other exam boards.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/music/musicalelements>

<http://www.gwhite.co.uk/music/index.html>

Contact – [acapaldi@parklands.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:acapaldi@parklands.lancs.sch.uk)

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*Subject:* **Physical Education**

*Key Dates (including coursework deadlines if known):*

Coursework due in end of October 2009

Exam June 2010

*Equipment Needed:*

PE Kit every practical Lesson.

Ring binder for theory



*Recommended Revision Materials:*

Department to supply

*Final Grade Split*

*Exam:* **40%**

*Coursework:* **10%**

*Practical:* **50%**

*Useful websites:*

<http://www.edexcel.com/QUALS/GCSE/GCSE09/PE/Pages/default.aspx>

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*Subject:* **RE**

*Recommended Revision Materials:*

Provided by department near exam.

*Final Grade Split:*

*Exam:* **100%**



*Subject:* **SCIENCE**



*Key Dates:*

GCSE exams in January and June.

Various pieces of coursework will be completed throughout Autumn and Spring terms. Most of this will be done in school. (Different times for different classes so can't be more precise)

*Revision books*

There will be an opportunity to buy revision books in the Autumn term from the Science department

*Equipment Needed:*

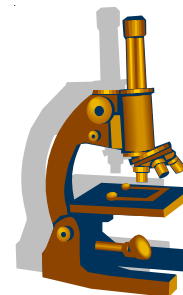
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*Recommended Revision Materials:*

21<sup>st</sup> Century Revision books – available to purchase from school at specified times.

*Final Grade Split*

	<i>EXAM</i>	<i>COURSEWORK</i>
GCSE SCIENCE	<b>67%</b>	<b>33%</b>
GCSE ADDITIONAL SCIENCE	<b>67%</b>	<b>33%</b>
GCSE ADDITIONAL APPLIED SCIENCE	<b>50%</b>	<b>50%</b>
GCSE CHEMISTRY	<b>67%</b>	<b>33%</b>
GCSE PHYSICS	<b>67%</b>	<b>33%</b>
GCSE BIOLOGY	<b>67%</b>	<b>33%</b>



*Useful websites:*

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/science/21c/>