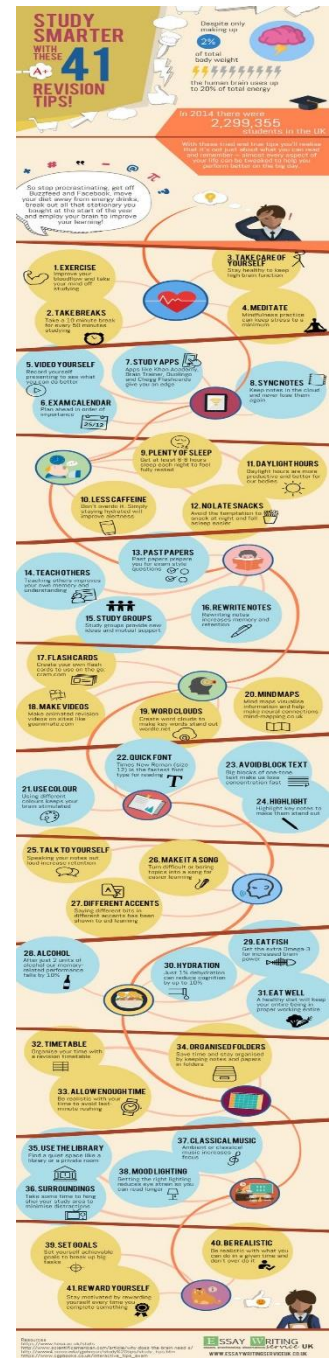


Rye Hills Y11 Newsletter September '16

Welcome to Y11!!! The next 10 months are going to be the busiest and most challenging period of your son/daughter's educational life to date. I would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that we will do everything in our power to make this time as stress free and successful as possible for both you and your son/daughter. As well as information evenings, the first being 14th September, I will be sending home these regular newsletters to inform you on what is coming and provide you with tips on how to support your child at home. Newsletter 1 provides you with the dates of all controlled assessment and pre-public exams taking place between now and Christmas. By informing you early I hope this will enable you to feel prepared and for you to ensure your son/daughter is prepared for their crucial assessments in plenty of time. In the meantime, if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the email address below. I look forward to meeting many of you at Wednesday night's Careers information evening.

Mrs Wilkinson, Y11 Coordinator.

PPEs ('Mock' Exams)				
Tuesday 29 November	English Language Paper 1		AM	1h45m
	Computer Studies		PM	1h30m
	Music		PM	1h00m
Wednesday 30 November	Maths (non-calculator)		AM	1h30m
	Chemistry		PM	1h00m
Thursday 1 December	Physics		AM	1h00m
	History		PM	1h45m
Friday 2 December	English Literature		AM	2h15m
	Business Studies		PM	2h00m
	Catering		PM	1h30m
Monday 5 December	Maths (calculator)		AM	1h30m
	Biology		PM	1h00m
Tuesday 6 December	English Language Paper 2		AM	1h45m
	Geography		PM	1h30m
Wednesday 7 December	French		AM	1h35m
	Religious Studies		PM	1h00m
	Philosophy & Ethics		PM	2h00m
Thursday 8 December	Media Studies		AM	2h15m
	Spanish		PM	1h35m
Friday 9 December	Product Design		AM	2h00m
	Physical Education		PM	1h45m



Controlled Assessment		
Subject	Class	Date
Geography	All Geography Students	22 nd September (Field Trip to York) 14 th October Deadline
Spanish – speaking exam on the topic of Self and Family	All Spanish Students	After half term
French – speaking exam on the topic of Holidays	All French Students	After Half Term
History	All History Students	All controlled Assessment to be completed by the first week in October
Music Mock Listening Paper Completion of 20 hour composing/appraisal GCSE Performance Exam	All Music Students	Week before October Half Term October Half Term Week Beginning November 14 th
Drama Practical	11A 11B	11 th and 13 th October 10 th October
Drama Written	11A 11B	16 th November 24 th November
Art Exam	All Art Students	22 nd and 23 rd November



REVISION TIPS

If you're one of a thousand teenagers revising for GCSEs, AS and A-levels, here are ten revision tips to help you get prepared:

- GO PUBLIC**
Make a detailed revision timetable and post it up somewhere so that everyone can see it. Letting other people know about your plans lightens the load and then it's not just down to you to motivate yourself.
- Question yourself**
Awaken facts through the power of questions. So when you're making notes, don't just write down "The Battle of Hastings was fought in 1066" instead, put "When was the Battle of Hastings?" in one column and write "1066" in an opposite column. Cover up the answer and each time you get it right give yourself a pat on the back.
- SWITCH OFF**
Unplug your internet connection as it's too tempting to surf the web and turn off your mobile phone (one distraction too many).
- RISE EARLY**
Facts are more digestible first thing in the morning. Start at 9am and you can get the bulk of your revision done early.
- QUALITY TIME**
Ask friends over for a revision session, with things like dates and vocabulary, it's always better if someone else is testing you, rather than you testing yourself.
- Add variety**
You may find it helpful to change from one subject to another at 'break' time, for example doing one or two sessions of maths, and then changing to Geography, or alternating a favourite subject with a more difficult one. It helps to build in some variety.
- Believe in bananas**
Eat sensibly as your brain cells need energy to function well. Bananas are rich in potassium and will raise your energy levels. Make sure you also drink plenty of water to avoid becoming dehydrated. Dehydration makes you tired and reduces concentration.
- LOOK AHEAD**
IT IS EASY TO FALL IN TO THE TRAP OF WONDERING HOW WELL YOU PERFORMED AND TO DISCUSS THIS WITH YOUR FELLOW STUDENTS. YOUR TIME WOULD BE BETTER SPENT LOOKING AHEAD TO YOUR NEXT EXAMINATION.
- Relax**
The most important thing to remember is not to panic. The remember is not to panic. The exams are going to happen so you might as well give yourself the best chance of doing well by starting to revise early and keeping calm.

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Other Dates for your Diary	
Careers Information Evening	14 th September 5-7pm
Careers Event	21 st September 5-7pm
Science re-sits available	See your Science teacher
Triple Science Controlled Assessment	TBC
Music practice composing day	25 th October
French catch up sessions	Every Tuesday Morning
Spanish catch up sessions	See Miss Lumb
October Half Term	24 th – 28 th October
Last Day of Term	21 st December

Useful links:

<https://www.facebook.com/careersatryehills/>