

# Sir Frederic Osborn School



Year 10  
Parents  
Information  
Evening



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## Purpose of the evening?

Provide you all with relevant information regarding this academic year

- Expectations of Year 10
- New behaviour and rewards policy
- Essential dates
- Exams and controlled assessment expectations
- English, Maths and Science
- Important contact details

# Old and New for this Year



What is remaining the same:

- Leadership team
- School council members
- Letters and postcards home to congratulate excellent work or efforts
- Congratulations assemblies
- Year 10 notice board

What has changed or been added this year:

- Work experience week
- 4 Assessment points, a report will be sent home at each point
- Prefects
- Behaviour policy
- Sport captains and sports ambassadors
- Students timetables – No longer in forms for the majority of lessons
- External exams and controlled assessments
- More trips

| Day        | Date                       | Event   | Time        |
|------------|----------------------------|---|-------------|
| Friday     | 11 <sup>th</sup> September | School photos   |             |
|            |                            | Early close of school due to opening evening – 1.05pm               |             |
| Thursday   | 24 <sup>th</sup> September | Open Evening  | 6-8pm       |
| Friday     | 9 <sup>th</sup> October    | INSET day   |             |
| Monday     | 12 <sup>th</sup> October   | Year 11 Revision Evening  | 7-8pm       |
| Tuesday    | 13 <sup>th</sup> October   | PSHCE Day – Well Being  |             |
| Wednesday  | 14 <sup>th</sup> October   | Prefects visit Sandringham School for a students meeting            |             |
| Wednesday  | 21 <sup>st</sup> October   | Prefects visit Sandringham School for a students meeting            |             |
| Thursday   | 22 <sup>nd</sup> October   | Assessment 1 completed  |             |
| Friday     | 6 <sup>th</sup> November   | GCSE Ethics and Philosophy Conference                               | All day     |
| Tuesday    | 10 <sup>th</sup> November  | College Open Evening at St Albans                                   |             |
| Wednesday  | 11 <sup>th</sup> November  | College Open Evening at St Albans                                   |             |
| Thursday   | 19 <sup>th</sup> November  | KS4 Learning Review Meeting based on Assessment 1 data              |             |
| Friday     | 27 <sup>th</sup> November  | Occasional Day - school closed                                      | All day     |
| Wednesday  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> December   | MOCK – French oral exam   |             |
| Thursday   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> December   | MOCK – Spanish oral exam  |             |
| Tuesday    | 8 <sup>th</sup> December   | Early closure at 1.05pm for Whole Staff Meeting                     |             |
| Thursday   | 10 <sup>th</sup> December  | Science controlled assessment                                       |             |
| Monday     | 4 <sup>th</sup> January    | INSET Day   |             |
| Wednesday  | 6 <sup>th</sup> January    | Assessment 2 completed  |             |
| Thursday   | 28 <sup>th</sup> January   | Headstart Day (MOu)   |             |
| Friday     | 29 <sup>th</sup> January   | EXAM – French oral  |             |
| Tuesday    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> February   | EXAM – Spanish oral   |             |
| Thursday   | 4 <sup>th</sup> February   | Intermediate Maths Challenge  |             |
| Friday     | 5 <sup>th</sup> February   | Science – Controlled Assessment                                     |             |
| Wednesday  | 10 <sup>th</sup> February  | PSHCE Day   |             |
| Thursday   | 11 <sup>th</sup> February  | DTP Vaccination   | Periods 1-4 |
| Friday     | 12 <sup>th</sup> February  | INSET Day   |             |
| Thursday   | 25 <sup>th</sup> February  | Assessment 3 completed  |             |
| Thursday   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> March      | PSHCE Day   |             |
| W/C Monday | 18 <sup>th</sup> April     | EXAM WEEK – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April |             |
| Wednesday  | 4 <sup>th</sup> May        | PSHCE Day   |             |
| Thursday   | 5 <sup>th</sup> May        | Assessment 4 completed  |             |
| Thursday   | 19 <sup>th</sup> May       | Parents Evening   |             |
| W/C Monday | 23 <sup>rd</sup> May       | Work Experience Week  |             |
| Tuesday    | 7 <sup>th</sup> June       | PSHCE Day   |             |
| Monday     | 18 <sup>th</sup> July      | Sports Day  | All Day     |
| Wednesday  | 22 <sup>nd</sup> July      | Celebration Assembly  |             |

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| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Thought of the Week / News Reports</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Planner signing and Accelerated Reading   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Assembly - Themed                         |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Assembly – Year Information               |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Literacy – Silent Reading<br>(until 9am)  |

# Rewards and Sanctions

- As always, we have the highest expectations of behaviour, uniform, equipment and attitude to learning. We greatly appreciate your support with these
- There are a new set of sanctions that will be applied to students who do not meet our high standards
- This year, we have introduced a new set of rewards at KS4 to motivate students

# Attendance Matters



## **EXPECTATIONS**

- 95% or above attendance
- Be on site by 8.25am at the very latest to be ready for an 8.30am start

## **BELOW UNDER 90% ATENDANCE – 1 day every 2 weeks**

- County become involved

## **PERSISTENT LATENESS**

- late three times for registration during one term, without a valid reason, then a late detention will be issued. A detention for each subsequent late during that term, will also be issued
- Attendance report will be issued, if necessary. This may also be used for persistent lateness
- Saturday morning detention and other more serious sanctions may be applied for persistent offenders

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## Rewards

- 97% and above will result in your name being put into an end of year draw for the grand prize. (prize to be decided)
- Tutor group trophies for best attendance over a fortnight
- Certificates issued for attendance at 95% and above at the end of each term.

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# Homework



- All homework recorded into student planner
- Subject staff put homework on Show My Homework for students, parents and carers to access at home
- All homework completed to a high standard and handed in on time, the B4L policy will be followed if it is not
- Compulsory homework club will take place for students who consistently fail to hand homework in on time

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## Show My Homework for Parents – A Guide

To access the Show My Homework (SMH) website for our school firstly visit the school VLE page.

<http://sfosborn.moodle.webanywhere.co.uk/>

When there click on the grey SMH banner.

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# Extra Curricular Clubs



| Day       | Lunch   | After School   |
|-----------|---|--|
| Monday    |   | Homework Club (K2)   |
| Tuesday   |   | Homework Club (K2)<br>Senior Choir (Years 8-13) 3.00-4.00pm (D2)   |
| Wednesday | Maths Clinic – all years (M1)<br>Gardening Club 1.15-1.45pm<br>Meditation/Mindfulness Club (M7) 1.20-1.40pm | Homework Club (K2)<br>KS4 GCSE Art Club<br>KS4 GCSE Geography Club |
| Thursday  |   | Homework Club (K2)<br>Design and Technology Club 2.55-3.50pm       |
| Friday    |   | Homework Club (K2)   |

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## PE Clubs

| Day       | Lunch                            | After School   |
|-----------|----------------------------------|--|
| Monday    | Table Tennis (Sports Hall) (JJB) | <b>Department meetings</b>                                 |
| Tuesday   | Year 10 Dance Club<br>Gym Club   | KS4 Netball (JS)<br>Year 10 Basketball (Sports Hall) (JJB) |
| Wednesday |                                  |  |
| Thursday  |                                  | Fitness Club (Gym) (LW)                                    |
| Friday    |                                  | GCSE PE Revision (B4) (SMI)                                |

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# Exams and Assessment Points



## Exams

\*Exams Week – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016

## Assessment points throughout the year

Assessment 1: October 2015

Assessment 2: January 2016

Assessment 3: February 2016

Assessment 4: May 2016

| SUBJECT   | EXAM | CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT  | OTHER EXPECTATIONS   |
|-----------|------|--|--|
| Geography |      | 2000 word report on the River Wey in Dorset -Summer term   | Exams at the end of each unit throughout the year.   |
| PE        |      | PEP – Completed by the end of the Year   | Exam each half term within lessons, GPG must be met<br><br>Attend extra-curricular clubs (Practical is 60% of overall grade) |
| Dance     |      | Set Dance (20% of overall grade)   | Attend extra-curricular clubs and rehears independently (Practical is 60% of overall grade)                                  |
| Art       |      | Term 1 - 10hr controlled assessment in lesson time. In response to a project theme Distorted Portraits Lesson time | 5hr mock exam under exam conditions over the course of 1 day   |

| SUBJECT  | EXAM | CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT  | OTHER EXPECTATIONS   |
|----------|------|--|--|
| Drama    |      | <p>Performing in 2 controlled assessment performances., which parents/carers will be invited to watch</p>  | <p>Theatre trip in February time (cost approx. £35). This is compulsory as it is part of their Unit 1 paper</p> <p>Practical workshop in March (Cost approx. £15) which initiates a part of an assessment.</p> |
| Music    |      | <p>One composition for Unit 2 - 20 hours of controlled assessment time, as well as 2 hours to complete an appraisal booklet (20%)</p> <p>Performing both individual and group pieces (40%)</p> |  |
| Catering |      | <p>Afternoon Tea controlled - 20%.<br/> Research and planning<br/> Making -3 hr exam – 4 baked goods<br/> Analyse and Evaluation</p>   |  |



| SUBJECT      | EXAM   | CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT  | OTHER EXPECTATIONS |
|--------------|--|--|--------------------|
| Film Studies |  | Exploring and creating coursework – 50%  |                    |
| Graphics     |  | Portfolio in preparation for a controlled assessment; Analysis, research, specification, design ideas, development of ideas, final solution, making and evaluation |                    |
| Child Care   | <u>January</u><br>Unit 1:<br>Patterns of child development (25%) | Assignments completed towards Units 2 and 3  |                    |
| Computing    |  | Coursework complete in Term 2  |                    |



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# AQA English GCSE Year 10

100% exam

0% Speaking & Listening





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# English Language Exam:

Paper 1 – Explorations on  
creative reading and writing  
1 hr 45

- a) Unseen extract 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup>  
Century
- b) Extended writing question  
(description or narrative)





# English Language Exam:

Paper 2 – Writer's viewpoints  
and perspectives

1 hr 45

- a) 2 non fiction texts
- b) Writing to represent a viewpoint





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# English Language S&L:

## Speaking & Listening

- a) Presentation
- b) Responding to feedback and questions
- c) Use of standard English





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# English Literature Exam:

Paper 1      40%

1 hr 45

- a) Shakespeare
- b) 19<sup>th</sup> Century novel





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# English Literature Exam:

Paper 2 – Modern texts and  
Poetry

2hrs 15      60%

- a) Modern texts
- b) Poetry anthology
- c) Unseen poetry





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## **Curriculum Year 10**

Inspector Calls (Literature Paper 2 Section A)

Jekyll & Hyde (Literature Paper 1 Section B)

Reading Fiction extracts & writing questions (Language Paper 1)

Reading Non Fiction & writing Non Fiction (Language Paper 2)

Exam skills – mock exam Fiction and Non fiction (Language paper 1 & 2)

Poetry Anthology and Speaking & Listening (Literature paper 2 Section B)





# Expectations

Students will have to meet tight deadlines in order to complete all curriculum aspects and allow enough time for exam preparation

Students will be required to attend intervention session where appropriate and attend all lessons without exception

Absence or missing work must be addressed as soon as possible

Students who work hard and invest time will be rewarded with excellent results.

You get out what you put in!



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## **How will the English Department support the students?**

Classwork and homework will be marked rapidly to allow improvements to be made

Students will have significant exam preparation time

Registration, Lunchtime and After school sessions will be made available

Students will be pushed to achieve challenging target grades

Revision materials will be made available.

Students will sit mock exams and opportunities to learn from these experiences

Parents can contact the Department with any issues at any time



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“Time dedicated to reading for pleasure as a teenager has a demonstrable impact on GCSE results”



# MATHS FACULTY

## Examinations

- Three examinations at the end of the two year GCSE course (May/June 2017)
- Non calculator paper ( $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ )
- Two calculator paper ( $33\frac{1}{3}\%$  each)

# MATHS FACULTY

- Exam Board – EDEXCEL
- Course codes:
- 1MA1/ Level 1/2 – for foundation/higher tier
- Grading system changes to 1-9 (9 being the highest)
- A bigger emphasis will be on problem solving for these new examinations.
- More content within each specification.

# Self help & guidance

- Maths Faculty revision sessions/intervention sessions when they become available.
- Students will be given regular exam questions to complete.
- Strongly recommend frequent use of: mymaths, GCSE bitesize, Samlearning websites and use of revision guides and workbooks.
- Exam papers and mark schemes available on the EDEXCEL website (however, mostly for current specifications)
- Maths faculty are currently looking at setting up a lunchtime club.

# Help & guidance this year

- Lessons – be prepared (equipment/calculator)
- Homework (Completion/deadlines)
- Each student should be spending 1.5 hours on Maths homework per week.
- Revision guide/workbooks
- Contact class teacher/subject leader if help needed.
- Practice, Practice , Practice!!!

# Science at Sir Frederic Osborn School;

## Course structure

- **GCSE; OCR 21<sup>st</sup> Century Science**
  - **Double;** Core (May 2016), Additional (June 2017)
  - **Triple;** 3 GCSEs – Biology, Chemistry and Physics. 9 exams – May/June 2017.
- **Both;**
  - 25% controlled assessment (Autumn 2 and Spring 1), and
  - offered at Foundation and Higher.
- **BTEC;** Edexcel, 2 Awards; Principles and Applications. 75% portfolio – throughout the year, 25% exam – March/June.
- **Additional support;** revision classes, tutorial sessions, after school clinics.



# Science at Sir Frederic Osborn School; ensuring the best outcomes.

## Action;

- Complete independent study; build confidence and knowledge base.
- Revise early; use BBC Bitesize, Samlearning, OCR website, revision guides.
- Practice writing and reading; past papers.
- Get involved with current science.
- Apply yourself – now.

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And finally...

Thank you for attending this evening's information evening

Please keep in touch with your child's tutor in the first instance and/or subject teacher and myself if necessary

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Any Questions  
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