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Year 11 Information 2026-27

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Key Dates

21st -25th September	Ambitions Week : 1 to 1 meetings with all students
24th September	Year 11 Information Evening
October (Various dates)	PPE(Pre-Public Examinations) for English, MFL (Speaking) and Creative subjects (Art, 3D, Engineering and Graphics)
1st December (week commencing)	Progress Report 1
9th December 3.30pm-6.30pm	Progress Evening 1
11th January - 29th January	PPE- All subjects
12th January and 14th January	Pst 16 Taster Days (City Wide)
15th February (week commencing)	Progress Report 2
3rd March 3.30pm-6.30pm	Progress Evening 2
15th March- 29th April	GCSE Exams: Practical Assessments
4th May- 18th June	GCSE Exams: Written
18th June	Prom- York Racecourse (5.30pm-10.30pm)
23rd June	GCSE Contingency Day *(will be used if Exam board moves exam- only in exceptional circumstances but all students must be available)*
21st June	Leavers Brunch and Leavers assembly
19th August	Results Day
In addition to the above key dates there may be additional in school activities to support preparation and success in their exams. We respond dynamically to the needs of the year group.	

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Please ensure you have a class chart log in as regular communication will be sent via Classcharts and also to your email. Please let the office know of any contact and address changes.	

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GCSE Exam boards 2026/27 (Year 11 only)

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SUBJECT	EXAM BOARD	COURSE CODE	ASSESSMENT INFORMATION
GCSE Art & Design (Fine Art)	AQA	8202	8202/C - Portfolio Work, 8202/X - Externally Set Assignment
GCSE Biology	AQA	8461	2 x Biology Papers
GCSE Chemistry	AQA	8462	2 x Chemistry Papers
Cambridge National in Child Development	OCR	J809	2 x Coursework (R058 and R059), 1 x Written Paper
GCSE Computer Science	OCR	J277	2 x Written papers
GCSE 3D Design	WJEC	C655QS	1 x Portfolio, 1x Assignment
GCSE Drama	AQA	8261	1 X Written paper, 1x Internal Practical (8261/C), 1x External Practical (8261/X)
Engineering Level 1/2	WJEC	5799	2 x Coursework (Unit 1 and Unit 2) 1 x Written Paper
GCSE English Language	AQA	8700	2 x Written papers, 1x Practical Spoken Language Assessment
GCSE English Literature	AQA	8702	2 x Written Papers
GCSE French	Pearson Edexcel	1FRO	3 x Written papers (Listening paper is audio track) 1x practical speaking assessment
GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition	AQA	8585	1 X Written paper, 1x NEA (8585/C)
GCSE German	Pearson Edexcel	1GNO	3 x Written papers (Listening paper is audio track) 1x practical speaking assessment
GCSE Geography	AQA	8035	3 x Written exam papers
GCSE Graphic Comms	WJEC	C6534QS	1 x Portfolio, 1x Assignment
GCSE History	AQA	8145JC	2 x Written Papers
GCSE Maths	Pearson Edexcel	1MA1	3 x Written exam papers
ELC Maths (Entry Level)	AQA	5930	8 x Component papers

SUBJECT	EXAM BOARD	COURSE CODE	ASSESSMENT INFORMATION
GCSE Music	WJEC	C660QS	1 x Written paper (with audio track), 1 x Composing practical , 1x Performing Practical
GCSE Physics	AQA	8463	2 x Physics Papers
GCSE Physical Education 2025/27 Cohort	Pearson Edexcel	1PE0	2 x Written exam papers, 1x Practical Performance (PE0/03), 1x PEP (PE0/04)
GCSE Religious Studies	AQA	8062MA	2 x Written Papers
GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy)	AQA	8464	2x Biology papers, 2x Physics papers, 2x Chemistry papers

Further information can be found by going to the exam board website.

All students have access to the subject Rubric guides and Google classroom

GCSE online revision recommendations

Subject	Name	Link
Maths	Sparx - homework, independent study and targeted revision Corbett Maths - extra printable practice on all topics Mathsgenie - past papers with mark schemes and worked solutions Year group google classroom	https://sparxmaths.com/ https://corbettmaths.com/ https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/pa pers.php
History	**AQA exam board:** **BBC bitesize Germany** 1890- 1945. This link takes you to the main Bitesize page for Germany There are then 11 links to open that revise different sections of the topic. All are useful. **Youtube video link for Germany** -takes you to 11 clips, around 10 mins each, on each section of Germany, including exam technique. **BBC bitesize Conflict in Asia** Note Bitesize does not cover the Korean War, but you need to revise this. The YouTube Clip does cover Korea too. **Youtube Revision whole overview of Korean War and War in Vietnam** **BBC Bitesize Health and the People**	Germany revision topics link AQA Germany History Revision videos by Pete Jackson The Vietnam War Youtube War in Asia 1950-1975 revision Medieval Medicine Renaissance 19th century - a revolution in medicine Medicine and 19th century part 2 In to the 20th century

	Youtube Q1 How useful revision Health and People Youtube Q2 Significance revision Health and People Youtube Q3 compare similarities OR differences revision Health and People Youtube Q4 Factor 16 mark essay revision Health and People Youtube Health and People whole course Knowledge - Youtube Health and the People Medieval overview **BBC Bitesize - Elizabethan England Unit**. this link takes you to 6 mini sections, all are applicable. Youtube revision video Elizabethan Court Podcast - Dan Snow's History HIt on Elizabeth I	Modern medicine 20th century part 2 Health and People Q1 How useful tips Health and People Q2 How useful tips Health and People Q3 Compare either similarities or differences Health and People Q4 factor question Whole course Heath and People revision Medieval Period 5 mins overview Elizabethan England overview Elizabethan Court and Parliament revision Dan Snow's History Hit Podcast on Elizabeth I with Helen Castor
English	**BBC Bitesize** There are separate areas for both English Literature and English Language. All aspects of the course are covered. **Sparknotes** Similar to Bitesize, but with more of a literature focus and lots of quizzes to help students recall key quotes and themes. **Oak National Academy** Students can choose the	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ex amspecs/zxqncwx https://www.sparknotes.com/ https://www.thenational.academy/ pupils

	'pupil' option and access an extensive range of lessons on the key texts. Particularly valuable for	

	revision any missed content. Use google classroom for practice literature and language exam questions, and for the rubric guides which will take you step by step through each question on literature and language exams.	
Sports Studies	BBC Bitesize (Edexcel) Seneca Learning: A free and interactive revision platform. Use Edexcel Physical Education materials as they are applicable.Students need their Millthorpe login. Google Classroom will have resources and past exam papers on there.	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ex amspecs/zxbg39q https://senecalearning.com/en GB/
Geography	**Seneca** - A free and interactive revision platform that helps students with engaging content, including quizzes and active recall, proven to improve exam performance. **Internet Geography** - Offers comprehensive revision notes, quizzes, and case studies, making it a great resource for detailed GCSE Geography preparation.	https://senecalearning.com/en-gb/ AQA Link

Engineering WJEC	GoogleClassrooms contains all Unit 3 exam revision materials. As well as the full course rubric **Seneca** - A free and interactive revision platform. Use AQA DT materials as they are applicable. Full course quiz is also available through Google Classroom	https://senecalearning.com/en GB/
OCR Child Development Cambridge National	Google Classroom contains all RO57 exam revision materials. As well as the full course rubric.	

Computer Science	**Educake** - Self marking quizzing platform. **Seneca** - A free and interactive revision platform that helps students with engaging content, including quizzes and active recall, proven to improve exam performance. **Google Classroom** will be updated with past paper questions.
Graphic Products Eduqas	The course is portfolio based, students do not need access to specific revision resources as there is no written exam. Students need to be working through their own personal journey and designing their own product to manufacture. Students can be working on free software at home including Photopea to develop their designs.
3D Design Eduqas	The course is portfolio based, students do not need access to specific revision resources as there is no written exam. Students need to be working through their own personal journey and designing their own product to manufacture. Students can be working on free software at home including Tinkercad to develop their designs.
Fine Art AQA	Component 1 of this course is portfolio based, students do not need access to specific revision resources as there is no written exam. Students need to be working through their own personal journey and creating personal responses with sketchbook development work.

Science - Triple Science	Seneca - free and interactive revision platform that helps students with engaging content, including quizzes and active recall, proven to improve exam performance. Exam Board AQA - https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/courses/add?Price=Free BBC Bitesize - Exam Board Specific Revision tool. Biology -https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zpgcbk7 Chemistry - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8xtmnb Physics - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zsc9rdm Subject Google Classroom - all lesson resources uploaded. AQA Website - Biology, Chemistry, Physics https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects

Science - Combined Science - Trilogy	Seneca - free and interactive revision platform that helps students with engaging content, including quizzes and active recall, proven to improve exam performance. Exam Board AQA - https://app.senecalearning.com/dashboard/courses/add?Price=Free BBC Bitesize - Exam Board Specific Revision tool. https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8r997h Subject Google Classroom - all lesson resources uploaded. AQA Website: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/science 8464/specification Cognito - Youtube https://www.youtube.com/@Cognitoedu

French and German Edexcel	Edexcel website (specification, exams, tips, vocabulary lists, past exam questions): Pearson Edexcel GCSE French (2024) Pearson Edexcel GCSE German (2024) BBC Bitesize: GCSE French - Edexcel (for exams from 2026) - BBC Bitesize GCSE German - BBC Bitesize Languages Online: Français German Un jour, une actu (listening practice French): 1jour 1actu News in slow French (listening practice French, need to create log in): News in Slow French Memrise (Also available as an app, a great site for memorising vocabulary. Sign up for free and search for 'Edexcel GCSE French or German Vocabulary': Memrise Quizlet: Some say the best website for revising vocabulary! Edexcel GCSE French Revision | Quizlet Edexcel GCSE German | Quizlet

TOP REVISION TIPS

Don't let the stress of revision overwhelm you. Stay in control with these top tips.

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1



START AS EARLY AS YOU CAN

Cramming at the last minute is stressful and has limited success.

2



MAKE A PLAN

Work out how much time you have and how long you can spend on each subject.

3



CREATE A STUDY SPACE

Find a quiet spot away from distractions and keep your things all in one place.

4



MIX IT UP

Use a mixture of revision for best results. See our metacognition pods for more info.

5



TAKE REGULAR BREAKS

It is possible to work too hard, make sure to take regular breaks.

6



REVISE WITH A FRIEND

Talking through what you've learned can help information stick.

7



USE PAST PAPERS

These are a great way to get used to exam format and testing what you have learnt.

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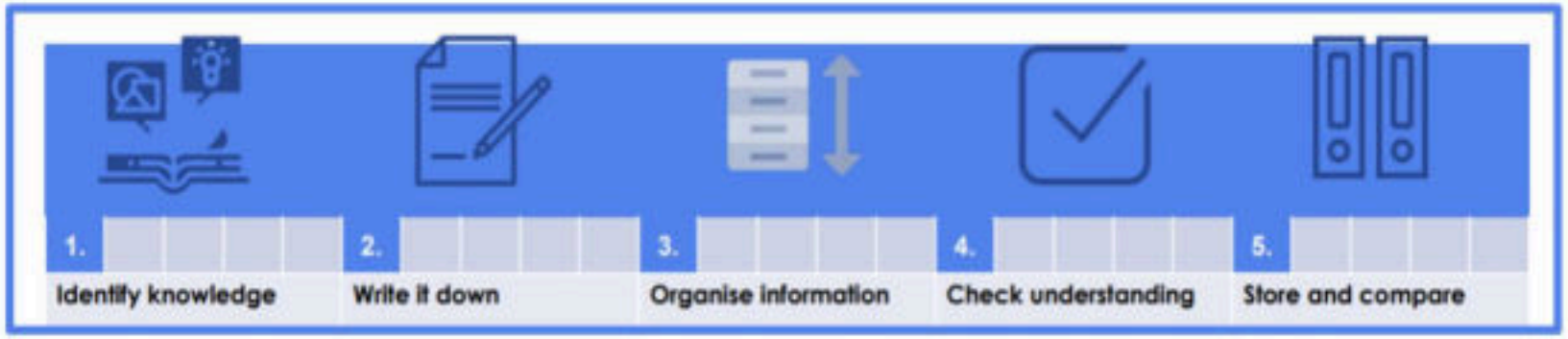
EAT HEALTHY

Certain foods boost your brainpower and will help you remember more.

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1. Brain Dumps

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Decide which focussed area (unit/topic) you want to revise.

Give yourself a time limit - e.g. 10 minutes - write down everything you can remember about that topic.

Use highlighters to categorise the words/ideas into groups.

Compare your brain dump to your Knowledge Organiser - correct misconceptions and add any information you missed in a different colour.

Store your brain dump away in order to be able to revisit it later.

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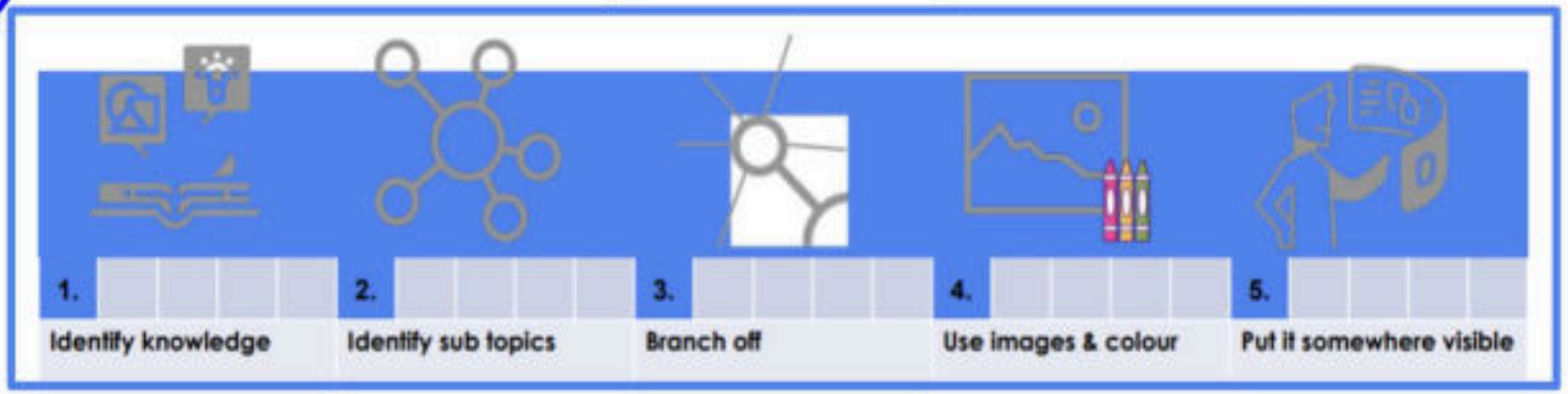
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2. Mind Maps

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Decide which focussed area (unit/topic) you want to revise - have your Knowledge Organisers in front of you.

Begin your mind map - place the main topic in the middle and identify subtopics that will branch off.

Branch off your subtopics with further detail - not too much writing, though - make it easy to recall and visualise.

Use pictures and colour to help this process.

Place your completed mind maps in places where you can see them frequently.

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3. Flash Cards

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Decide which focussed area (unit/topic) you want to revise - have your Knowledge Organisers in front of you.

Use different coloured flash cards for different topics to help with organisation.

Write one clear question per flashcard - these should be questions that require short, specific knowledge-based answers.

Look at the question and write your answer down then check, or say your answers out loud and check.

Review your performance and use the Leitner system to test your knowledge over time.

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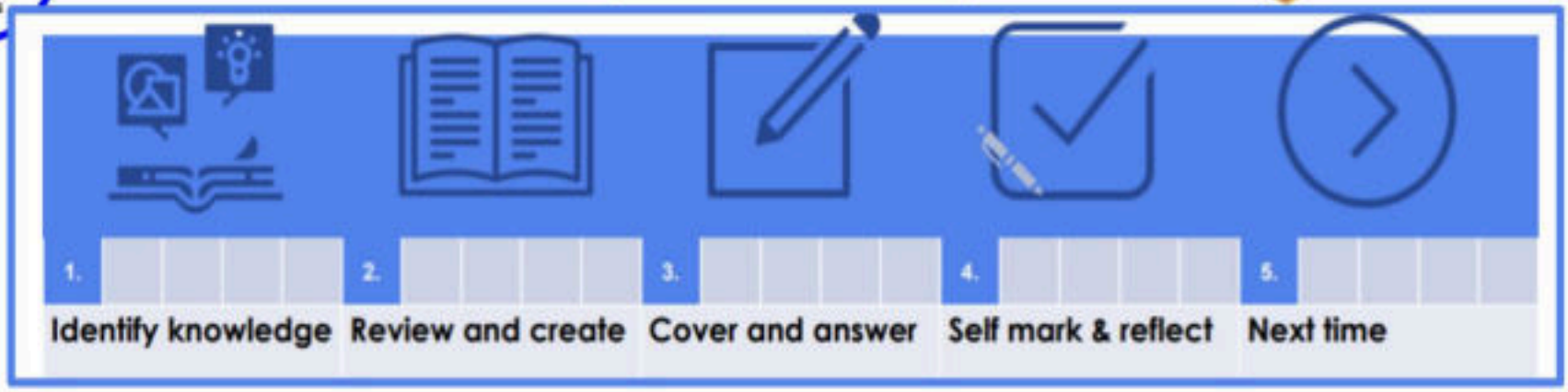
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4. Self Quizzing

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Decide which focussed area (unit/topic) you want to revise.

Spend 5-10 minutes reviewing knowledge using a Knowledge Organiser. Create 10 questions on the topic.

Cover up your Knowledge Organiser and answer the questions from memory.

Using your Knowledge Organiser self-mark your answers in green pen.

Revisit the areas where there were gaps in knowledge and include these same questions next time.

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REVISION TIMETABLE

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TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
9AM							
10AM							
11AM							
12PM							
1PM							
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3PM							
4PM							
5PM							
6PM							

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TOP TIPS FROM YOUR FELLOW STUDENTS

We asked your fellow students what helps them to revise for their exams. Here's what they said.

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1 PACE YOURSELF

Try not to revise everything at once. Give your mind time to take in what it is you are revising.

2 SET GOALS

Whether you set yourself a time goal or an amount of work to complete, it is important to challenge yourself.

3 ORGANISE WORKLOADS

Organise your time properly by creating a timetable of subjects to revise. Don't forget to include suitable breaks.

4 USE SUMMARY PODS

For short bursts of revision, the Summary Pods are a great way to help you remember the key pieces of information.

5 NO LATE NIGHTS

Don't start revision late at night. Make sure you have a good sleep of between 7-9 hours every night, helping you to have a relaxed and well-rested mind and body.

6 LISTEN TO MUSIC

Calming music can help you to de-stress or focus when you're stressed.



7 TEST YOURSELF

By testing yourself with questions, you are making sure you fully understand what it is you are revising.

8 NO DISTRACTIONS

Revise in a quiet place where there is nothing to distract you.

9 REWARD SYSTEM

Reward yourself after revision to keep you motivated.

10 CREATE A HOMEWORK CORNER

Set up a comfortable place at home where you can relax and revise at the same time.

11 DON'T LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE

Leaving revision until the last minute will add unnecessary stress to your workload. Start sooner rather than later.

12 USE COLOURS

Highlight key points which you need to stand out during revision.

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EXAM CHECKLIST

- Get a good night's sleep ○
- Eat a healthy meal ○
- Review the GCSEPod exam playlist ○
- Check where your exam is being held ○
- Arrive 15 minutes early ○

Do you have...

- 2 pens (black) ○
- Pencil ○
- Ruler ○
- Eraser ○
- Angle measure or protractor ○
- Calculator ○
- Highlighters ○
- Bottle of water ○
- Clear pencil case ○

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End of year revision

- → End of year assessments
- → Year 7
- → Year 8
- → Year 9
- → Year 10
- → Knowledge Organisers

Revision

Revision – useful links

Revision Tips

Revision Timetable

Fab four revision strategies

Coping with exam stress

Year 11 Information Evening Presentation

Parents' Guide to Revision from Oxford Revise

GCSE – Ready-made Revision Plans

Our ready-made subject revision plans are step-by-step plans that students can follow for every subject. The plans direct students to specific tasks, videos to watch and are a great starting point. We encourage students to use these as a skeleton but then personalise working on their areas for development identified by their teachers from their PPE papers.

Just click on a subject below to see the revision plans.

– ENGLISH

English GCSE Revision Timetable 2026

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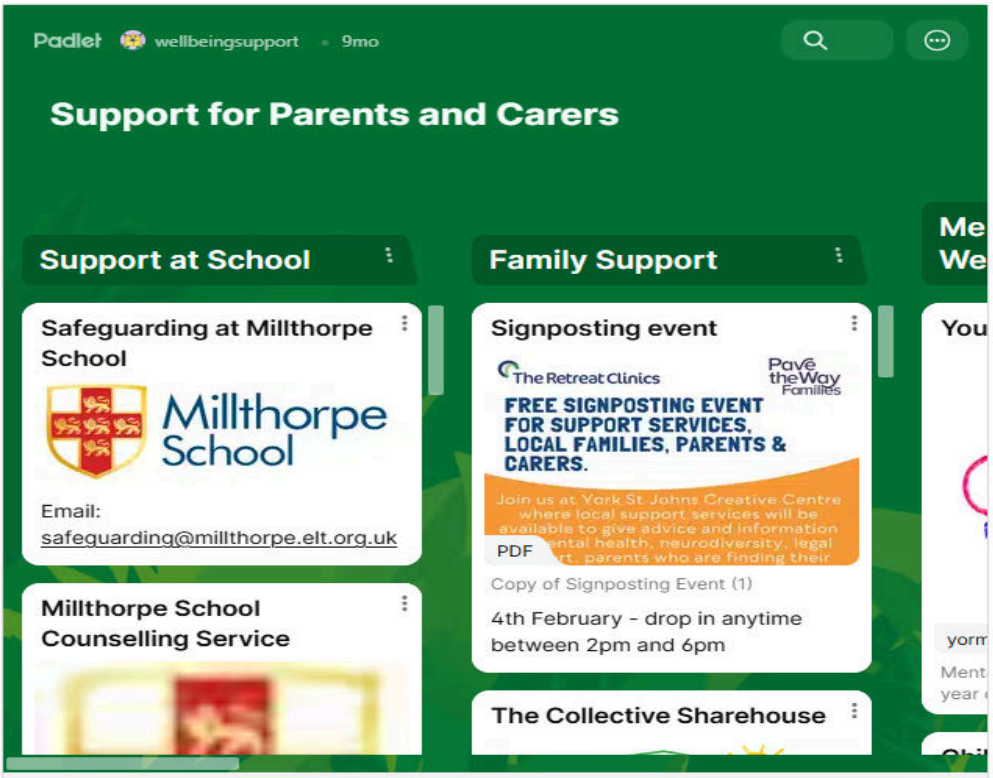
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Exams and revision support for students and parents

We have recently launched a new online support app called Padlet, which is a directory of support available for students and parents. Within this, you can find support and advice relating to exams and revision.

Padlet can be accessed below and the content will be updated regularly.





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