



Year 11 Update

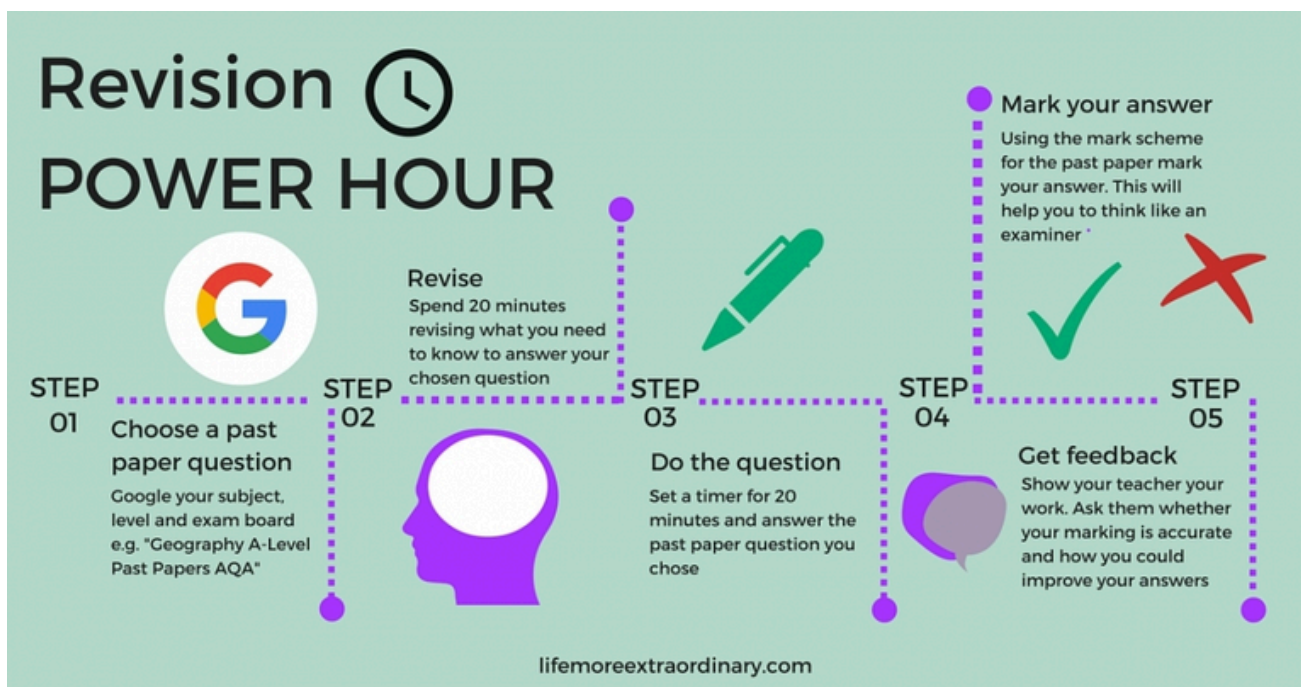
Year 11 Revision Residential – A Weekend to Remember!

Our recent Year 11 Revision Residential at Pindale Farm was a fantastic success! Students balanced focused revision sessions in Maths, English and Science with outdoor adventures, including a challenging hike up Mam Tor and team activities like cooking breakfasts and quiz nights. It was wonderful to see them supporting each other, building confidence, and engaging so positively with their learning. A huge thank you to the staff who made the weekend possible – and well done to all the students for their hard work and brilliant attitude!



Review of GCSE exams

The first weeks of Year 11 exams has been an important and intense time for students as they begin the final stretch of their secondary education. Overall, they've shown resilience, maturity, and a strong commitment to doing their best. Core subjects like English, Maths, and Science have been the focus, and while some students have left exams feeling confident, others may need reassurance as they navigate the emotional ups and downs of this period. Your continued support, encouragement, and understanding at home make a real difference, helping students stay motivated and grounded during this demanding time. Please contact us if you need support in supporting your child with their exams.




May Half Term revision sessions

| | Date | Morning 10am – 12pm | Afternoon 12.30 pm – 2pm |
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| Easter | Tuesday 27th May | History Revision KSO | History Revision KSO |
| | Wednesday 28th May | Statistics | |
| | Thursday 29th May | Maths JBA, LGA | Maths JBA, LGA |
| | Friday 30th May | Y11 Geography KRA | Y11 Geography KRA Y11 French |

TIME MANAGEMENT TIPS ON HOW TO BE EFFICIENT


STAY ORGANISED

CREATE A REVISION TIMETABLE AND A TO DO LIST TO KEEP YOU ON TRACK WITH SCHOOL WORK AND REVISION.




TRY NOT TO PROCRASTINATE

TURN OFF THE TV AND PUT YOUR PHONE ON FLIGHT MODE WHILE STUDYING.




SET GOALS

SETTING GOALS WILL HELP YOU STAY FOCUSED WHEN REVISION.



STAY HEALTHY

EAT WELL AND EXERCISE. ENERGY LEVELS WILL BE HIGHER AND YOUR MIND WILL BE MORE FOCUSED.




TAKE BREAKS

DON'T FORGET TO SCHEDULE BREAKS. THIS COULD BE TAKING A WALK, STRETCHING OR MAKING A DRINK/SNACK.



BE FLEXIBLE

LEAVE ROOM IN YOUR SCHEDULE TO ADJUST TO UNEXPECTED EVENTS.



To the Covid Cohort: The Year 11s of 2025

When the world shut down in March 2020, you were just children in Year 6. You missed your leavers' parties, your final sports days, the transition days that were meant to ease your leap into secondary school. For some, education halted entirely—no online learning, no structure, just uncertainty. You began secondary school not with the usual excitement and nerves, but through screens and restrictions. Your Year 7 wasn't filled with: • Team-building days • School trips • Residential adventures • Lunch break conversations You learned to work in bubbles, to avoid physical contact, to keep your heads down. Interschool sports? Cancelled. Drama productions? Postponed. Group work? Discouraged. Yet here you are. Five years later. About to be assessed and judged by the same grade boundaries used in a pre-Covid world—as if it's been a level playing field all along. To every young person in Year 11 sitting their GCSEs this year: You've already overcome one of the greatest disruptions to education in living memory. You are resilient. You are capable. You are more than a number on a results slip. Pace yourselves. Do your best. Be kind to yourselves and each other. In just six weeks, these exams will be over. But your courage, your persistence, and your story—that will stay with you, and with us, for a lifetime.

Important Dates

- **16th June** - Leavers event following Physics exam (students can sign shirts **only** after the exam).
- **2nd July** - Year 11 trip to Alton Towers
- **10th July** - Year 11 Prom (arrive at Armthorpe Rugby Club from 6.00pm)
- **21st August** - GCSE Results Day (further information will be sent about the day).

As we begin the preparations for prom if you have any photos of your child throughout their school lives that you want to share please send them to sarah.hanquinioux@consilium-at.com with the subject heading 'prom', (please make sure you attach their name). This might include photos of your child on their first day of school, an embarrassing school photo or a baby photo that you can't resist everyone seeing. The photo's will be used to create a welcome video for the students as they walk into prom with their welcome mocktails.

Over the next few weeks we also begin create 'prom awards' so we may get in contact for more information.



The Final Weeks

As we approach the final weeks and days at Armthorpe Academy there are some things that need to remain in place to ensure that consistency is in place for all year groups in school.

These include:

- Exit timetables - each student has an exit timetable as their courses finish staff have been redistributed to give them as much time to subject experts as possible before the exams. Students must follow their planned timetable not choose to go to another session.
- Any behaviour that is deemed significant will result in the invitation to prom, Alton Towers and the Leavers event being removed.
- Uniform remains the same until the end of the academic year, including shoes, ties and blazers unless summer uniform is implemented through usual communication methods.
- If you have ordered a hoodie these are directly bought through our school provider, when they arrive in school your child will collect it.
- If your child does Food Tech they will only attend school 1pm for the exam on the 17th July, everyone else will leave after the Leavers event on the 16th July. Therefore will not have lunch and should be leaving school site by 11.30am. At the leavers event students will need to bring another shirt to sign, we are happy to trade a sharpie for a tie so they have something to sign shirts with.
- Shirts cannot be signed before the Physics exam as this is malpractice and will put their grade at risk or being removed.
- Donations of uniform, PE kits and any revision materials are greatly appreciated! These will go on to supply future Y11s.

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