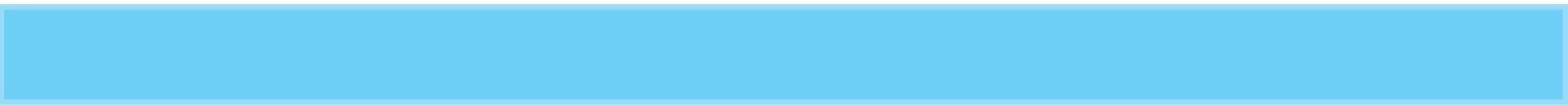


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During school hours (before 3.10pm), support for individual students will take the form of;

- **Form time study groups**
 - Aiming to enhance and improve in subject and skill areas key to examination success.
 - Working groups will rotate and change as the needs of the year group require.
 - Completed with Mr Hawe
- **Lesson support**
 - Throughout the year, Science teachers will work with students to identify, improve and re-assess key topics areas of concern.
 - Sessions will follow a tutorial format, and extend over several tutorials during a period of time during the school year.



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After school support is structured as follows;

Strand 1: Mandatory Attendance with JHA on a weekly basis.

A focus for every session will be agreed at the start and students will be required to show JHA what has been achieved towards that aim by 4.00pm

Strand 2: Mandatory attendance with JHA, but free choice

Students must attend sessions each week with JHA in K22, but the aim and focus of the session are a free choice for students.

Will be used primarily where extra support is needed, but specific topics of weakness are not present in tests, etc.

Strand 3: Optional attendance

A full schedule of study sessions provided by various Science teachers in all 3 Science disciplines will be available throughout the week.

Students are free to sign up to attend for a session in the following week by the end of Thursday of the week before.

In all sessions, students are encouraged to bring all their revision materials with them (revision guides, exam papers, exercise books, notes, etc) which can be used to aid progression through discussion with Science staff.

These sessions are intended to be focused study sessions, and students will be required to have a specific plan/aim for the session in mind in order to make it productive.



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All students in Year 11 already have access to a Science specific service called Educake.

Educake is an online platform that teachers will use in class, set homework on and use to carry out assessments throughout the year.

Students have already been using Educake extensively since February.

Students also have the option to set themselves questions on specific, or general topic areas of self/teacher identified need.

In 2017, some students managed to complete over 3000 self set exam questions, with very positive Summer exam success as a result.



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In Science, PiXL support is available to students in 2 main ways;

1. Through the wide variety of revision materials made available (many can be found on Sharepoint, or from teachers). These include research booklet, exam questions, maths skills development and more.
2. PiXL Wave – In November, all students will complete 6 Science mock exams, the same number as in May/June.

In November, all 3 Paper 1 exams will be sent to PiXL following marking, and bespoke revision/support packages will be built for each student based on their exam performance.

The same process will be completed when students complete a full set of Paper 2 exams in early 2019, once course content is complete.



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Very much like Educake, GCSEpod is an online service students already have access to and use.

Just like Educake, assessments and home learning will be set by teachers, but students can also use GCSEpod to view the many short, focused videos that accompany each section of the Science specification, with questions available to support each video or pod.



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Kerboodle is a new service available to students from this September.

In addition to being used by teachers, Kerboodle provides students with access to the following (all available online and accessed through the Sharepoint hub);

- An online, electronic copy of Science textbooks
- Electronic copies of lesson resources made available by teachers
- Revision question packages
- Notes and presentations on every topic in Science (Triple or Combined)
- Worksheets – tiered to both Foundation and Higher
- Resources to help refresh and revise the required investigations completed in class.

Students will receive their Kerboodle account details in the coming days, once all accounts have been set up and verified.



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Several existing support resources are also available to students (revision guides, workbooks and revision quiz cards [new this September] are also available as previously), but please be rest assured that additional support will likely be added to this list in the coming weeks and months, and you will be informed of it accordingly.

Our 6th form open evening (**16th November**) will also be a great opportunity to either discuss issues from this evening, as well as the future opportunities for your child in more depth. On that evening the following scientific subjects will be represented;

**BTEC
Applied
Science**

**A-Level
Biology**

**A-Level
Physics**

**A-Level
Chemistry**

**BTEC
Health &
Social Care**

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask myself, or any of the Science team who are around this evening.