

Curriculum Overview / Revision Guide

Year 6	Subject – Mathematics	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Review of Year 3-5 topics</p> <p>Exercises from the textbooks that can be helpful for revision are listed below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four operations (Chapter 3) • Number properties and vocabulary (Chapter 2) • Fractions, decimals, percentages (Chapter 5 pp. 61-71, Chapter 10 pp. 161-162) • Ratios and proportion (Chapter 11 pp. 173-178) • Sequences (Chapter 20) • Perimeter and area (Chapter 9) • Angle laws (Chapter 13, excluding angles in parallel lines) • 2D and 3D shapes (Chapter 18) • Transformations (Chapter 17) • Averages (Chapter 16 pp. 268-269) • Probability (Chapter 6) • BIDMAS (Chapter 1 pp. 11) • Equations of simple lines (Chapter 15 pp. 249-254), $y=x$ and $y=-x$ <p>Please use <i>mymaths.co.uk</i> for helpful revision lessons and activities</p> <p>Log-in: wccs / password: decimal</p>	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	1 hour – written exam with mixed questions on all topics
	Further revision required	<p>You can download the 'WCCS Junior School Mathematics Syllabus' from the website</p> <p>Boys should be proficient in all topics covered in Year 3 to Year 5 as listed on the syllabus. Every Year 6 pupil also has a hard copy in their yellow maths folder</p> <p>Please also learn all the formulae and facts on the WCCS <i>Junior Maths Silver Card</i> which every Year 6 boy has in his yellow maths folder</p>

Please note that any topics that are not covered by the time of the exam will not be included in the exam. For more information about mathematics, contact Delphine Riviere, Ivor Simpson or Dominic Hudson.

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Year 6	Subject – English	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Comprehension Boys will learn to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • find information or ideas • identify meaning beyond the literal • explain the effect of a writer’s choice of words (verbs, adjectives, adverbs etc) and imagery (similes, metaphors, personification etc) • analyse the text as a whole • select short quotations and embed them correctly <p>Composition Boys will learn to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create a vivid and clear setting • describe characters • base ideas on personal experience • use literary devices (similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia etc) and a broad vocabulary • develop a simple plot with a short time frame • use a range of sentence structures and sentence lengths <p>Punctuation Full stops, capitals letters, question marks, exclamation marks, direct speech, apostrophes, semi-colons and colons</p> <p>Grammar Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions and simple, compound and complex sentences. Boys will also learn the basics of parsing a sentence</p>	
Christmas exam details	Exam Format	2 papers 1 hr 15 mins – prose comprehension and composition 1 hr 15 mins – poetry comprehension, punctuation and grammar
	Further revision required	There will be a 35 minute punctuation and grammar test and 35 minute comprehension test in Week 5 to monitor progress

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Year 6	Subject – Science	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Textbook – Blue Science ISEB Year 6 book</p> <p>Biology: Nutrition Boys will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the content of a healthy diet and the consequences of an imbalanced diet • which nutrients we need for growth and repair • how to use food tests for identification <p>Evolution and inheritance Boys will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how living organisms have changed over time • how adaptation facilitates evolution • differences in habitats • how conservation helps with extinction <p>Physics: Electricity Boys will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how to make a series circuits • how to draw a circuits diagram • scientific symbols for each electrical component • the dangers of a short circuit 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	1 hour – written exam with short answer questions and some longer responses
	Further revision required	None

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Year 6	Subject – French	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Textbook – French One for Common Entrance, Nigel Pearce</p> <p>Vocabulary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers/prices • Personal Description • Clothes • Household Chores • Making plans • Leisure activities <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acheter • Vouloir and Pouvoir • Adjectives • Questions • Écrire • Aller + infinitive (Simple future) • Prepositions • Regular –ir verbs • Regular -re verbs 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	<p>45 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading (gap-filling / multiple choice / matching pictures to vocabulary items) • Writing (writing sentences based on visual or written stimulus) • Conjugation of verbs • Comprehension
	Further revision required	<p>Several of the grammar topics this term rely completely on sound knowledge of gender, so revising the gender of nouns along with their meaning is absolutely essential</p>

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Year 6S	Subject – Classics	Term – Michaelmas
Topics covered	<p>Text Book: <i>Latin for Common Entrance One</i> by N.R.R. Oulton</p> <p>Grammar and syntax</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present tense and imperfect tense of <i>sum</i> & <i>amo</i> • Nouns: 1st declension: <i>puella</i> in all cases • Personal pronouns in nominative & accusative • Word order and translation technique • 2nd declension masculine nouns: <i>dominus</i> • 2nd declension neuter nouns: <i>bellum</i> • 2nd declension nouns: <i>puer</i> & <i>magister</i> type • Present infinitive • Adjectives: <i>bonus</i>-type, and agreement of adjectives • Prepositions which take the accusative and ablative <p>Vocabulary</p> <p>All words Chapters 1 – 5 in <i>Latin for Common Entrance One</i></p> <p>Classical Civilisation</p> <p>Army: organisation, equipment</p>	
Christmas exam details	Exam Format	<p>1 hour</p> <p>Question 1 (15 marks) – Boys will be asked a series of questions to test comprehension of the first paragraph (20 words or so) of an edited passage</p> <p>Question 2 (30 marks) – Boys will be asked to translate into good English the second paragraph (about 25 words) of the passage</p> <p>Question 3 (20 marks) – Boys will be asked a series of questions to test their knowledge of grammar. They will perform simple manipulation of the language and some translation into Latin, using vocabulary provided</p>
	Further revision required	None

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Year 6R	Subject – Classics	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Text Book: <i>Latin for Common Entrance One</i> by N.R.R. Oulton</p> <p>Grammar and syntax</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present tense and imperfect tense of <i>sum</i> & <i>amo</i> • Nouns: 1st declension: <i>puella</i> in all cases • Personal pronouns in nominative & accusative • Word order and translation technique • 2nd declension masculine nouns: <i>dominus</i> • 2nd declension neuter nouns: <i>bellum</i> • 2nd declension nouns: <i>puer</i> & <i>magister</i> type • Present infinitive • Adjectives: <i>bonus</i>-type, and agreement of adjectives • Prepositions which take the accusative and ablative <p>Vocabulary</p> <p>All words Chapters 1 – 5 in <i>Latin for Common Entrance One</i></p> <p>Classical Civilisation</p> <p>Army: organisation, equipment</p>	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	<p>1 hour</p> <p>Question 1 (15 marks) – Boys will be asked a series of questions to test comprehension of the first paragraph (20 words or so) of an edited passage</p> <p>Question 2 (30 marks) – Boys will be asked to translate into good English the second paragraph (about 25 words) of the passage</p> <p>Question 3 (20 marks) – Boys will be asked a series of questions to test their knowledge of grammar. They will perform simple manipulation of the language and some translation into Latin, using vocabulary provided</p>
	Further revision required	None

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Year 6	Subject – Religious Studies	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>The New Testament</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trinity • God the Son, the Redeemer • Annunciation • Visitation • Incarnation • The hidden years • Jesus’s Baptism • Jesus’s public life • Parables & miracles <p>The boys will also be taught about prayer in the first two weeks of the term. There will be regular tests throughout the term to check understanding.</p>	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	<p>45 minutes</p> <p>Section 1 Define key terms</p> <p>Sections 2 & 3 Focusing on a topic above, boys will be expected to describe a bible story using a painting and own knowledge, answer both short comprehension questions, and opinion-based questions</p>
	Further revision required	Reading the Bible they have been given and knowing the stories in the New Testament

Please note that any topics that are not covered by the time of the exam will not be included in the exam. For more information about Religious Studies please contact Ivo MacGreevy or Nick Morrell.

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Year 6	Subject – History	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	The Romans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Britain before the Romans • Julius Caesar • Claudius and the invasion • Christianity and Constantine • The fall of the Roman empire • Byzantium 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	1 hour Short answer questions, longer paragraph questions and one essay question
	Further revision required	None

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Year 6	Subject – Geography	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Plate tectonics</p> <p>Theory</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the structure of the Earth and how are the layers different? • What are plates and how do they move? • What are the four major plate boundaries and how do they operate? <p>Earthquakes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is an earthquake? • What were the causes, effects and responses of the Haiti earthquake? <p>Tsunamis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a tsunami? • How did the Boxing Day tsunami affect the lives of children in Asia? 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	<p>1 hour</p> <p>Short-answer questions with some paragraph-long answers</p>
	Further revision required	None

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Topics covered	<p>Singing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five Shakespeare songs (Quilter) • <i>Personent hodie, A thankful heart, It feels like Christmas</i> <p>Listening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five Shakespeare songs (Quilter) <p>Theory</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using manuscript paper • Triplets • Time signatures <p>Performance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solo singing competition 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	No exam
	Further revision required	None

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Year: 6	Subject – Reasoning	Term – Michaelmas
Topics covered	<p>Non-verbal reasoning (Revision Practice Tests 6):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Similarities • Analogies • Series • Matrices • Hidden pictures • Odd one out • Reflected pictures • Codes • Combined pictures • Nets of cubes <p>Verbal reasoning (Revision Practice Tests 6):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alphabetical order • Synonyms and antonyms • Missing three-letter words • Number sequencing and missing numbers • Sorting information • Match the codes • Analogies • Letters for numbers and letter sequencing • Time problems and true or false statements • Spot / complete the word • Anagrams • Number connections • Date problems • Join two words to make one • Word categories, chains, codes and connections • Odd ones out • Move a letter • Jumbled sentences • Position problems • Compound words: prefixes • 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	No Christmas exam, but the ISEB Common pre-tests in November contain verbal and non-verbal elements
	Further revision required	BOFA online tests ATOM online tests

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