

# The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School

## Sixth Form



### AS Level and A Levels

## Exam preparation and resources 2015/16 for Year 12 and Year 13 students

It is very important that you prepare and revise thoroughly for your Pre-Public Exams (PPEs) in January so that this can provide a solid foundation for success in the summer.

Use this booklet to find out exactly what each subject area has provided in terms of exam materials, resources, useful website links and past papers.

Many subjects have placed this information on **Frog** – so make the most of this valuable resource.

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## **Biology**

**Biology textbook** – contains information on the course content, and practice, application and exam questions for each topic

**CGP biology revision guide** – contains revision notes, and practice and exam questions complete with mark schemes

**Biology exam packs on FROG** - U:\Science\A-Level\Year 12 Biology\XMAS HOLIDAY REVISION or U:\Science\A-Level\Year 13 Biology\UNIT 4 AND 5 EXAM QS (These will be updated before the end of term)

**AQA A level biology past papers online**: <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/as-and-a-level/biology-2410/past-papers-and-mark-schemes>

**Boardworks** – Informative PowerPoints on the biology content, ideal for supplementing notes and consolidating knowledge.

**Kerboodle** – A online learning environment with animations, checklists, and interactive activities on exam questions and mathematical skills required for A level Biology  
<http://www.kerboodle.com/> Username is your first letter of your first name and your last name. All lower case, no spaces. Password is the same until you change it during your first log in.

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jbloggs Institution code: hgu0

**Phillip Allen Magazines** – online articles about modern-day examples of the applications of biology, providing a fantastic resource for reading around the subject and supporting interest and enthusiasm in the course content

<http://my.dynamic-learning.co.uk/>

The Phillip Allen Magazines are accessed via the link on FROG. It's found in the 5<sup>th</sup> tab at the top of the screen as part of the Students, Staff, Parents and Governor Information, and then under the library sub-tab.

## **Business**

### **Year 12 Business Revision Resources**

#### **Useful websites:**

Tutor2u

BBC Business Live (programme)

#### **Frog Resources AS Business:**

Handbook with syllabus

Revision notes for each topic

Exam technique guide

## **Year 13 Business Revision Resources**

### **Useful websites:**

Tutor2u

BBC Business Live (programme)

### **Frog Resources A2 Business:**

Handbook with syllabus

Past papers

Exam technique guide

Materials for Research Theme (Unit 4)

Revision videos (unit 4)

Business Research (unit 4)

## **Chemistry**

All our Question packs and answers are available on frog (Year 12 practice packs have been updated in line with the current specification). On frog we have a set of course notes for both year groups have board works. Lesson power points and other useful documents are to be found on frog also in both Year 12 and Year 13 folders as well as past exam papers.

Good websites for both year groups which are in line with both specifications (should they tick the correct boxes)

<http://www.knockhardy.org.uk/sci.htm>

<http://www.chemguide.co.uk/>

<http://www.rsc.org/learn-chemistry>

<http://www.docbrown.info/>

Year 12 have access to the online textbook.

## **Drama**

The Drama department have made a number of PowerPoint presentations to help students with their exam preparation – this can be found on Frog.

## **Economics**

### **Year 12 Economics Revision Resources**

#### **Useful websites:**

The Khan Academy  
Paj Holden (YouTube)

#### **Frog Resources AS Economics:**

Handbook with syllabus  
Revision notes for each topic  
Multiple choice practice questions  
Old spec past papers (still useful)  
Exam technique guide

### **Year 13 Economics Revision Resources**

#### **Useful websites:**

The Khan Academy  
Paj Holden (YouTube)

#### **Frog Resources A2 Economics:**

Electronic revision guide (which students could print) for both units  
Revision workbooks (electronic) for each unit  
Handbook with syllabus  
Revision notes for each topic  
Past papers  
Exam technique guide

## **English Language**

The AQA websites are the main internet resource for students - there are also revision Power Points on Frog - these will updated before the Christmas holidays.

There will be a revision booklet available for Year 12 and 13 English Language.

### **Year 13:**

The AQA website has loads of advice on the specification, past papers and resources:

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/as-and-a-level/english-language-b-2705>  
<http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/contents.htm#langua>

## **Year 12:**

The AQA website has loads of advice and resources on the new specification:

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/as-and-a-level/english-language-7701-7702>

## **English Literature**

For each text, there will be two folders – One entitled 'Academic Articles' (for students who want stretch and challenge) and the other 'Study Guides' (detailed notes on the texts).

These can be found under FROG DRIVE/ RESOURCES/A LEVEL

LITERATURE/FRANKENSTEIN/MACBETH/PARADISE LOST/A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE

## **French**

### **FRENCH A2 REVISION RESOURCES**

#### **FN3 (Oral Exam)**

- Feedback sheets from previous trial examinations with actions set and addressed.
- Vocabulary lists from A2 French revision booklet.
- Revision of film expose (4 minutes)
- Revision of follow up questions (10 minutes)
- All grammar notes.
- Practice in French Grammar: Michael Gross (All Students have a copy)
- French films/DVD's (Use the MFL Library)

#### **FN4 (Multi Skill Exam)**

- Authentik listening CD. Summary work in English.
- All articles issued by French Language Assistant on the Environment.
- Feedback on translations already completed in class and during previous trial examinations.
- Intensive grammar revision using the above materials.
- Year 13 Autumn Term French Homework Booklet.
- Manon Des Sources: Text and revision of all materials covered.
- All French websites listed in the front pages of the homework booklet.
- Frog-Year 13 French Resources.
- AQA French Resource Book (All students have a copy)
- WJEC Grammar and Translation Book (All students have a copy)

*Students resitting AS modules need to review all AS notes given last year; in addition to the practice materials given this year.*

## **Geography**

Geography Revision Resources

Visit AQA website for past paper exam questions and mark schemes

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/as-and-a-level/geography-2030/past-papers-and-mark-schemes>

Visit FROG > Frog Drive > Documents > Frog Resources > Geography > Y12 Revision

Visit Cool Geography website <http://www.coolgeography.co.uk/advanced/> for revision notes

Recommended book: CGP AS-Level Geography Exam Board: AQA Complete Revision & Practice

## **Politics**

For Politics, both year groups have been given...

- Course textbook
- Course revision guide
- Handbook containing past paper questions

## **History**

Year 12 and Year 13 will be given a list of topics to revise along with the relevant pages in the textbooks and exam questions for each topic. Both Year 12 and Year 13 classes all have two textbooks each for the units which are examined. This information will be given to the students before Christmas.

Y12 students have also been given a revision guide for Year 12 AS Tudor history.

## **Law**

The students have all the materials that they need for revision. They have past papers to work on. The following link enables the students to access a pre-release document which they will be working on next term. Details are:

<http://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/251780-unit-g154-special-study-material-june-2016.pdf>

## **Maths**

All pupils have textbooks with a large number of practice exercises and exam questions with answers available at the back. Additional teaching resources and exam papers are available on Frog.

Teaching and revision websites that the department subscribes to are:

[www.mathswatchvle.com](http://www.mathswatchvle.com) Pupils have their own personal login details for this.

[www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk) The school login is: username: tcws password: ratio

[www.mathsnet.net](http://www.mathsnet.net) The school login is: username: CARDINAL password: e4ga4m

A full range of past papers, mark schemes and worked solutions are available on

[www.examsolutions.net](http://www.examsolutions.net)

## **Media**

Students have access to Power Point presentations that will help to prepare them for their exams. These can be found on Frog.

## **Physics**

Year 12:

Every student is issued with a textbook. This is a valuable source of information, huge number of practice questions with answers for self-evaluation.

### **FROG - Science - A Level - Physics**

Boardworks - interactive teaching material for students to use for help with target areas.

AQA exampro questions with mark schemes - 100's of questions with mark schemes split into relevant topics. - Students are also issued with a hard copy of this for each topic.

Old specification Exam questions with mark schemes - 100's of questions split into relevant topics. - Still very useful.

Y13 A Level - same as above!

Textbook - every student issued with one. Source of information, huge number of practice questions.

### **FROG - Science - A Level - Physics**

Boardworks - interactive teaching material for students to use for help with target areas

Edexcel Exam questions with mark schemes - 100's of questions with mark schemes split into relevant topics. - Students are also issued with a hard copy of this for each topic.

Revision sessions held every Wednesday after school for targeted students. This will be extended to Y12 in the spring term.

### **Product Design**

Exam Preparation for Year 12 Product Design can be found in Frog- Product Design Year 12- Exam Preparation - What you need to know! Use the OCR Website for guidance.

### **Psychology**

Year 12: Approaches Essay Plan Sheet and Research Methods Booklet

Year 13: PSYA4 Revision and Research Methods Booklet

Resources and Power Points have also been placed on Frog.

### **Religious Studies – Philosophy and Ethics**

Past Paper Questions for Philosophy & Ethics have been placed on Frog. Students already have these in their course booklets that they are given at start of the year.

Students at both AS and A2 have access to the 'RS Review' magazine online via Frog. All classes have all been shown how to access this and it offers students an excellent free resource for them to do wider reading and research. (See PowerPoint on Frog for help on how to do this)

The PowerPoint also includes some good textbooks (there are some less good ones out there) and websites for them to consider.



Finally the OCR website (<http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/as-a-level-gce-religious-studies-h172-h572/>) has all recent past papers and reports from examiners etc. This is a tool usually used later in the year once the course has been covered and students are getting into serious revision. It's a bit much too soon for most students at this time of year but they are welcome to have this as an added resource.

Additional resources - an Ethics revision booklet and Ethics + Philosophy syllabus checklists for the students.

## **Spanish**

### **AQA AS Spanish textbook**

This covers the whole course and has a range of Listening, Reading, Writing, Grammar and Translation activities.

### **Kerboodle.com**

Students have own logins to use for this site. It follows the textbook, but contains supporting materials.

### **Workbooks**

Students have been given a reading, listening, translation, essay, speaking and Grammar workbook to use and should be completing weekly activities.

### **Acción Gramática**

Grammar textbook covering all aspects of Spanish grammar with attached exercises to each point.

### **Key ideas for AS A2 Spanish red book**

Students have a copy of this booklet - contains translation materials and a range of opinion phrases and ideas to cover every possible AS A2 topic.

### **www.wjec.co.uk**

Examination board website

### **FROG**

Range of resources including web links, past papers and sound files, revision materials, reading materials to cover all topic and other general resources to support revision. The path to follow is FROG - FROG drive - documents - School documents - languages - Spanish - Year 12.

### **Other resources - (Newspapers / Magazines / TV / radio)**

EL PAIS   EL MUNDO   20 minutos   Antena3   Semana   TVE

## **Travel**

Exam is based on a pre-release material - students have a copy of this pre-release and have been working through this in class.

This alongside their class work and homework tasks mean that students are fully equipped for the exam in January. Past papers are on Frog under 'Travel and Tourism'

Year 13:

Past papers are all on Frog under 'Travel and Tourism'.

The students have the unit photocopied and have all the resources in their exercise books.