



## End of Year Exams at OASB

**Our Year 11s have just finished their GCSE's but for the rest of the school, the end of year exams lie just around the corner...**

All students in Year 7-10 complete an End of Year exam in every subject at Oasis Academy South Bank. End of year exams are an opportunity for students to revise all content from the year and to show their teachers how much progress they have made throughout the year. The exams are completed in the exam hall and students are expected to revise for each subject to prepare them for these exams. Their results from these exams will allow us to look at their progress this year and will be shared with you at your 1-2-1 meeting in September. These results will also be used to decide the class that they go into in the new academic year. Their attendance during this week is incredibly important so that we can get an accurate picture of their progress across all subjects. In this email you will find lots of information about what topics students need to revise and the best ways that you can help support them with this at home.



The Exam Hall at Oasis Academy South Bank

# Revision and How to Prepare for Exams

**How should students revise?** The best way for students to revise is to use their KNOWLEDGE BOOK, LEARNING LADDERS, EXERCISE BOOKS and REVISION GUIDES. If you ask your children they will be able to show you all of these. We advise that students use 'look, cover, write, check' by using their books to learn the content - write it out - test themselves on it by covering it up - and then seeing what they still need to revise. Even better - you can test children on what is in their books and revision guides and see what they can remember!

**Make sure laptops, phones and tables are off and away!** Students should not be revising using a laptop (only for MFL) - the best way to revise is from books. Phones are a distraction and should be kept with parents during the time students are revising!

**How long should students revise for?** We suggest that students should be revising for an hour every day after school and for 2-3 hours at the weekend. It would be a good idea to create a 'revision timetable' with your child to help them organise which subject/topic they are going to revise each night.

**Get some rest!** It is really important that students get lots of sleep and find time to relax at the weekends and evenings as exam week can be stressful. Teachers are always on hand to help if students are worried or want help with anything throughout exam week.

## Some advice from your teachers...

### ENGLISH:

**Year 10:** Should read a book for 30 minutes per night to prepare for their full English Language exam.

**Year 9:** Exam paper on an Inspector Calls, Poetry and Macbeth. All Year 9 students should have received a revision pack from their English teacher to help them prepare.

**Year 8:** Exam paper on Romeo and Juliet and Poetry (+ Post-Assessment on Writing). All Year 8 students will receive a revision pack from their



English teacher to help them prepare.

**Year 7:** Exam paper on Of Mice and Men and Poetry (+ Post-Assessment on Writing). All Year 7 students will receive a revision pack from their English teacher to help them prepare.

*Miss Sale's top tip: ALL students should have a reading book that they read for at least half an hour at home every evening!*



## **MFL:**

**All MFL exams will cover reading, writing and listening in French/Spanish.**

**Year 10:** Topics and vocabulary to revise are: social issues (e.g. homelessness), free time activities, school life, healthy living, rooms of a house, jobs and future plans/my town (Higher Tier only)

**Year 9:** Topics to revise are: holidays, my town, school and future plans. Writing in the past, present and future

**Year 7 and 8:** Spanish: describing myself and others, giving opinions and speaking in future tense

*Miss Gasche's top tip for Year 9 and 10: use Vocab Express for all topics!*

## GEOGRAPHY:

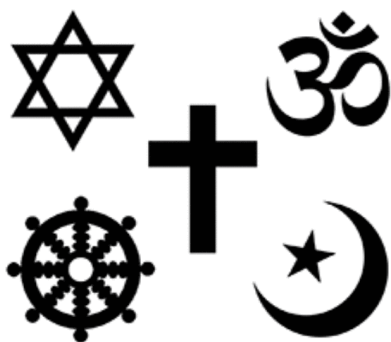
**Year 10:** Challenge of Natural Hazards, Living World (ecosystems), Physical Landscapes in UK (coasts/rivers), Urban Issues/Challenges, The Changing Economic World (development), Fieldwork (x2)

**Year 9:** Challenge of Natural Hazards, The Living World (ecosystems), The Changing Economic World (development)

**Year 8:** Urbanisation, Climate Change, Ecosystems, Globalisation, Coasts, Population & Employment.

**Year 7:** The UK & Map Skills, Natural Hazards, Rivers, Ecosystems, Development, Weather and Climate.

*Miss Martin's top tip: Use the Geography Revision Pack's you have been given to test yourself on the knowledge and answer the exam questions*



## RELIGIOUS STUDIES:

**Year 7:** who is god and what is god like? How do people pray? How do we make moral decisions? Who is responsible for the death of Jesus?

**Year 8:** Topics: How was the world created? Does it make sense to believe god exists? What happens when we die? The problem of evil

*Miss Jacob's top tip: Don't use internet sites for*

*revision - they can have wrong information on them!  
Use your exercise book and the Knowledge Grid for  
each half-term.*

## **SCIENCE:**

**Year 9:** (1) Spend 15 Minutes practising one topic from your Knowledge - then quiz yourself. Highlight any questions you get wrong and turn these into flash cards to re-practice then quiz! (2) Go through each Mastery Matrix learning statement and prove you can do it (3) Complete practice questions in your revision guide.

**Year 7 and 8:** (1) Spend 15 Minutes practising one topic from your Knowledge - then quiz yourself. Highlight any questions you get wrong and turn these into flash cards to re-practice then quiz! (2) Answer the 'exam-style' questions in your revision booklet.

*Miss McGlasson's top tip: Always re-test yourself on questions you got wrong in quizzing until you can get them all right.*

