

Curriculum Bulletin

2nd November 2020

A huge thank you to all our parents, carers, and students.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting our students and the Academy last half term. Last half term we were very proud of our students for settling in well and working extremely hard in lessons and at home. **This half term is a busy half term, please read the bulletin, as there are key important messages.**

Thank you, Mrs Patel – Assistant Vice Principal

Y7, Y10 and Y11 Assessments

- This half term, students in **Y7** and **Y10** will be completing a **“Big Test”** for each of their subjects during normal lesson time. You will receive data on how well they have performed in these tests in January.
- Y10 Big Test timetable has been sent with this bulletin.
- Y7 and Y11 Big Test/Progress Exam timetable will be sent shortly.
- **Y10 Big Tests** will be from **16th November to 23rd November 2020**
- **Y7 Big Tests** will be from **30th November to 4th December 2020**
- **Y11 Progress Exams** will be from **7th December to 18th December 2020**
- All students will receive revision material and knowledge organisers.
- In **January and February**, **Y11** students in **Sports, Enterprise and Health & Social** will be sitting **external exams**.
- In **January**, **Y8** and **Y9** students will sit a **Big Test** for their subjects.

How to prepare for tests and exams?

- **Advice** will be **provided** with the **Big Test timetable** on how students should prepare for their tests. **Please read this with your son/daughter.**

Knowledge Organisers and Retrieval Practice to be used at home

- All **Year 7, 8 and 9** students will receive their **new knowledge organisers** this week which they must look after at home. **Year 10, 11, 12 and 13** students will receive revision guides to keep at home and look after.
- **Reminder:** Students **must use retrieval practice methods** to recall and learn the knowledge from the organisers as part of independent study. They will then **be tested on this knowledge in their next lesson.**

Independent Study at MEA

- A **superb effort** from our students who have put a huge effort into completing independent study at home.
- Next week students will receive an **“Independent Study Exercise Book” to use at home.**
- Parents & Carers Please can we ask that you continue to support us with this by **strongly encouraging** students to complete their independent study and by checking their completion of independent study on ClassCharts.
- **It is expected that Y7, 8, and 9 students complete 1 hour of independent study + 20 minutes reading for pleasure each night.**
- **It is expected that Y10, 11, 12 and 13 complete 2 hours of independent study + 20 minutes reading for pleasure each night.**
- **REMINDER: ALL STUDENTS, PARENTS AND CARERS MUST HAVE LOGGED IN TO CLASSCHARTS BY NOW.**
- If you require further information on independent study or ClassCharts, please look at the following page on our website.
<https://www.manchesterenterpriseacademy.org.uk/604/independent-study>

Learning at Home Remotely on Microsoft Teams if in self-isolation and well



- **NEXT WEEK WE WILL BE HOSTING LIVE ZOOM SESSIONS ON “HOW TO USE MICROSOFT TEAMS WHEN LEARNING FROM HOME”.** PLEASE **SIGN UP** ONCE YOU RECEIVE THE DETAILS
- **Reminder:** If your son/daughter is **self-isolating** and is well, he/she **must log in to Microsoft Teams** (students have been provided with login details) and **complete the lessons uploaded** by their teacher. They **must follow their timetable** from the previous day and complete the assignments set.
- For further guidance see our website or contact their LCC.
<https://www.manchesterenterpriseacademy.org.uk/2002/remote-learning>

Reminder: Subject Apps to support student's learning

To support learning and progression, each subject has suggested apps which students should download and use. These apps can be found below. **Please encourage your child to download these apps and use them to support their learning.**

Subject	Name of App	Year Group	App Link
Art/Textiles/3D/Photo	Pinterest	All (Essential for GCSE)	https://www.pinterest.co.uk/
Geography	BBC Bitesize	All	Search BBC Bitesize in app store or use the link https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects
History	BBC Bitesize	All	Search BBC Bitesize in app store or use the link https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects
History	School History	All	https://schoolhistory.co.uk/ks3/
Maths	TTRockStars	Y7-10	www.ttrockstars.com (Login details from teachers)
Maths	Hegarty Maths	All	www.hegartymaths.com (Login using name and date of birth)
Maths	PiXL	All	https://mathsapp.pixl.org.uk/
PE	Daydream Education	All	https://apps.daydreameducation.com/pocket-poster-revision-guides/gcse-physical-education/content/
PE	EXi	All	https://www.nhs.uk/apps-library/exi/
Science	23 Equations	10 and 11	Search 23 Equations in app store
Science	BBC Bitesize	All	Search BBC Bitesize in app store
Spanish	Duolingo	All	https://www.duolingo.com/
Spanish	Linguascope	KS3	https://www.linguascope.com/apps/ (Username: MEA Password: Valencia)