

May 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

I would like to take this opportunity to say well done to all The Ruth Gorse Academy students for the excellent progress they have made this academic year. Students consistently show excellent attitudes to learning in lessons and this is also reflected in the high standard of homework they produce. As a result, students have been making excellent progress. This would not be possible without the hard work of our staff that relentlessly strive to produce outstanding, personalised lessons and ensure students are receiving regular, high quality feedback.

As we move in to the second half of the summer term, students at the academy will be undertaking end of year exams, called the Master's Examination. This is an extremely important stage of their life at The Ruth Gorse Academy because not only does it prepare them for the GCSE examination, it also provides them with the opportunity to demonstrate how much progress they have made whilst at The Ruth Gorse Academy.

The Master Examinations will commence from the 12 June 2017 and span over two weeks. During these two weeks, all year groups will be undertaking a Master's Exam for the following subjects:

- English (Literature and Language)
- Mathematics (Calculator and non-Calculator)
- Science (Chemistry, Biology and Physics)
- History
- Geography
- R.E
- French (Reading, Writing and Speaking)
- Design Technology and Information Technology

All exams will take place in the Sports Hall with the intention of replicating the GCSE examination. Each year group have their own examination timetable which has been attached with this letter. It is imperative that students arrive to their examination early, especially the morning exams which commence at 8.25am.

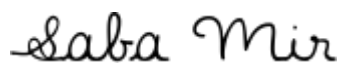
During the examination period, students must arrive at school with all their equipment, planner and books. Students can only bring a transparent pencil case into the hall. If they don't have one, then they must carry a black pen, pencil, ruler and rubber in their hand. If specialist equipment is required for an exam, for example a scientific calculator, this will be given to students in the examination hall. Students will be allowed to take a bottle of water into the exam, again this must be in a transparent bottle.

All year groups have been part of an assembly outlining strategies that can be used for developing memory and producing revision notes. I have included some examples with this letter, for your information. Please support your child with developing revision material at home and encourage them to develop a revision timetable in preparation for the Masters Examination.

Student wellbeing is of utmost importance to us and is also an integral factor in academic success. We would ask you to please ensure your child eats a healthy breakfast in the morning, drinks plenty of water throughout the day, gets enough sleep and that they build in breaks between the end of the school day and revision after school. Your child's form tutor or their subject teachers are always available to discuss this in more detail with them if they would like to do so.

If you have any further questions in relation to the Master's Examination or revision strategies, please don't hesitate to contact me or your child's Head of Year.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Saba Mir".

Miss S Mir
Assistant Principal

Master's Exam Timetable

Year 8 and 9 Masters: w/c 12 June 2017

Period	Monday 12 June	Tuesday 13 June	Wednesday 14 June	Thursday 15 June	Friday 16 June
Registration	Y8 English Exam 1 (1 hour)	Y9 R.E (1 Hour)	Y9 History (1 Hour)	PSHCEE Day 3	Y8 Geography (1 hour)
1	Y8 French Writing (1 hour)	Y9 English Exam 1 (1 hour)	Y8 R.E (1 hour)		
2	Y9 Mathematics Exam 1 (1 hour/2h for 9.1)	Y8 English Exam 2 (1 hour)	Y8 Mathematics Exam Paper 2 (1 hour)		Y8 French Listening (1 hour in classrooms)
3		Y8 Science (50 minutes)			
4	Y8 History (1 Hour)	Y8 Mathematics Exam Paper 1 (1 hour)	Y9 Geography (1 Hour)		Y8 French Reading (1 Hour)
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After School					

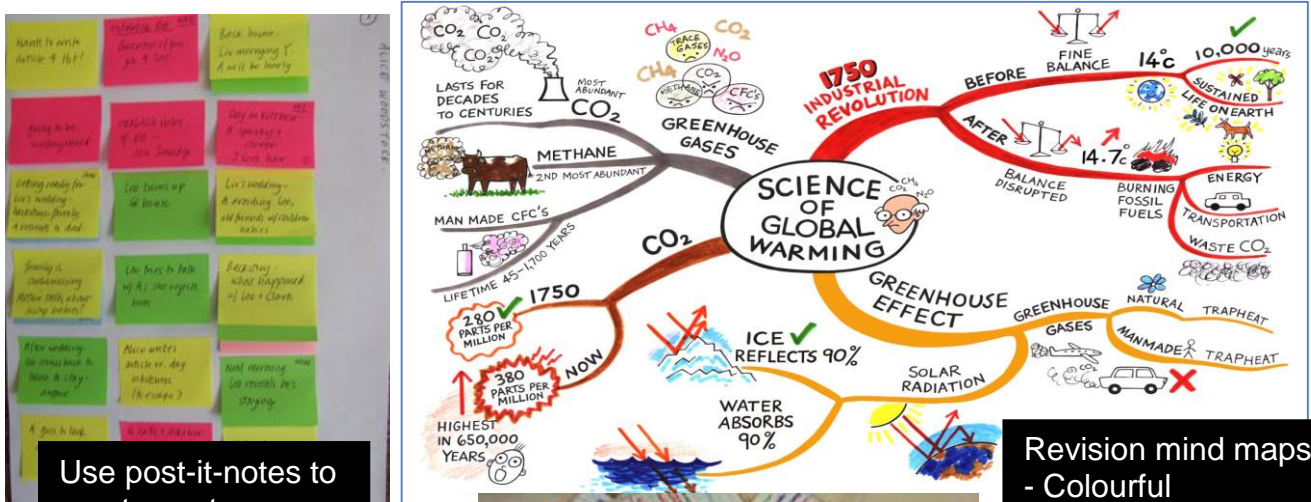
Year 7 and 9 Masters: w/c 19 June 2017

Period	Monday 19 June	Tuesday 20 June	Wednesday 21 June	Thursday 22 June	Friday 23 June
Registration	Y9 Science Exam 1 (50 minutes)	Y7 Science (50 minutes)	Y7 Maths Exam 2 (1 Hour)	Y7 History (1 Hour)	Y7 Geography (1 Hour)
1	Y9 French Listening (1 hour in classrooms)	Y7 Maths Exam 1 (1 Hour)	Y9 English Exam 2 (1 Hour)	Y7 French Writing (1 hour)	Y9 Science Exam 3 (50 minutes)
2	Y7 English Exam 1 (1 Hour)	Y9 Science Exam 2 (50 minutes)	Y7 French Listening (1 hour in classrooms)	Y9 French Reading (1 hour)	Y9 Mathematics Exam 3 (1 Hour/2 hours 9.1)
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4	Y7 English Exam 2 (1 Hour)	Y7 R.E (1 Hour)	Y7 French Reading (1 hour)	Y9 Mathematics Exam 2 (1 Hour/2 hours 9.1)	Y9 French Writing (1 hour)
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After School					

Example Revision Timetables:

					Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
19 th May AM: Maths PM: Statistics	20 th May AM: Maths PM: Maths	21 st May AM: Maths PM: Maths	22 nd May MATHS EXAM	23 rd May AM: Free PM: Statistics	24 th M AM: F PM: P	At School					11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00
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6 th June AM: Free PM: Statistics	7 th June AM: Free PM: Free	8 th June AM: Free PM: Free	9 th June AM: Statistics PM: Statistics	10 th June AM: Statistics PM: Statistics	11 th Jun AM: Free PM: Free	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	11:00 12:00 13:00 14:00 15:00 16:00 17:00 18:00 19:00 20:00 21:00 22:00	
12 th June STUDY LEAVE ENDS	13 th June AM: Free PM: Statistics	14 th June AM: Free PM: Statistics	15 th June STATS EXAM	Revision Timetable: 19 th May – 15 th May								

Example Revision Materials:



Use post-it-notes to create posters.

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FINDING THE VOLUME
Find the area of the front of the shape

Volume : Front × Width
Volume : 30cm² × 2
60cm³

Question Cards

2CM
FRONT = 8 × 2 = 16
DON'T FORGET TO HALF
IT = 8CM²

VOLUME = FRONT × WIDTH
Volume : 8 × 5
40 cm³

Revision Cards

- Revision mind maps:
- Colourful
 - Images/diagrams
 - Key terms
 - Chunking information
 - Topic Title in the middle