Year 8





SECONDARY SCHOOL KEY ASSESSMENT 1

TIMETABLE AND REVISION GUIDANCE 13TH OCTOBER 2025 – 24TH OCTOBER 2025



For any queries relating to individual subjects, please email the relevant class teacher or Head of Faculty. If you have any queries relating to assessments or you would like further information regarding Key Assessments, please do not hesitate to email Alex Holmyard at AHolmyard@kingstoneacademy.co.uk.

Please find a timetable of when your Key Assessments are taking place for each subject. They are during your timetabled lessons on that day. It is a good idea for you to highlight your particular key assessments.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1				8B2 Drama	8B1
					Geography
					8A1 Drama
Period 2	8A DT				8B2
					Geography
Period 3				8A2 Drama	8A2
					Geography
					8B1 Drama
Period 4	All Science		8A Food		All English
			written		Writing
Period 5				8B Food	8A1
				written	Geography

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1		8Bco Computer science 8B Food Practical		8A1 History	8A2 Music
Period 2	8Aco Computer science 8A Food Practical		All Maths		8B1 Music
Period 3		8B1 and 8A2 History	8B Art	8B Art 8A1 Music	8B2 History
Period 4		8B2 Music 8A Art	8B PE		All English Reading
Period 5				8A PE	

Art & Design

Exam Length	50-minute lesson
Topics to Revise &	Drawing assessment- each student will complete a still life drawing of an insect using a view finder. The students will plan and prepare in the lesson before hand to gain feedback and guidance.
Success Criteria	The students will be assessed on the key drawing skills they have learnt this half term: • Quality of line • Detail • Accuracy • Shading
Resources (including useful websites	Your sketchbook – you will be allowed this during the assessment. KHS Drawing Revision Guide.pptx

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Computer Science (this is a termly rotation)			
Exam Length	One lesson		
Topics to Revise	Python programming:		
	- Assigning and changing variables		
&	- Using print() and input() functions		
	- Using selection (if statements) and iteration (while loops)		
Success Criteria	Clear messaging in digital media:		
	- Features of a poster		
	- Slide decks		
	- Reviewing digital products		
Resources	Teams workbook		
(including	Oak national academy videos and resources		
useful websites	W3schools.com/python		
	Thursday lunchtime coding club (m12)		

Design Technology (This is a termly rotation)

Exam Length	
Topics to Revise	Making assessment- each student will complete a practical element to show the use of correct tools and safety measures needed to be successful.
&	
Success Criteria	The students will be assessed on skills they have learnt this half term, looking at: . Accuracy . Quality of finish . Skill level
Resources (including useful websites	

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Drama Each performance will be 5 minutes in length (approx) Exam Length Topics to Practical assessment- Characterisation seven deadly Revise sins performance. & In groups of 5-7 you will devise your own storyline based on the characters of the 7 deadly sins. You will aim to Success display your knowledge of the key skills learnt this term. Criteria These include Expression characterisation powerpoint-updated 24.pptx Resources (including (sharepoint.com) useful websites

English

Exam Length	55 minutes
Topics to Revise & Success Criteria	'Animal Farm' by George Orwell The Key Assessment will feature a quiz recapping your knowledge of the text, 'Animal Farm'. The main part of the exam will be an extended answer on a character from the text. Success Criteria Make a clear point using the words from the question Used evidence from the text to support your point Explained what the evidence suggests Use Orwell's name in your answer Mention how the reader reacts Accurate use of SPaG Make use of keywords including tyrant, manipulator, cruel
Resources (including useful websites	 Your exercise book 'Animal Farm' Knowledge Organiser Animal Farm - Knowledge Organiser.pub BBC Bitesize Animal Farm by George Orwell - BBC Bitesize For punctuation and grammar practice: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zr6bxyc

Food (This is a termly rotation)

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Exam Length	60 minutes	
Topics to Revise	Practical Assessment	
& Success Criteria	Each student will take part in a practical lesson where they will be assessed on the skills and knowledge developed throughout this half term. During the assessment, students will demonstrate their ability to:	
	 Work safely and hygienically Select and use the correct equipment Operate a cooker confidently and correctly Apply effective knife skills Work at an efficient and consistent pace Work independently with minimal guidance 	
Topics to Revise	Written Assessment	
&	Each student will complete a written assessment to demonstrate their	
Success Criteria	knowledge and understanding of food safety, nutrition, and key ingredients studied this half term. The assessment will test their ability to explain, apply, and evaluate these topics. Students will be expected to:	
	 Explain how food safety practices prevent contamination and foodborne illness Describe the role of bacteria in food spoilage and illness, and how their growth can be controlled Distinguish between macro nutrients (carbohydrates, proteins, fats) and micro nutrients (vitamins and minerals), explaining their functions in the body Identify the importance of cereals in the diet, including their nutritional value and uses in food preparation Describe different types of raising agents (biological, chemical, mechanical, steam) and explain how they work in cooking and baking 	
Resources (including useful websites	Lesson Booklet Websites:	

• BBC Bitesize – Food Preparation & Nutrition

Covers food safety, nutrition, raising agents, sustainability, multicultural foods, and dietary needs: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

Food Standards Agency (FSA)

Guidance on food safety, bacteria, hygiene, and food labelling: https://www.food.gov.uk

NHS Live Well

Nutrition, dietary needs, healthy eating across life stages: https://www.nhs.uk/live-well

• British Nutrition Foundation

Detailed resources on macro/micronutrients, cereals, raising agents, and sustainable diets: https://www.nutrition.org.uk

Videos & Interactive Learning:

 YouTube: CrashCourse Nutrition & Food Safety – Short educational videos on nutrients, food safety, and sustainability

French

Exam Length	45 mins – 50 mins	
Topics to	TV programme and film vocabulary	
Revise	Giving opinions and justify your views	
	Talking about what you do online	
&	Using the perfect tense to talk about what you have done in the	
	past	
Success		
Criteria	 SUCCESS Criteria write short sentences Use a range of common connectives to link my sentences. express opinions write short paragraphs, Sequence my writing to add detail and structure - I justify what I say -explaining why I like or do an activity I can use negatives to say what I don't like I can use the perfect tense to say what I did yesterday 	
Resources	Year 8 language guide – all students have one	
(including	Key questions from this terms work	
useful		
websites	BBC bitesize	
	Quizlet – to revise key vocabulary	
	<u>www.languagesonline.org.uk</u> - to revise the perfect tense and	
	vocabulary	

Geography

Exam Length	55 Mins
Topics to Revise	The focus of this assessment will be on the work we have been doing this half term on Volcanoes and whether they are a blessing or a curse: Topics covered include:
&	 The structure of the earth including the different layers The main continents and tectonic plates
Success Criteria	 The distribution of volcanoes The different types of plate boundary The effects of the Montserrat and Iceland volcanoes, including how and why they differ Why some people live near volcanoes What can living near people do – The 3Ps of Prediction, Protection and Planning
Resources (including useful websites	Your main focus for revision should be your exercise book

History

Exam Length	50 minutes
Topics to Revise	The beliefs of James I about kingship, witches and religion. The Causes of the English Civil War
&	Source Analysis:
Success Criteria	 Content: describe two things learned from the content and related it to usefulness Caption: Provenance – describe two things that the provenance (in the caption) has told me and how it related to usefulness Context: Own Knowledge: explain something I already know about the topic and referenced it to the source (context). I have commented on the usefulness of this. Written lots of accurate historical information that is relevant to the enquiry topic. Conclusion – a clear statement on the overall usefulness, of the source.
	 A well-developed narrative that organises material into a sequence (correct order) of events that ends with the results of the event. The account of events analyses the links between them and is clearly and logically structured Includes accurate and relevant information, showing excellent knowledge and understanding of the key features of the events. All key words are used correctly
Resources (including useful websites	Key Assessment 1 Revision - Stuarts and Civil War Sharepoint folder – knowledge organisers and text book pages.

Mathematics

Exam Length	35 marks
Topics to	Index Laws
Revise	Simplifying Expressions: multiplication and division
	Solve One Step Equation: addition and multiplication
&	Solve Two Step Equations
a	Solve Three Step Equation
Success	Solve Equations with Unknowns Both Sides
	Solve Complex Equations
Criteria	Calculate Percentage of Amounts
	State Multiplier: Increase and decrease
	Calculate Percentage of Amounts
	Problem Solving: Scaling
	Direct Proportion
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Resources	Use your SPARX login to find the video and related support
(including	for each topic. Use the guide on the KHS website.
useful	
websites	You can also use:
	Corbettmaths for extra videos and questions.
	ixl.com for explainers and other questions.

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	Science		
Exam Length	40 minutes		
Topics to	Revise for Key Assessment 1 which is on 13th October during your normal		
Revise	Science lesson. The test will cover the key concepts met in science so far. This		
&	includes cells, particles, energy, forces and working scientifically. You could use https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p for help		
Success	when revising.		
Criteria			
Resources	Year 7 and Y8 exercise books.		
(including	www.seneca.com,		
useful	www.Educake.co.uk,		
websites	Cognito - YouTube		

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Music

Exam Length	Approx. 2 minute long performance
Topics to	<u>Practical assessment – Performance</u>
Revise	
	You will need to perform the 12 Bar Blues on the keyboard.
&	
	Keyboard: You will need to perform the 12 Bar Blues with the chords in
Success	the right hand with the walking bassline in the left hand.
Criteria	
	You will be assessed on how accurate, fluent and steady your
	performance is.
	You should use the correct fingers (RH: thumb, middle, pinkie or 1,3,5
	and LH: pinky, middle, pointer, thumb, twist to pointer and back down
	again or 5, 3, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 3)
	You should keep the beat steady.
	Notes must all be accurate and transition between chords fluent.
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Resources	YEAR 8 MUSIC - THE BLUES 2025.pptx
(including	9. Blues Performance Assessment .pptx
useful	Blues Keyboard Piece
websites	3. Blues Primary Chords.pptx
	<u>Ukulele 12 Bar Blues Including Tab.pdf</u>
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Physical Education

Exam Length	2 hours
Topics to Revise	Assessing skills in isolation and in competitive situations in sports covered this term.
&	Boys' groups – Rugby (Passing, Tackling, Rucking, Mauling, Scrums)
Success Criteria	Girls' groups – Badminton (Serves, clears, drop shots, knowledge of rules and scoring systems)
Resources (including useful websites	Rugby club – Tuesday after school

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	Religious Education		
Exam Length	50 minutes		
Topics to Revise &	Creation – Should Christians take their role as stewards of Creation more seriously? ? Genesis 1 and 2.		
Success Criteria	 Beliefs – What do Christians believe about: God and creation The role of humans as stewards Evidence – Learn some quotes from Genesis to support your discussion of beliefs Actions- Christian and humanist responses to looking after the planet – A Rocha, Eco Church, Humanist Climate Action. Decide – Argue whether Christians have more responsibility to look after the planet than humanists. 		
	Success Criteria: •Describe the Genesis stories and explain why they are important in the Bible •Define what Dominion and Stewardship mean in Christianity •Discuss what Genesis 1 and 2 teach Christians about being human and their roles. •Provide examples of how Christians act as good stewards both in groups and as individuals •Explain how Christians use Genesis 1 and 2 to care for the environment •Argue whether Christians should take their responsibilities as stewards more seriously •Share your thoughts on how to protect the planet, using reasons from what we've learned		
Resources	8.1 Creation - Christians, Humanists and Creation		
(including	Sharepoint folder including all the lesson powerpoints and the KO.		
useful	Genesis 1-2 NIV - The Beginning - In the beginning God - Bible		
websites	Gateway The Bible chapters. Chris Tomlin - Indescribable (Lyrics) (youtube.com) Worship song		
	based on the belief in a creator God.		