

11-20 March
**British
Science
Week
2022**



British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering, and maths that will take place between 11-20 March 2022!

At Endeavour we are postponing our 'Science Week' until after the GCSE exams but in the meantime if you want to whet your appetite with the kinds of activities we will be getting up to then click on this link.

<https://www.britishtscienceweek.org/>

8th March was 'International Women's Day. In school we highlighted women scientists who have changed the way we live, including:



Rosalind Franklin, whose research was fundamental to understanding the structure of DNA.



Zoologist Anne McLaren, one of the pioneers of modern genetics, whose work was instrumental to the development of in vitro fertilization.



And Sally Ride, the third woman in Outer Space.

KEY DATES

Inset Day Friday 25th March - Students not in – Staff Only

Half Term

Monday 11th April – Friday 22nd April

Return to School

Monday 25th April



As part of employability, students have been working with Groundworks on a project called The Key Fund.

The aim of the key fund is to:

Boost employability skills

Raise confidence

Give students the opportunity to plan, organise and take part in a social activity.

If students have been successful the school will receive £250 for the project.

The activities planned this year are:

Prom

Bowling and Italian

The life centre and food

If the school receives the money, it will go towards the student choice which at the moment is

The Prom and a meal out.



In order for the school to receive the £250, students had to present a presentation to a panel of judges and explain why they wanted the money and what they would use it for.

We are just awaiting to hear back if we have been successful, we will keep you all updated.

Year 10 Mock Exams – We are planning mock examinations for year 10 to take place after Easter, our provisional dates are w/c 2nd May and 9th May.

Exam Support for Parents / Carers

Top Tips:

1. Find a good revision technique

Every child learns in a different way, whether this be using flash cards, drawing mind maps, or comprehension.

Discussing with your child on what works best for them is important so they can learn effectively. If you struggle to identify what works best, speak to the learning mentors, or teachers to help!

2. Encourage breaks from revision.

It is essential to find a balance of relaxing and studying. This allows better concentration during study time, alongside easing anxiety and stresses.

Finding activities / techniques to do with your child which they enjoy and find relaxing.

3. Provide Emotional Support

Ensure you are **encouraging your child to talk** about any worries or stressors they may have. Reassure that their feelings are **valid and normal**.

Assist in **providing solutions** to some feelings – such as if they are feeling overwhelmed and struggling to concentrate, take them for a break such as a walk.

4. Remain Hopeful and Positive

It is so important for children to **believe in themselves** during the exam period to achieve the best of their ability. Reinforce that you are and will **be proud of them no matter what happens**.

If you, or your child is suffering with stress or anxiety and cannot manage this, speak to your GP.

Exam Season is very stressful, for both students and parents. It is important everyone feels well supported.

We are here to help at Endeavour Academy with any concerns / worries you may have.

Exam Support for Students Top Tips:

Finding a Good Revision Technique:

Using *flash cards, drawing mind maps, or comprehension* Find what works best for you by trialling them all and discuss with your teachers on other examples!

Motivation Tips:

1. **Make a timetable** – set out what you are going to do each day and stick to it as much as possible.
2. Use **website blockers** to prevent you from going on social media while you are revising – Self Control / Cold Turkey. OR put your phone on Do Not Disturb.
3. **Leave yourself a treat** in random pages of textbooks – then when you get to that page you have a reward!

Take a break!

When you are revising, ensure you are taking **regular, short breaks!** This increases concentration and allows revision to be more beneficial to you.

Activities such as going for a walk, reading a book or talking to a friend are helpful.

This can decrease your anxiety and help you become grounded again.

Get some support!

If you're feeling really worried or anxious, talk to friend, family member, or teacher! It helps to get it out of your system, and they may well be able to help by offering practical solutions to deal with exam stress.

GCSE Exam Timetable - Summer 2022

Date	Start Time	Awarding Body	Exam Title	Duration of Exam
Tues 10 May	9.00am	LIBF	Unit 3: Financial Capability, Work and Enterprise	1 hr
Tues 17 May	9.30am	AQA	Combined Science Trilogy – Biology Paper 1 (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 15 mins
Wed 18 May	9.30am	AQA	English Language – Paper 1 (Creative Reading and Writing)	1 hr 45 mins
Wed 18 May	1.00pm	BTEC	Digital Creative Media Production	1 hr
Fri 20 May	9.30am	Edexcel	Maths – Paper 1 Non Calculator (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 30 mins
Mon 23 May	1.00pm	Edexcel	Citizenship Studies – Paper 1	1 hr 45 mins
Wed 25 May	9.30am	AQA	English Literature – Paper 1 (Poetry Anthology) <i>(Part 1)</i>	50 mins
		AQA	English Literature – Paper 1 (Modern Prose / Drama) <i>(Part 2)</i>	50 mins
Fri 27 May	9.30am	AQA	Combined Science Trilogy – Chemistry Paper 1 (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 15 mins
STUDENT HALF TERM (30th May – 3rd June 2022)				
Tues 7 June	9.30am	Edexcel	Mathematics – Paper 2 Calculator (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 30 mins
Wed 8 June	9.30am	AQA	English Literature – Paper 2	1 hr 45 mins
Thurs 9 June	1.00pm	AQA	Combined Science Trilogy – Physics Paper 1 (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 15 mins
Fri 10 June	9.30am	AQA	English Language – Paper 2 (Writers' Viewpoints & Perspectives)	1 hr 45 mins
Mon 13 June	9.30am	Edexcel	Mathematics – Paper 3 Calculator (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 30 mins
Tues 14 June	1.00pm	Edexcel	Citizenship Studies – Paper 2	1 hr 45 mins
Wed 15 June	9.30am	AQA	Combined Science Trilogy – Biology Paper 2 (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 15 mins
Mon 20 June	9.30am	AQA	Combined Science Trilogy – Chemistry Paper 2 (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 15 mins
Thurs 23 June	9.30am	AQA	Combined Science Trilogy – Physics Paper 2 (Tiers F/H)	1 hr 15 mins
Wed 29 June	<i>National 'Exams Contingency Day' students must be available on this day</i>			

EXAM RESULTS DAY - THURSDAY 25TH AUGUST 2022

Reminder to all parents and carers

As a school we have access to fabulous resources to help us keep young people safe online which we regularly share with you via the School Ping App.

We would like to remind you that as well as those for schools, The National Online Safety organisation have specific courses and other resources for parents and carers to access from the comfort of their own homes.

Please get in touch with us if you require support in accessing their site.



We are hoping to send out monthly newsletters, if there is anything you would like to see included, please contact Mrs Emma Wilson 0191 5185595 or email enquiries@endeavouracademy.co.uk