



December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we are approaching the end of the first term, I would like to share with you important information about the Year 9 exams.

Exams will run from 17.4.2024 – 26.4.2024, please see the attached timetable for each teaching group. Maths Paper 1 will be a calculator paper, Maths Paper 2 a non-calculator paper. For English Paper 1, students will be given a text to read and questions will be based on this text. For English Paper 2, students will be asked to write a story based on a theme that will be given in the paper.

This is an ideal time for us to formally assess students on what they have studied in terms 1 and 2 and ensure support is provided to students in their transition to Key Stage 4. For Maths and Science, the outcome of the exams will also count towards the initial setting in Year 10.

These exams will be taken in normal lessons under formal exam conditions. This is to provide the opportunity for students to become acquainted with the rules and expectations of public exams.

Students will be preparing for these exams in lessons, during tutor time but also during regular, independent study time at home. Students are encouraged to incorporate a revision timetable into their homework timetable.

In terms of revision materials, I suggest the following:

- Memrise, Duolingo, Linguascope for French/Spanish
- Mathswatch
- Reading a range of books and newspaper articles for English
- BBC Bitesize website (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z4kw2hv>).

Please note that students will not be provided with specific topic revision lists. Students are tested on all the topics studied between September 2023 and March 2024. A copy of the curriculum map and learning journey for each subject, which list all topics studied and in which order, is available on our website: <https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/subjects/>.

Results of these exams will be formally shared in the Progress Update 3 report at the end of the academic year, although teachers will share results with students prior to this in lessons, once all exams for a subject have been marked and moderated.

We recognise that the exam period can be worrying and stressful for students and your child's wellbeing is our main priority. Please contact your child's tutor or year team if you have any concerns.

I hope these exams will be a valuable experience for your child and I wish them every success.

Yours faithfully,

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YEAR 9 CORE EXAMS TIMETABLE 2024 ALL CLASSES

9x1	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1				English Paper 1						
2										
3			Maths Paper 1					Physics		English Paper 2
4				French		Maths Paper 2	Chemistry			
5			Biology							
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

9x2	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1				Spanish	Physics		English Paper 1			
2										
3			Maths Paper 1	Biology						
4						Maths Paper 2				
5									English Paper 2	Chemistry
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

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9y1	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1			English Paper 1			French				
2									Physics	
3				Maths Paper 1			Chemistry			
4					Biology					English Paper 2
5								Maths Paper 2		
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

9y2	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1			Chemistry			English Paper 1				
2					Physics				English Paper 2	
3				Maths Paper 1						
4										
5							Spanish	Maths Paper 2		Biology
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

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9z1	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1					Maths Paper 2	English Paper 1	Physics		French	Biology
2			Maths Paper 1							
3				Chemistry						
4								English Paper 2		
5										
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

9z2	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1					Maths Paper 2					
2			Maths Paper 1	English paper 1			Spanish			
3								Biology		English Paper 2
4			Chemistry			Physics				
5										
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

9z3	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1					Maths Paper 2					
2			Maths Paper 1						English Paper 2	Chemistry
3					Biology					
4										
5				English Paper 1			French	Physics		
	15.4.24	16.4.24	17.4.24	18.4.24	19.4.24	22.4.24	23.4.24	24.4.24	25.4.24	26.4.24

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