

DWS/ JBW 5 March 2024

Dear Blaise Families,

Year 10 continues to make us proud every single day through their commitment to learning in each of their KS4 subjects – we truly believe that they are the hardest working students in Bristol. We know that the effort and hard work they are currently putting into their studies will lead to excellent outcomes at the end of Year 11.

As we approach the end of Unit 2, students will have the chance to measure themselves against the required KS4 standard in each of their subjects.

Assessments will be held from **Monday 11th March to Friday 22nd March.** Over the assessment fortnight, the following KS4 subjects will run one 45-minute assessment per subject, based on the content taught so far in Year 10:

- Computer Science
- Engineering
- English
- French
- Geography
- History
- Maths
- Religious Studies
- Science
- Spanish

BTEC subjects and Art will report progress using a current performance grade based on all work completed this year.

It is vital that your child attends school for all of their assessments, just as they should do every day. If there is an unavoidable situation that means your child misses school during this period, please email <u>info@blaisehighshool.co.uk</u> with the subject 'Unit 2 assessments' so we can attempt to rearrange for them. We will be running daily catch-ups but please note that there is no guarantee that absent children will be able to sit catch up assessments. The best way to ensure that your child accesses all assessments is by helping them to be in school on time every day.

On Thursday, your child will receive an **assessment timetable** outlining when their assessments will be. To ensure that they are fully prepared for each assessment, we also produce an **Assessment Manifest**. These are designed to outline the key topics and specific revision resources to help them revisit the content. As a parent/carer, you can support your child by ensuring that they spend 1 hour a night revising these topics during the assessment period. You can find a copy of the assessment timetable and the Year 10 Assessment Manifest on our <u>website</u>.





On Friday 19th April, your child's Unit 2 Assessment Report will be shared on the MCAS app. Your child will also receive a printed report to bring home. This will show how well your child has performed in each subject. Students may move groups in Maths, English and Science, depending on their assessment scores.

If you haven't signed up for the MCAS app, please find information <u>here</u> on our website. If you require further support, please email <u>info@blaisehighshool.co.uk</u> with the subject 'MCAS app'.

On Monday 22nd April, students will receive their new timetables with their new Maths, English and Science groups.

Thank you for the guidance you give to your child every single day. All of your support makes a difference: every encouraging conversation you have with them; every time you insist they do their homework at the kitchen table so you can see that they are working without any distractions – all of these moments allow them to achieve the best possible set of outcomes at KS4.

Good luck to all of our students throughout the assessment window, we're excited to see what scores you can produce!

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Williams Assistant Headteacher



