

St Mary's College - Exam Revision Guidelines 2009

Planning for revision

1. Create a grid in which to write your subjects and examination requirements:

You need to know exactly what you are required to do in each examination. Draw up a grid with 2 columns and enough rows for all your subjects that have examinations. e.g

Subject	Examination requirements
Y13 English	Unfamiliar texts (1 x prose, 1 x poem 1 x compare & contrast), 3 x literature essays (<i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> , <i>Much Ado about Nothing</i> , <i>The Constant Gardener</i>)
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Maths	
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Write down all your subjects in the first column and in the second column write down what you will be required to do in the examination for that subject. If there are any gaps in your grid, you need to clarify with your subject teacher what will be in the examination.

2. Look at your subject and examination requirements grid. You will need to put time and effort into revising for all your subjects but now you need to identify which topics need the most revision. Have 2 different coloured highlighters. In 1 colour highlight the examination requirements that you think will need the most revision. In another colour highlight the examination requirements that you are reasonably confident about but will still need an appropriate amount of revision.

Creating a revision timetable

3. Using the revision timetable on the next page:

Put in all your regular commitments (e.g. Wednesday 5-5.30pm piano lesson) and make sure that you timetable in free time for yourself—time to eat, sleep and relax.

Allocate specific 30 minute blocks to each aspect of a subject which you need to study (e.g. Monday 4-4.30: ENGLISH - Revise *The Constant Gardener* and create practice essay plan).

St Mary's College - Exam Revision Timetable

Times (pm)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4.00 – 4.30					
4.30-5.00					
5.00 – 5.30					
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6.00 – 6.30					
6.30 – 7.00					
7.00 – 7.30					
7.30 – 8.00					
8.00 – 8.30					
8.30 – 9.00					

Times	Saturday	Sunday
8am – 9am		
9am – 10am		
10am – 11am		
11am – 12pm		
12pm – 1pm		
1pm – 2pm		
2pm – 3pm		
3pm – 4pm		
4pm – 5pm		
5pm – 6pm		
6pm – 7pm		
7pm – 8pm		