



Parents information evening: Working together to maximise student success.

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School Focus 2017/18

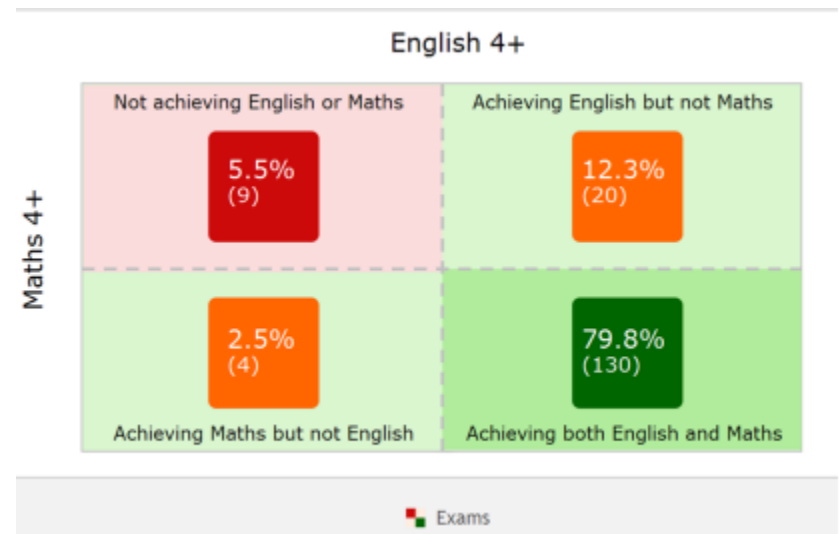


'Student achievement at John Colet continues to go from strength to strength with 5 A to C grades, including mathematics and English improving by 10%. These results reflect the hard work and dedication of both staff and students'. Miss Palmer.*



Student Achievement 2017 Examination Performances

- **GCSE :**
 - 78% 5+ A* to C (9 – 4) (2016: 74%)
 - 75% A* to C (9 – 4) including English and Maths (n.b Boys 73% Girls 77%) (2016: 65%)
 - 20% of the grades were A* or A
- **AS Level:**
 - 36% A to C
- **A Level:**
 - 68 A* to C





School Focus 2017 / 2018

Student Progress:

- Ensure that all students make good or better progress in all subjects.
- Attainment of boys / girls, stretch the upper ability, support for FSME6 and SEND.
- Promote a 'can do' culture where students are supported to extend themselves.

Quality first teaching:

- What happens in the classroom really matters.

Positive attitudes to learning:

- Clear, consistent, respectful and equitable.

Post 16:

- Student achievement, moving more C grades into B's.



Grades at GCSE

Number grades from 1 to 9

- All subjects will now be assessed on this grading system.
- ‘5’ is a ‘good pass’ and equivalent to an upper grade ‘C’.
- ‘4’ is seen as a standard pass.



The Home – School link

- Year 10 is about developing ‘good’ habits both inside and outside of school.
- We accept that students work at a sub – optimal level, that is working as close to their target grade as possible, but some days will be better than others.



The Home – School link

- Do the best work, first time.
- Stick to deadlines;
 - create a homework timetable
 - use the planner and Show My Homework.
- Be prepared for revision.
- Arrive at school on time and are prepared to learn.
- Don't ban extra curricular activities – this is too important to help your child manage their stress.



The Home – School link

- Where revision is concerned take the “little and often” approach as its never too early to start.
- Be organised – files, timetable, plan.
- Make topic summaries.
- Make class books revision friendly.
- Useful Web Sites include the GCSE Bitesize.
- Turn off / time limit social media.



eat. sleep. revise. And repeat.



Getting Enough Sleep

- Between 12 and 18 years old the recommended amount of sleep is 8.5-10 hours sleep
- Quality of sleep is just as important as the quantity of sleep
- Sleep cannot be 'caught up' at the weekend!





Avoiding a 'War'

- Negotiate a set of '***Rules for Homework***' that you can both live with.
- Talk about whether combining homework or revision with music, social media, twitter etc... will help or hinder them.
- Be prepared to compromise.
- If it works their way – fine.
- Have a trial period and review of '***Rules for Homework***'



Final tips

- Agree regular 'check – in's where you agree to discuss progress in each subject.
- By doing this, it avoids a situation where a progress report from school may reveal any unwanted surprises.



English: Results overview

- 92% of students achieved a grade 9-4 (upper A*-C) in an English
- GCSE qualification.

- 87% achieved 9-4 in English Language (national 70%)

- 86% achieved 9-4 in English Literature (national 73%)



English: Specification.

Students will have to sit 4 exams in summer 2019

English Language exams:

- Analysis of a fiction text and descriptive writing (1h 45)
- Analysis of 2 non-fiction texts and argumentative/persuasive writing (1h 45)

English Literature exams:

- *Macbeth* and *Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde* (1h 45)
- *An Inspector Calls*, anthology poetry and unseen poetry (2h 15)

Students will not be able to take texts into the exams so they will need to learn quotes to use in their essays



English: Out of class support.

- Attend revision sessions – Thursdays from 3-4pm
- Homework must be completed to the best of the students' abilities
- Speak to their teachers for help



English: Revision tips.

- Read the texts, make quote banks and learn these quotes
- Watch film / TV versions of the texts to help enhance their understanding



Maths: Results overview.

- 82% of students achieved a grade 9-4 (upper A*-C) in
- Mathematics (national 71%)
- 86% achieved A* - C in Statistics (national 71%)



Maths: Specification

- Exam Board = EDEXCEL
- 3 papers.
 - 80 marks each
 - 1 non-calculator paper + 2 calculator papers
- Higher tier: grades 9-4
- Foundation tier: grades 1-5
- Minimum grade requirements for entry to post 16 education is Grade 5. If this is not achieved, students will need to continue with GCSE Maths post Year 11 ****



Maths: Out of class support.

GCSE Year 10

Higher & Foundation Support Tuesday 3-4pm:

Mrs Lynch in MA6:

Support and help with exam preparation or homework

Revision sessions in Year 11

Every Wednesday from 3-4pm

Grade 7-9 sessions Saturday morning

9-12pm: Mrs Passaro

3 sessions to be announced



Maths: Revision tips

- **Student tracker sheet following the mocks/in class past papers:** Please use this to identify topics that need revisiting.
- **Maths Staff:** Operate an open door policy and are available for help- just come and find us!
- **MathsGenie.co.uk:** Past papers and past paper questions on individual **topics**.
- **Mymaths.co.uk:** Maths Boosters- these tasks provide students with the opportunity to cover the key Grade 5, 6 and 7 Grade topics.
- Login: colet
- Password: vertex
- **Corbett Maths:** Maths videos with worksheets attached and answers. www.corbettmaths.com



Science: Results overview

- 80% of students achieved a grade A* to C in a Science GCSE qualification.
- 100% achieved A* to C in Biology (National 90%)
- 100% achieved A* to C in Chemistry (National 90%)
- 100% achieved A* to C in Physics (National 91%)
- 66% achieved A* to C in core Science (National 48%)
- 70% achieved A* to C in Additional Science (National 58%).



Science: Specification

- Exam Board = **AQA**
- The course is entirely exam based and all exams are at the end of Yr11.
- Students taking combined science will have 6 x 1hr 15 minute exams.
- Students taking separate science will have 6 x 1hr 45 minute exams.



Science: Specification

- The results of the Yr10 exams and the Yr11 mocks will be used to decide if separate or combined science is the best option for students in set 1.
- They will also be used to decide the best tier of entry for your child on combined science. (Higher paper grades 9-4, foundation paper grades 5-1).
- They are also an important milestone; the revision for these exams will be a strong basis for their final revision.



Science: Specification

- Separate Sciences - Biology, Chemistry and Physics.
- Only available to students currently in set 1.
- Combined Science – Trilogy.
- Available to students in set 1 - 3



Science: Revision tips.

- Excellent focus in lessons and on homework.
- myGCSEscience.com videos and past paper questions.
- Kerboodle.com - electronic copy of the textbook.
- Purchased revision guides.
- AQA.co.uk - legacy past papers can be useful (although not a perfect fit).



Dates for your diary.

- **Elevate Seminar**
– 5th October 2017
- **Year 10 Maths assessments**
– 10th to 13th October 2017
- **Mock Exams**
– 21st February to 28th February 2018
- **Parents evening**
– 3rd May 2018
- **Work Experience**
– 2nd to 6th July 2018



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