



Ethical, Equity, Empathy, Excellence, Evolution, Endurance

The Five Islands Academy is an all-age, multi-site, Church of England Academy, serving the island communities of Bryher, St Agnes, St Martin's, St Mary's and Treco. It is part of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership.

Tuesday 23 January 2024

Year 8 Assessments

Dear Parents,

This week, our secondary students will be beginning to sit assessments in many of their school subjects. We have two formal assessment points during the year (now and in the Summer Quadmester), which are a great opportunity for students to demonstrate and be proud of the progress they have made so far in all their subjects, producing some lovely pieces of writing, excellent artworks, knowledgeable quiz answers and skilful calculations.

The assessments will take place during students' usual lessons, spread out over Weeks 7, 8 and 9 of the Quadmester to ensure that children do not have too many assessments in a day. Teachers are making sure that students know what they need to prepare or revise during class time and for homework, in line with their usual homework timetable. To help you support your child, there is an assessment timetable below, and some information about the type of assessments that are being set in each subject. We hope you are able to access this information to support and encourage your child to do the best they can.

We take care to ensure that students are well-prepared, well-supported and feel this is an opportunity to shine, not a stressful 'high stakes' test environment. All teachers liaise with Mrs Jewell to make sure that children with additional needs are supported appropriately. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's tutor or me (emilybanfield@fiveislands.org) if you would like to know more.

Yours faithfully

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Week 7B	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday					
Tuesday				Maths	Maths
Wednesday		Computer Science	French		
Thursday		RWV			
Friday					
Week 8A	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday		English			French
Tuesday			Music	History	
Wednesday	DT Group 1	Computer Science			
Thursday		RWV		Geography part 1	
Friday		Geography part 2	Drama		
Week 9B	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday	Science				
Tuesday	PE				
Wednesday	DT Group 2				
Thursday					
Friday					

Subject	Assessment and preparation
English	Essay about Malvolio in Twelfth Night: All preparation and planning will be completed in class.
Maths	Mock GCSE Paper
Science	End of unit standard test - 7E Separating techniques
French	Writing - translation. Dynamo end of Module 2. Preparation completed in class.
History	GCSE style question: Why were Royalists and Parliamentarians killing each other on Tresco in 1651? Explain your answer.
Geography	Students will be going to Old Town Beach on Thursday 1st Feb to conduct fieldwork, and will be writing up their fieldwork in a GCSE-style assessment the following day.
RWV	In class assessment with the assessed outcome integrated into classwork.
DT	Multiple choice GCSE equivalent questions
Music	Junk Performance - you will need your own homemade junk or vegetable instrument as this is part of your assessment .

Computer Science	Google Form on topics covered during this quadmester.
PE	Match Play and Video analysis - Badminton + Table Tennis (Practical)
Drama	Romeo & Juliet performance - all preparation in class