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*Equity, Excellence, Evolution*

*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 Treasco.  
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### **Year 9 Quadmester 2 Assessments**

Dear Parents,

Next week, our Year 9 students will begin to sit assessments in many of their school subjects. We have two formal assessment points this year, 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 artwork, knowledgeable quiz answers, and skillful calculations.

The assessments will happen in students' usual lessons, spread out over Weeks 9 and 10 of the Quadmester to ensure that children do not have more than one or two assessments daily. 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 take care to ensure that students are well-prepared, and well-supported and feel this is an opportunity to shine, not a stressful 'high stakes' test environment. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's tutor or me ([emilybanfield@fiveislands.org](mailto:emilybanfield@fiveislands.org)) if you would like to know more.

Yours faithfully,  
Emily Banfield

*All aboard! Navigating together*

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| Week 9         | Period 1 | Period 2 | Period 3                 | Period 4           | Period 5  |
|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Mon 27 Jan     | Science  |          | Geography                | Computing          | Computing |
| Tues 28 Jan    |          |          |                          |                    |           |
| Wed 29 Jan     |          |          | Religion & Worldviews    | English            |           |
| Thurs 30 Jan   |          |          |                          | French Listening   | Art       |
| Fri 31 Jan     |          | Maths    | Drama                    |                    |           |
| <b>Week 10</b> |          |          |                          |                    |           |
| Mon 3 Feb      |          | Music    |                          | Computing          | Computing |
| Tues 4 Feb     |          |          | History project complete |                    | Maths     |
| Wed 5 Feb      |          |          |                          |                    |           |
| Thurs 6 Feb    |          |          | French Reading           |                    | Art       |
| Fri 7 Feb      |          |          |                          | History Exhibition |           |

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| English                | Write a piece of creative speculative fiction, a successful piece will: Have a strong character, give a clear picture of a different world, consciously craft using language and structure, including circular structure. Have paragraphs, capital letters and full stops, as well as a variety of other punctuation. Use varied sentence types. |
| French                 | End of Module 2. We will be revising in lessons. All the end-of-module vocabulary and grammar will be on Firefly Q2W8  |
| Mathematics            | Foundation paper 2 - calculator paper  |
| Science                | 35 mark GCSE Biology paper on growth, specialised cells and neurotransmission  |
| Computer Science       | Students will be assessed on spreadsheet formulas and their ability to use Excel spreadsheet software..  |
| DT                     | Multiple choice questions on topics covered so far.  |
| History                | Students will be assessed on their homework projects researching the 1930s in their choice of country, through an exhibition of their work. They have also already completed a piece of extended writing in class analysing sources and interpretations of Stalinist Russia.   |
| Geography              | Students completing GCSE-style exam questions based around our topic: How is healthcare geographical?.   |
| Religion & World Views | Students will complete a short paper of GCSE style questions in response to EQ and using learning from their Q2 lesson enquiry   |
| Art                    | Use the 2 periods to create a final piece based on your final piece plan we will create and your sketchbook and previous work this term for inspiration.   |
| Music                  | Pupils will complete a theme tune for a video game character using GarageBand.   |
| PE                     | All pupils complete a variety of fitness tests. This will be in the form of a circuit based activity testing components of fitness   |