



*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 Tresco. It is part of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership.*

Thursday 11th September 2025

### **Y9 Key Information and Guidance**

Dear Parents,

To support you and your child, we have drawn together the information below as a checklist and guide.

We are working towards confirming the exact dates so those outlined below are subject to change if needed. We will inform you of any changes as quickly as possible. All the events below are fully inclusive and appropriate adjustments will be made accordingly by liaising with students and parents.

What	When and Where	Responsibility	Outcome
College and Careers Convention 2025 Delegate Fair	FIA St Mary's base. Thursday 9th October 2025	Mr Garratt, FIA staff and delegates	Students and parents are invited to a Careers exhibition to meet post-16 providers and representatives from the world of work and higher education.
Quadmester 1 Data Reports	Week commencing 24th November 2025	All teachers	Parents will receive a data update from all teachers on their progress, effort and homework for the first quadmester.
Quadmester 2 Assessments	19th Jan-30th Jan 2026	Students	Students will sit the end of quadmester 2 assessments in all subjects. More information will be sent out regarding preparation for these.
Options Evening	Online 5th February 2026	All teachers Mrs Banfield/Mrs Lewin leading the meeting	Parents and students will have a presentation from each member of staff exploring all of the subjects available for KS4 Options. A schedule will be shared prior to the event with timings for each subject.
Quadmester 2 Data and Written Reports	Week commencing 2nd March 2026	All teachers	Parents will receive a written update from all teachers on their progress, effort and homework for the second quadmester. This

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			will contain next steps too from the most recent assessment for each subject.
Year 9 Parents' Evening	FIA St Mary's Base / online 19th March 2026	Parents, Students and Teachers	Parents meet with teachers and tutors to discuss their child's progress in all subjects. Data reports will be shared each quadmester.
Options Process	March - April 2026	Students, Parents, Teachers, Mrs Banfield	Following the Parents' Evening, students will commence on the process of choosing their GCSE options. This will be in two stages: initial preferences submitted and then final choices from Options Blocks created to meet these preferences as far as is possible. Full GCSE choices will be agreed by May 2026.
999 Week	May 2026	Students, Tutors, Community Partners	Students will benefit from a series of PSHE workshops up at the Garrison organised in partnership with the community police team, Barnardos and WithYou. Date to be confirmed.
Quadmester 3 Data Reports	Week commencing 18th May 2026	All teachers	Parents will receive a data update from all teachers on their progress, effort and homework for the third quadmester.
Summer Exams	29th June-10th July	Students	Students will sit the Summer assessments in all subjects. More information will be sent out regarding preparation for these.
Bronze D of E	Week commencing 13th July	Students, Ms Stromberg	Eligible students who participate will develop independent living skills including cooking, planning their time and preparing for the trip.
Ripple Effect	Week commencing 20th July 2026	Students, Tutors, RJ Working	Students will work for three days with our restorative practice partners, RJ Working, to develop positive relationships, respect and responsibility as they move into Key Stage 4 as role models and leaders for the school.
Quadmester 4 Data Reports	Week commencing 20th July 2026	All teachers	Parents will receive a data update from all teachers on their progress, effort and homework for the fourth quadmester.

Your feedback throughout this year on reports and assessments is really important and we welcome the communications.

Yours faithfully,

Emily Banfield

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