Coursework and Controlled Assessment Timetable 2026 -2027

Coursework (CW)

Although some subjects dedicate class time to modular coursework it is mainly written work produced by the student independently and in their own time.

Controlled Assessment (CA)

Controlled assessment is a new approach for those subjects that require internal assessment.

It is a tightening of the circumstances in which candidates, over a period of time, complete those aspects of the subject that are usually marked by their teacher.

Please see the JCQ Guidance on the use of AI: AI Use in Assessments: Your role in protecting the integrity of qualifications

Year 11

Subject	Type	Dates	Description
Art	CA CA CA CA	Sept-March: Component 1 Part A March-June: Component 1 Part B January exam May exam	Exploratory Portfolio (25%) Investigating the Creative and Cultural Industries (35%) 1 day (9 periods) 1 day (9 periods)
Digital Technology	CA	February - June	**Preparation** for Controlled Assessment which will take place in Year 12.
Drama	CA	Nov - June	Devised performance/log book - in class and at home
English Language	CA	All year	Talking and Listening assessments all year in class time (final tasks worth 20%)
Moving Image Arts	CA	September - June Task 1 - Storyboard October/November Task 2 - Camera and Editing November-February Task 3 - Sound March Task 4 - Animation April/May	Component 2: Acquisition of skills in Moving Image Production. 20 % of final marks Component 2 consists of 4 tasks that will be assessed in class time throughout the academic year. The 4 tasks will be submitted for moderation in the Summer of Year 12.
PE	CA	Practical Assessment	Ongoing in Class

Year 12

Subject	Type	Dates	Description
Agriculture and Land Use	CA	September-April	Ongoing in class and homework throughout the year. Students complete two controlled assessment tasks (50% of GCSE): Practical investigation task (20%) Research project (30%)
Art	CA CA CA CA	Sept-January: Component 1 Part B January-April: Externally Set Assignment January exam April exam	Investigating the Creative and Cultural Industries (35%) Working to Stimulus (40%) 1 day (9 periods) 10 hours
Digital Technology	CA	October - March	Unit 5 - 36 hours CA. 30% of GCSE. Research and preparation at home and Python programming task with Word Report to be completed during timetabled lessons.
Business Communications	CA	Sept - Dec	Unit 3 - 20 hours CA. 25% of GCSE. Completed during timetabled lessons.
Biology	CA and Exam	Unit 3 Practical Skills (2 externally marked papers)	January: Practical Booklet A - 2 hour practical exam based on 2 of 9 prescribed practical classes covered during the GCSE course June (as per CCEA examination timetable) Practical Booklet B - 1 hour written exam based on all 9 prescribed practical classes covered during the GCSE course 25% of GCSE

Business Studies	CA	September - October 2026	12-hour research task to complete a Planning Booklet (Booklet A) on Planning a Business during class time in September - October. 1 hour write up in exam conditions in class time in February/March 2027 - Booklet B - 45 marks. Total of 60 marks available, worth 20% of GCSE.
Chemistry		Unit 3 Practical Skills (2 externally marked papers)	January: Practical Booklet A - 2 hour practical exam based on the 9 prescribed practical classes covered during the GCSE course May - June (as per CCEA Examination Timetable): Practical Booklet B - 1 hour written exam based on all 9 prescribed practical classes covered during the GCSE course 25% of GCSE
English Literature	CA	Term one	Shakespeare essay on the theme of family. Write up in class, 2 hours in November. 20% of final GCSE.
English Language		Sept - Feb half term	Talking and Listening, all year in class Talking and Listening 20% final GCSE
		Sept-Nov	12B3 Spoken Speech Environment Written CA (10% of GCSE)

Drama	CA	Sept - March	Scripted performances
Food and Nutrition	CA	September-February	On-going in class and for homework as appropriate. One task: Component 2: Practical Food and Nutrition Practical Examination - Week beginning 5th October The completed task contributes 50% of the marks for this subject.
Modern Languages		Speaking exams for all languages will be conducted in April 2027	GCSE Speaking Task 1 (25%) This is a teacher-conducted and externally marked speaking examination. There is one tier of entry. The test lasts 7–12 minutes, plus 10 minutes of supervised preparation time. Each test includes: two role-plays, both from the same Context for Learning; and a general conversation on two topics, one from each of the other two Contexts for Learning. Each role-play lasts up to 2 minutes and each conversation topic takes up to 4 minutes. Students prepare the first conversation topic in advance from the Context for Learning prescribed by CCEA.
Motor Vehicle and Road User Studies	CW	Sept - May	Unit 2 Investigative Study to include research and a written report on a moving traffic situation. Unit 3 Practical Riding Activity to include the opportunity to use a moped to demonstrate practical skill of vehicle control and roadcraft.

Moving Image Arts	CA	Sept - April	Component 3: Planning and Making a Moving Image Product. 40% of final mark. Students will produce a Film or Animation Portfolio that they will develop in class throughout the academic year. They will submit their portfolio in April for external moderation.
Music	CA	Sept-April Composition 1 due January 5th 2027, Composition 2 due April 6th 2027	On-going in class. Two composition tasks worth 32.5% of overall award CCEA moderation submission date May 5th 2027
PE	CA	Practical Assessment and Analysis Performance	Ongoing in Class
Physics		Unit 3 Practical Skills (2 externally marked papers)	12th January: Practical Booklet A (7.5%) - 2 hour practical exam based on 2 of 9 prescribed practicals plus skills covered during the GCSE course. June Examinations: Practical Booklet B (17.5%) - 1:15 hour written exam based on all 9 prescribed practical and skills covered during the GCSE course In all worth 25% of the GCSE.
Technology	CA	Hours and prep completed through parts of Y11 and throughout year September - end March	Unit 3 Design and Manufacturing Project. Students complete a design project comprising of a design portfolio and an associated manufacturing task. 50% of GCSE.

Year 13

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Art	CW CA CA	Sept- Jan exam May exam	On-going in class and home throughout the year 1day (9 periods) 10 hours
Biology	CW Exam	Sept-April May/June	12 Practical write ups that are marked internally - the best 7 scores are submitted to CCEA. AS Paper 3 - questions based on practical knowledge and skills developed during the course of AS Units 1 and 2. 25% of AS 10% of A level
Chemistry	Practical exam	May/June (as per CCEA timetable)	Practical booklet A consists of a variety of practical tasks. Students take the assessment in the laboratory. Practical booklet B consists of a variety of questions testing knowledge of practical techniques, observations and calculations. Students take the examination in an examination hall. 20% of AS 8% of A Level
Health & Social Care	CW	Unit AS1&2 - Submission March/April 2027	**Unit 1 Promoting Quality Care** A 5000 word written report **Unit 2 Communication in Health, Social Care and Early Years Settings** A 5000 word written report.

Modern Languages	Oral Exam	GCE AS Modern Language Speaking Tests April / May 2027	Unit 1: 30 % of AS level AS 1: Section 1: students give a presentation based on an AS level theme related to an aspect of a Spanish-speaking country or community. (approximately 3 mins) Section 2: conversation (approximately 8 mins) Total time: 11 mins Conducted and marked by an external examiner.
Moving Image Arts	CW	September-April	AS Foundation Portfolio 60%. This includes a written Statement of Intentions and Evaluation (1800-2600 words), Pre-production planning (storyboards, script and shot list), Director's Notebook (10-20 pages), a short film narrative (3-5 minutes live action or 1.5-2 minute animation).
PE : BTEC Sport Extended Certificate	CA	May/June	Unit 2 Fitness Training
PE (A Level)	Practical & CW	Ongoing to March/April 2026	Unit 2 16% of final mark
Physics	Practical Exams	Unit 3 Practical Techniques and Data Analysis 2 Papers (2hrs)	Completed during Summer exams. 1 hour practical assessment (4 tasks) 1 hour written paper, experimental skills and analysis. 20% of AS / 8% of A2
Software Systems Development	CW	1 C# Project Nov – March	AS Unit 2, 50% of AS(20% of A2). Completed as classwork and homework.
Technology	CW	Sept - May	Unit 2 Product Development. Analysis, redesign and manufacture of a product task 50% of AS 20% of A2.

Year 14

Subject	Type	Dates	Description
Art	CW CA CA	Sept-May Jan exam May exam	on-going in class and home throughout the year 1 day (9 periods) 15 hours
Biology	CW Exam	Sept - April May/June	7 Practical write ups that are marked internally - the best 5 scores are submitted to CCEA. A2 Paper 3 - questions based on practical knowledge and skills developed during the course of A2 Units 1 and 2. 12% of A level
Chemistry	Practical exam	May/June (as per CCEA timetable)	Practical booklet A consists of a variety of practical tasks. Students take the assessment in the laboratory. Practical booklet B consists of a variety of questions testing knowledge of practical techniques, observations and calculations. Students take the examination in an examination hall. 20% of A2 (12% of A Level)
Digital Technology	CW	Oct - March	1 project using MS Access for Unit 2 of A2. (20% of A2). Completed as classwork and homework.

English Literature	CW	Sept - Feb	20% Prose comparison - 2500 word essay on two texts Friday 20 October- submit proposal and precise essay title Thursday 26th October- Submit detailed essay plan Tuesday 28th November- Submit first draft Tuesday 20th February- submit final draft.
Health & Social Care	CW	Unit A2:2 & 5 Final Submission March/ April 2027	**Unit A2:2 Body Systems & Physiological Disorders** A 5000 word written report **Unit A2:5 Supporting The Family** A 5000 word written report
Modern Languages	Oral exam	GCE A2 Modern Language Speaking Tests April / May 2027	Unit 1: 18% of A level Section 1: Students introduce and discuss one individual research project based on a region of a Spanish-speaking country or community. (approximately 6 mins) Section 2: conversation (approximately 9 mins) Total time: 15 mins Conducted and marked by an external examiner.
Moving Image Arts	CW	September-April	A2 Advanced Portfolio 60%. This includes a written Illustrated Essay and Evaluation (2000-2700 words), Pre-production planning (storyboards, script and shot list), Director's Notebook (10-20 pages), a short film narrative (4-7 minute live action or 2-3.5 minute animation).

Music	CW	September - April One Composition 2-3 minutes in length Submission April 6th 2027	Submission to CCEA Moderation May 4th 2027
Nutrition and Food Science	CW	October to February	A research task resulting in a 4000-word report. On-going in class and for homework.
PE : BTEC Sport Extended Certificate	CW	Assignment Briefs for Units	Deadlines throughout the year
PE (A-Level)	Practical & CW	Ongoing to March/April 2026	Unit 4 24% of final mark
Physics	Practical Exams	Unit 3 Practical Techniques and Data Analysis 2 x 1 hr papers	Completed during the summer exams 1 hr practical assessment (2 tasks) 1 hr exam on experimental techniques and analysis of results. 12% of A2
Software Systems Development	CW	1 project based on a Case Study. Dec – March	Unit 2 of A2, 30% of A2. Completed as classwork and homework.
Technology	CW	Sept - May	Unit 2 System Design and Manufacture Task to include a portfolio and manufactured project 30% of A2.