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# NEWSOME FAMILY UPDATE



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## COMMUNITY MEMO: KEY DATES FOR HALF TERM 5

➤ 21ST APRIL 2025

Dear Families,

Here is a list of some key dates for this half term:

- Y11 French speaking exams – Tuesday 22nd – Friday 25th April
- Y10 Mock interviews – Wednesday 30th April – Friday 2nd May
- **Y11 GCSE exams begin – Thursday 1st May**
- Bank Holiday (school closed) – Monday 5th May
- Y11 Revision timetable begins – Wednesday 7th May
- Y7 Parents evening – Tuesday 13th May
- New Y7 Transition evening – Thursday 22nd May

Please check our website on a regular basis for all updates regarding trips, visits an events.



# CALENDAR

January	February	March	April	May	June
1 We <small>New Year's Day</small>	1 Sa	2 Su	3 Mo	4 Tu	5 We
2 Th	3 Mo	4 Tu	5 We	6 Th	7 Fr
3 Fr	4 Tu	5 We	6 Th	7 Fr	8 Sa
4 Sa	5 We	6 Th	7 Fr	8 Sa	9 Su
5 Su	6 Th	7 Fr	8 Sa	9 Su	10 Mo
6 Mo	7 Fr	8 Sa	9 Su	10 Mo	11 Tu
7 Tu	8 Sa	9 Su	10 Mo	11 Tu	12 We
8 We	9 Su	10 Mo	11 Tu	12 We	13 Th
9 Th	10 Mo	11 Tu	12 We	13 Th	14 Fr
10 Fr	11 Tu	12 We	13 Th	14 Fr	15 Sa
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12 Su	13 Th	14 Fr	15 Sa	16 Su	17 Mo
13 Mo	14 Fr	15 Sa	16 Su	17 Mo	18 Tu
14 Tu	15 Sa	16 Su	17 Mo	18 Tu	19 We
15 We	16 Su	17 Mo	18 Tu	19 We	20 Th
16 Th	17 Mo	18 Tu	19 We	20 Th	21 Fr
17 Fr	18 Tu	19 We	20 Th	21 Fr	22 Sa
18 Sa	19 We	20 Th	21 Fr	22 Sa	23 Su
19 Su	20 Th	21 Fr	22 Sa	23 Su	24 Mo
20 Mo	21 Fr	22 Sa	23 Su	24 Mo	25 Tu
21 Tu	22 Sa	23 Su	24 Mo	25 Tu	26 We
22 We	23 Su	24 Mo	25 Tu	26 We	27 Th
23 Th	24 Mo	25 Tu	26 We	27 Th	28 Fr
24 Fr	25 Tu	26 We	27 Th	28 Fr	29 Sa
25 Sa	26 We	27 Th	28 Fr	29 Sa	30 Su
26 Su	27 Th	28 Fr	29 Sa	30 Su	31 Mo
27 Mo	28 Fr	29 Sa	30 Su	31 Mo	
28 Tu					
29 We					
30 Th					
31 Fr					

Y11 MOCK EXAMS

Y7-10 YEAR END EXAMS

Y11 REAL EXAMS

WE ARE HERE

5 WEEKS

UNTIL

NEXT

BREAK

GCSEs START 1st MAY  
GCSE results day in 2025 is Thursday, August 21 when you collect your results

# HALF-TERM EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL ORGANISATION

Facilitate your child's memory development by:

- Looking through our [Curriculum Plans](#) to see the bigger picture.
- Going through the [Study Support Pack](#) with you.
- Going through the [Knowledge Organisers](#) and testing your knowledge



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## WEEK 1 – WEEK STARTING 21st April 2025

MONDAY	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
TUESDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams
WEDNESDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams Shakespeare Day
THURSDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams
FRIDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams

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ARE  
HERE

## WEEK 2 – WEEK STARTING 28th April 2025

MONDAY	Whole school seminar - Routines
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	Y10 Mock Interviews
THURSDAY	Y10 Mock Interviews
FRIDAY	Y10 Mock Interviews TBC

## WEEK 3 – WEEK STARTING 5th May 2025

MONDAY	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	Y11 Revision Timetable starts
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	Y10 Innerscope trip to Canary Wharf

Y11 GCSEs

## WEEK 4 – WEEK STARTING 12th May

MONDAY	Whole School Seminar - Wellbeing
TUESDAY	Y7 Parents Evening
WEDNESDAY	Bronze D of E training
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	

Y11 GCSEs

## WEEK 5 – WEEK STARTING 19th May

MONDAY	Whole School Seminar – Culture Day
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	Transition Evening 1
FRIDAY	Culture Day – non-uniform to represent your culture

Y11 GCSEs



# WE OFFER A RANGE OF CLUBS FOR FUN AND LEARNING THAT STUDENTS CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF...

## Extra-Curricular Activities: Summer Term 1 24/25 (3-4pm)

DAY	CLUB	LOCATION	STAFF	P6 Wk A	P6 Wk B
MONDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Athletics - Y7 – 10</li> <li>2. Homework Club</li> <li>3. Cooking Club</li> <li>4. DOFE</li> <li>5. Algebra L3 Drop In – yr10 invite only</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Field- Astro</li> <li>2. 608</li> <li>3. 602</li> <li>4. 402</li> <li>5. 407</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HRA/SMT/GEA</li> <li>2. DTU</li> <li>3. GCO</li> <li>4. GEA/JDA</li> <li>5. MAS</li> </ol>	MFL BUISNESS	HISTORY GEOGRAPHY
TUESDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Wheelchair Sports – Invite only</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sports hall</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SCU</li> </ol>	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
WEDNESDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Homework Club</li> <li>2. Girls Football</li> <li>3. Cricket Nets</li> <li>4. BSL Club</li> <li>5. Computing Club</li> <li>6. Ukulele Club</li> <li>7. Carnegie Reading Club</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 608</li> <li>2. Astro</li> <li>3. Sports hall</li> <li>4. 803</li> <li>5. 608</li> <li>6. 402</li> <li>7. Library</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. DTU</li> <li>2. External/LST</li> <li>3. JDA</li> <li>4. DCR</li> <li>5. OMO</li> <li>6. EC</li> <li>7. DHA</li> </ol>	MATHS	MATHS
THURSDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GCSE Art – KS4 only</li> <li>2. Homework Club</li> <li>3. Music Club</li> <li>4. Rounders</li> <li>5. Sparx Club</li> <li>6. Photography Support Yr 10 ONLY</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 609</li> <li>2. 60</li> <li>3. 402</li> <li>4. Field – Astro</li> <li>5. 406</li> <li>6. 601</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. LSN</li> <li>2. NMA</li> <li>3. AMC</li> <li>4. SMT/HRA/GEA</li> <li>5. EBU</li> <li>6. AME</li> </ol>	SCIENCE	SCIENCE
FRIDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Climbing</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gym</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. LST</li> </ol>	OPTION C	OPTION B



# EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

## 3PM-4PM





Independent learning will be set as per the timetable below for each year group to ensure it is spread out across the week. Failure to complete homework to an acceptable standard will be recorded on ClassCharts.


	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7*	7NEW MFL	English	Science	Maths	7SOM MFL
Year 8*	8NEW MFL	8SOM MFL	Maths	English	Science
Year 9*	MFL	Science	English		Maths
Year 10	English Option C	Maths	MFL Option D	Science	Hums
Year 11	Maths	MFL Option D	English	Hums Option C	Science

- Due to A/B Week timetables, classes in Years 7-9 will receive Hums and VTC homework at different times each week.



## HOMEWORK CALENDAR





Here is a reminder of the resources that are on offer to you whilst learning at home. Students are lucky enough to get above and beyond that of most schools and it's important these are taken advantage of for success.

### KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7,8,9)

#### KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

This is broken down per each half term and contain content and questions to work from home on.

#### HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

This supports time management at home and a guide for Teachers so work issuing is not given all in one go.

### KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10& 11)

#### EXAM BOARD LIST

The list on the previous page offers guidance of the vast range of online resources such as past papers etc. This should be used as a guide.

#### REVISION GUIDES

ALL students have/will been given **FREE** guides which they should have at home. There's no excuses for loss

### WIDER SUPPORT

ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE LINKS | WELLBEING APPS | INDEPENDENT STUDY GUIDES



# HOME LEARNING





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Attendance Matters		
100%	0 DAYS	0 LESSONS MISSED
99%	1 DAY	5 LESSONS MISSED
98%	3 DAYS	15 LESSONS MISSED
97%	1 WEEK	25 LESSONS MISSED
96%	1.5 WEEKS	35 LESSONS MISSED
94%	2 WEEKS	50 LESSONS MISSED
93%	2.5 WEEKS	65 LESSONS MISSED
92%	3 WEEKS	75 LESSONS MISSED
90%	3.5 WEEKS	90 LESSONS MISSED

Current Whole school to date = 93.3%

WEEKLY WINNERS!!!! (W/C 31/3/25)

Year 7 – 7GAU

Year 8 – 8ADO

Year 9 – 9LDE

Year 10- 10HRA

Year 11- 11BOA

**BEST Year group = Year 9**





# THIS WEEK'S SEMINAR



Year Group updates



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## YEAR 7 MEMO: 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025

### LAST WEEK

Year 7 thoroughly enjoyed the **road safety** performance. It was funny and exciting with a serious message. Students loved it!

Students learned about **stereotypes** in our weekly RSHE seminar and the difficulties around labelling themselves and others.

### THIS WEEK

We celebrated all of the amazing work and great things that Year 7 students have been doing this half term in our **end of term rewards** seminar. Well done to all students who received an award – we are proud of you!



### NEXT WEEK

We return to school on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

Students will receive a new **knowledge organiser** for the summer term. Please ensure that students take care of this important piece of equipment. It is used daily in lessons and for home learning.

**Year 7 Attendance:**

**96.10%**

**FANTASTIC!!!**

A reminder that Newsome Academy does not tolerate any form of bullying. There is an increasing amount of unkindness and name calling in Year 7. This does not match our core values of Respect, Integrity, Teamwork and Aspiration and any repeated unkindness will be sanctioned heavily!

**ZERO  
TOLERANCE  
TO  
BULLYING**



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## YEAR 8 MEMO: 4th APRIL 2025

### LAST WEEK

**Wishing all our families  
Eid Mubarak!**

Thousands of people gathered to celebrate the Muslim festival of Eid al-Fitr, which marks the end of the holy month of Ramadan on Monday 31 March 2025. The name Eid al-Fitr translates as "the festival of the breaking of the fast".



### THIS WEEK

**Year 8 Rewards  
Assembly** took place on Wednesday 2nd of April where students who are exceptional everyday were celebrated!

He is risen! Hoping that you and yours have a truly blessed Easter. May your day be filled with faith, love, and heartfelt commemorations today.  
Rejoice!



### NEXT WEEK

A reminder of some **key websites** that can be accessed from home to support learning:

[Reading Plus](#)  
[Sparx Maths](#)

When we return on the 22nd of April, we will be reminding all students about the importance of our values.





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# Year 9 Memo 4/4/25

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## Last Week

Students were completing signing up to the Bromcom student app. Please check your child has this. If not, inform Mrs Fletcher. The parent app (My Child at School) is also available for all parents/carers to download and sign up to.

## This Week

This was our last week before the Easter holidays begin. Friday will be a normal school day. **ALL** students will return on **Tuesday 22nd April**.

## Next Week

During this first week back, all students will be reminded of our Core values in readiness for the summer term. Please check our expectations policy on the website for these and other key information around summer uniform.

YEAR 10

All families and students are to know the GCSE exam boards they are studying to fully prepare.

- ENTRY LEVEL MATHS - AQA
  - ENTRY LEVEL SCIENCE - AQA
  - ENTRY LEVEL GEOGRAPHY – OCR
  - ENTRY LEVEL HISTORY - OCR
  - STEP UP TO ENGLISH - AQA
  
  - ART & DESIGN (ART, CRAFT & DESIGN) - AQA
  - ART & DESIGN (PHOTOGRAPHY) - AQA
  - BIOLOGY - AQA
  - CHEMISTRY - AQA
  - COMBINED SCIENCE TRILOGY - AQA
  - ENGLISH LANGUAGE - AQA
  - ENGLISH LITERATURE - AQA
  - GEOGRAPHY - AQA
  - MATHS (HIGHER) - AQA
  - MATHS (FOUNDATION) - OCR
  - PHYSICS - AQA
  - RELIGIOUS STUDIES - AQA
  - POLISH - AQA
- GERMAN - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - FRENCH - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - ARABIC - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - HISTORY - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - ITALIAN - AQA
  - PERSIAN - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - SPANISH - AQA
  
  - PERFORMING ARTS - WJEC
  - COMPUTING (DIT) - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - MUSIC - PEARSON EDEXCEL
  - FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH LEVEL 2 - AQA
  - BUSINESS & ENTERPRISE - NCFE
  - HEALTH & FITNESS - NCFE
  - FOOD & COOKERY - NCFE



**STICK THIS TO YOUR FRIDGE DOOR AND BEDROOM WALLS!**



# GCSE COURSES

ALL Year 10/11 students should know what course they are studying – please keep pushing this at home. Ensure you use the online materials that are available to support your studies. Also use the next page to support your revision and studies.



YEAR 11

# EXAM PREP: PERIOD 6 ATTENDANCE



**Period 6 (3-4pm)** sessions continued last week. We are happy to report that these sessions are having a huge impact on those who attend and engage. We had 80% attendance last week on average which while great means 20% of students are missing out on vital revision.

We can't stress enough how important these **free revision sessions** are with their class teachers who are expert in what each individual child needs.

We have introduced a '**Prom Passport**' which your child will get stamped at each session. This allows access to the Prom as well as special bonus prizes.

P6 sessions missed without a verified reason will be recorded as P6 unauthorised and may mean your child missing out on the Prom and other reward Events.

This is in addition to the **RACE to EXCEPTIONAL** – the next 2 weeks' focus is **ATL and GCSEPod usage**. **The winning team will enjoy a lunchtime treat at the end of the term.**