



Saint Joseph's

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

25th November 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: Science Intervention for pupils taking the two Combined Science Foundation GCSE exams

In addition to the intervention program running on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, the science department are offering structured after school revision sessions covering the paper 1 topics on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

The aim is to revise the majority of the paper 1 topics in time for the January Mock GCSE exams with a different topic for each session.

What Sessions are available and when are they?

Combined Science represents two GCSEs and as such we have allotted two days each week to support our students in their learning. We will be running after-school intervention sessions every **Tuesday and Friday** from 15:35 pm until 16:35 pm.

What will the format of the sessions be and why are they important?

The intervention sessions will have a blended mix of reteaching topics, and guided exam question practice, followed by independent exam practice with a review immediately afterwards.

This will best support students in addressing any points of development in their knowledge, whilst giving them support with the calibre of questions they will be faced with next summer.

The current year 11 cohort, like the rest of the country has had their education disrupted as a result of the pandemic, especially the foundation knowledge for their Sciences.

These intervention sessions seek to support pupils with their paper 1 revision and preparation whilst we concentrate on the paper 2 topics during normal lessons.

Your children will benefit greatly from this intervention, which if attended in full will equate to nearly a full term's worth of science lessons. Whilst we cannot guarantee grades, we can assure you that your child will achieve greater outcomes in science as a result of attending these sessions.

How will we keep up to date on what is being covered?

You will shortly receive a timetable for the sessions up to the end of the term, along with what will be covered during the session. In combination with this, there will be an email each week reminding students of the upcoming sessions and any pre-session materials will be uploaded to the school's Science website <https://sites.google.com/myport.ac.uk/sciencesjcs/home>

If you have any questions regarding the interventions, please contact Mr Wilkinson via hwi@sjcs.org.uk If you have any question regarding these interventions.

Yours sincerely

Mr Henry Wilkinson