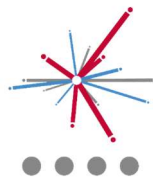


Year 8 Assessment Information Booklet

Autumn 2020



Ark Pioneer Academy

When will I have assessments?

You will have end of term assessments over the following times:

Assessment Type	Dates
Autumn Term Assessments	Mon 30 th Nov – Fri 11 th Dec
Spring Term Assessments	Mon 15 th Mar – Fri 26 th Mar
End of Year Assessments	Mon 21 st Jun – Fri 2 nd Jul

What is expected of me before my end of term assessments?

Completing your homework regularly each week and your full participation in lesson are the best ways to prepare. Your teachers will also run revision lessons and issue homework to recap key areas of what you have been taught which will help make sure you are fully prepared.

Will I get help on how to revise?

Yes. Before assessment week you will be taught how to make a revision timetable, revision notes, flash cards and how-to self-quiz on key content. You will have a revision booklet in every subject.

What is expected of me during my end of term assessments?

You are expected to continue your revision at home during the assessment weeks. This includes any homework that has been set and working on the additional revision techniques you have been shown. You will be told the date of each assessment which will take place in lesson and your teacher will explain the classroom expectations.

AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS		English
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Your ability to write analytical paragraphs about how a character is presented in Sherlock Holmes ★ You will be assessed on your writing and grammar skills in this assessment ★ You will also complete an MCQ on Victorian context 	
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ 1 hour 15 minutes ★ You will be writing analytical paragraphs about how a character is presented, taking evidence from extracts to support the ideas in your topic sentences. 	
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Your knowledge organiser and homework booklet have all of the most important study materials for this unit of work with stretch tasks and knowledge quizzes ★ You may also want to use lesson notes from your book 	
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Use internet resources to revise the plot and characters of Sherlock Holmes https://www.shmoop.com/study-guides/literature/sherlock-holmes ★ Complete additional research on the Victorian Era ★ https://www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians/articles/arthur-conan-doyle-the-creator-of-sherlock-holmes-the-worlds-most-famous-literary-detective 	
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS		Mathematics
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Prime factor decomposition ★ Conceptualising and comparing fractions; All operations acting on fractions ★ Percentages; Sequences; Forming and solving equations 	
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ The assessment will be 50 minutes long ★ Section A will be multiple choice questions and section B will be worded problem solving questions 	

What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ You will receive a mathematics revision booklet from your teacher during w/c 16/11/20 ★ Revise key knowledge and methods then self-quiz using the Units 1-6 knowledge organisers ★ Complete practice questions in your mathematics revision booklet
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/maths/ and www.mathsisfun.com/index.htm (Topic areas: Prime numbers, factors and multiples; Fractions; Percentages; Patterns and sequences; Equations)
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS	
Science	
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Biology 2.1 – Respiratory System, Digestive System, Enzymes, The Skeletal System. ★ Chemistry 2.1- pH scale, Acids and Alkalis, Neutralisation reactions, Making salts ★ Physics 2.1- Speed Distance Time, Distance time Graphs, Pressure
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ You will have two assessments containing questions on B2.1, C2.1 and P2.1. ★ These assessments will be completed during your science lessons in exam conditions. ★ The first assessment will contain MCQs which will be completed on Eedi. The second assessment will be written short answer questions.
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Self-Quiz using the B2.1, C2.1 and P2.1 knowledge organisers. ★ Practice the exam questions in your science homework booklets and complete the Aim High stretch tasks.
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ SpARK website accessed through the pupil SharePoint for home learning ★ BBC Bitesize – KS3 Science (https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p) ★ Seneca KS3 Science –(https://www.senecalearning.com/) ★ Oak National Trust
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS	
Geography	
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Y8 Unit 1: River Rivals ★ Y8 Unit 2: Food and Famine
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Part A – 20 Question Multiple Choice Quiz covering both units. ★ Part B – A combination of short-answer questions and extended writing.
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Autumn 1 Revision Booklet. ★ Autumn 2 Revision Booklet.
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Complete Copy, Cover and Check of key vocabulary you do not know in the Homework Booklets. ★ Complete Aim Higher tasks in Homework Booklets.
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS	
History	
What will I be tested on?	<p>1 World views in 1000AD, with detailed focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ 1.2 Islam in 1000 ★ 1.3 European Christendom in 1000 <p>2 Contested power, contested land, with detailed focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ 2.3 The First Crusade <p>3 Empires: expansion and collapse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ 3.2 Mali Empire
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Section A will be a mixture of short-answer questions ★ Section B will be extended writing.
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ AUT1 Revision Booklet ★ AUT2 Revision Booklet
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Use the answers in the Homework and Revision Booklets to self-quiz ★ Ask a family member to the Homework and Revision Booklets to test you ★ Write practice paragraphs answering the enquiry questions

AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS		French
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Describing where you and others live ★ Conjugating verbs in the present tense ★ Content from Year 7 including family, personality, school and sport. ★ All the structures and vocabulary that you need to know are on the Knowledge Organisers in your homework booklet. 	
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Part A: Listening assessment with MCQs in English and grammar assessment with MCQs in French. ★ Part B: Reading and writing assessment. Reading questions have texts in French with English questions to test your understanding, the writing questions are a combination of translation (English to French) and a small paragraph where you write about yourself (your family, your opinions about school and sports, where you live). 	
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Self-quiz using your Knowledge Organisers. ★ Do practice questions in your French homework booklet, including stretch questions and Aim Higher work. 	
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Ask someone to quiz you on the vocabulary out loud - "How do you say...?" ★ Write practice paragraphs which combine all your French knowledge. Give information about your family, their personalities, what you like at school, what sports you play/do and why, and where you live. 	
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS		Religion and Philosophy
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Important events in the history of Christianity (persecution, conversion of Constantine, Great Schism and the Reformation) ★ Modern debates in Christianity (role of women, charismatic Christianity, free speech and problem of evil) 	
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Part A: 20min Multiple choice questions on your knowledge ★ Part B: 25min Analytical paragraph on an unseen question linked to modern Christianity debates 	
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Inside your RE booklets you can go back through copy, cover, check and complete the stretch paragraphs for extra practice 	
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Aim higher sections of both your AUT1 and AUT2 revision guides 	
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS		Physical Education
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Theory – Fitness Testing and Respiratory System ★ Practical –Multi-Skills and Basketball: Performance of skills and techniques, use of tactics and strategies and ability to analyse performance ★ Demonstrating leadership skills 	
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ The PE assessment will be split into two parts (theory and practical). ★ Theory: 30-minute written test – MCQ's ★ Practical: 60-min combination of isolated, conditioned and competitive situations. 	
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Self-quiz using the Autumn 1 and Autumn 2 Revision Booklet. ★ Revise from Autumn 1 and 2 Do Now/Homework booklets 	
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Fitness Testing https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z8j87hv/revision/2 ★ Respiratory System https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zy7d2p3/revision/1 	
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS		Drama
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Audience awareness and voice projection ★ Vocal Skills ★ Physical Skills ★ Knowledge and understanding of Bertolt Brecht and Epic Theatre, through performance ★ Use of the following techniques: Breaking the fourth wall, Direct Address, Contradiction, Multi-role, Gestus, Spass 	

What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ 2 extended pieces of drama (1-2 minutes approx. each) towards the end of each half term. ★ A multiple-choice assessment at the end of the autumn term.
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Knowledge organiser, found in your Drama booklet ★ Copy/Cover/Check and additional revision materials can be found in your booklet.
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Explore BBC Bitesize and read through the revision materials for Drama. ★ Watch performances online from either National Theatre or The Young Vic theatre, for inspiration. ★ Watch any Youtube clips on Bertolt Brecht, Epic Theatre or The Alienation Effect.
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS	
Music	
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Crotchets, Quavers, Minims, Semibreves, sharps, chords and rests ★ Notes on the keyboard used in the D major scale ★ Features of Baroque music (ground bass, canon, contrapuntal, basso continuo, harpsichord)
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Your assessment will take place within lesson time and will include a small group performance of Pachelbel's Canon on keyboards ★ A multiple-choice listening assessment on the core knowledge you have learned in Beauty of Baroque Music Project.
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Look over our work in your Beauty of Baroque music booklet and learn your key words and symbols ★ Research further examples of music from the Baroque Period (1600-1750), watch and listen to performances available online on YouTube <p>Practice the melodies from Canon by Pachelbel (page 14)</p>
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Watch the video lessons from Oak National Academy. www.thenational.academy <p>Details are on the back page of your music booklet.</p>
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS	
Art and Design	
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Multiple choice questions based on history of printing, lino printing and Photoshop processes ★ Creating a print using lino ★ Practical application of Photoshop tools and techniques ★ Creating backgrounds for designs
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Part A will be a short section consisting of multiple-choice questions ★ Part B will be the final project piece
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Use the knowledge organisers and information printed in the homework booklet ★ Revise the Photoshop guide resource in your art folder
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ BBC Bitesize Art and Design GCSE Revision: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z38s6yc/revision/3 ★ Test yourself using the answers in the homework booklet ★
AUTUMN ASSESSMENTS	
Design Technology	
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ 3D CAD Modelling ★ Material properties and characteristics
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<p>CAD Modelling – 80minutes over two lessons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Multiple choice questions on material properties and characteristics – 10 minutes
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Knowledge organizer and homework booklet for definitions and modelling techniques <p>Class book to revise 3D modelling, material properties and characteristics</p>
Further revision ideas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Practice 3D modelling using www.tinkercad.com ★ Use the same log in detail as you have done in class ★ Create a piece of writing answering the following question: Choose a material and justify why it is suitable for use as the roof of your railway building design