

# Year 8 End of Year Exams Information Booklet

## Summer 2023



Ark Pioneer Academy

### When will I have assessments?

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

Assessment Type	Dates
End of Year Assessments	12 <sup>th</sup> Jun – 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun

### What is expected of me before my end of year 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.

### 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 year assessments?

You are expected to continue your revision at home during the assessment week. 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 expectations.

SUMMER ASSESSMENTS		English
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ The novella 'Animal Farm', The structure of the novella</li> <li>★ The use of language and the significance of context</li> <li>★ The importance of allegory</li> <li>★ How to use an extract</li> </ul>	
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ MCQ- 20 minutes</li> <li>★ Essay question- 1hr 15 minutes</li> </ul>	
What revision resources can I use?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ The Animal Farm Homework resource has everything to help with assessment success</li> <li>★ Exercise books</li> <li>★ Also, Aim High work</li> </ul>	
Further online revision:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8khfrd">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8khfrd</a></li> <li>★ <a href="https://www.bl.uk/works/animal-farm">https://www.bl.uk/works/animal-farm</a></li> <li>★ <a href="https://www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature/articles/an-introduction-to-animal-farm">https://www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature/articles/an-introduction-to-animal-farm</a></li> <li>★ <a href="https://www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature/articles/animal-farm-and-the-beast-fable">https://www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature/articles/animal-farm-and-the-beast-fable</a></li> </ul>	
SUMMER ASSESSMENTS		Mathematics
What will I be tested on?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Sequences</li> <li>★ Forming &amp; solving equations</li> <li>★ Forming &amp; solving inequalities</li> <li>★ Linear graphs</li> <li>★ Accuracy and Estimation</li> <li>★ Ratio</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Real-life graphs</li> <li>★ Direct &amp; inverse proportion</li> <li>★ Univariate data</li> <li>★ Bivariate data</li> <li>★ Angles in Polygons</li> <li>★ Bearings</li> </ul>
What is the length & structure of the assessment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ 2 written papers: 1 non-calculator paper, 1 calculator paper</li> <li>★ 1 hour each</li> </ul>	

<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ You will receive a mathematics revision booklet prior to exams, and we will be doing a week of revision lessons.</li> <li>★ Revise key knowledge and methods then self-quiz using your lesson notes and examples.</li> <li>★ Complete practice questions from your mathematics revision booklet</li> </ul>
<b>Further online revision:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Login to century and complete the diagnostic for each previous unit of work. Then your pathway will fill with nuggets you need to work on, using the explanatory video clips to provide additional support as needed.</li> <li>★ <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/maths/">www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/maths/</a> and <a href="http://www.mathsisfun.com/index.htm">www.mathsisfun.com/index.htm</a></li> </ul>
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>Science</b>	
<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Biology: Organ systems (incl respiratory and digestive), Photosynthesis and Respiration, Adaptations and Evolution</li> <li>★ Chemistry: pH, Acids and Alkali reactions, Chemical reactions and writing chemical equations, The Rock Cycle and Earths resources</li> <li>★ Physics: Speed, Distance, Time, Calculating pressure, Magnetism and electromagnetism, Electrical circuits, series and parallel, Light, reflection and refraction</li> <li>★ All y7 content could also be tested as KS3 assessments are cumulative.</li> </ul>
<b>Structure of the assessment?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ You will have two assessments each containing questions on Biology, Chemistry and Physics</li> <li>★ The assessment will contain short answer questions and each paper lasts 50 minutes.</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Self Quiz using the knowledge organisers.</li> <li>★ All previous homework booklets have extra tasks and stretch tasks</li> <li>★ Century Tech diagnostics and recommended path</li> </ul>
<b>Further online revision:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ SpARK Website – Science KS3</li> <li>★ BBC Bitesize Science <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p</a></li> <li>★ Seneca Science - <a href="https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/">https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/</a></li> </ul>
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>Geography</b>	
<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Unit 1: River Rivals      Unit 2: Food and Famine</li> <li>★ Unit 3: Endless Energy      Unit 4: Climate Change      Unit 5: Polar Environments</li> </ul>
<b>Structure of the assessment?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ One 50-minute paper – with a mixture of short-answer questions and extended questions.</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Mastery Booklets – re-read and practise questions from each lesson.</li> <li>★ Homework Booklets - quiz you on the meaning of key terms using the knowledge organiser.</li> <li>★ A revision workbook will be handed to you at least two weeks before your assessment.</li> </ul>
<b>Further online revision:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Rivers - <a href="https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/rivers-6ba1">https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/rivers-6ba1</a></li> <li>★ Energy - <a href="https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/rivers-6ba1">https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/rivers-6ba1</a></li> <li>★ Climate Change - <a href="https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/climate-change-68ab">https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/climate-change-68ab</a></li> </ul>
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>History</b>	
<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ The Mughal Empire (Nur Jahan)</li> <li>★ Puritanism</li> <li>★ The Later Stuarts (Samuel Pepys)</li> <li>★ Transatlantic slavery</li> <li>★ Seventeenth-century America (Virginia and Massachusetts)</li> <li>★ The East India Company</li> <li>★ Factories and mines (the Industrial Revolution)</li> <li>★ The American Revolution</li> <li>★ The French Revolution</li> <li>★ Great Reform Act</li> <li>★ <b>The Chartists</b></li> </ul>
<b>Structure of the assessment?</b>	<p>Part A (25 minutes): Multiple-choice questions on all topics. Part B (50 minutes):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Written question using big ideas from all topics.</li> <li>★ Essay on topic in <b>bold</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Homework Booklets (digital versions in the ‘files’ section of your History class on <a href="#">MS Teams</a>).</li> <li>★ <a href="#">Oak National Academy</a> Key Stage 3 History units</li> </ul>
<b>Further revision ideas:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Do more practice of Copy, Cover Check questions.</li> <li>★ Ask someone to test you on Copy, Cover, Check questions.</li> <li>★ Re-read and summarise relevant chapters from your booklets.</li> <li>★ Write practice paragraphs about the Chartists.</li> <li>★ Use the Aim Higher resources at the back of your booklets.</li> </ul>
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>French</b>	

<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ All language from Year 7 (family, personality, physical appearance, school, sport, local area) and Year 8 (film and TV, Paris and the past tense, music/fashion, food and the Francophonie).</li> </ul>
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ MCQ Listening assessment – you will answer questions in English on the French recordings you have listened to. (20 mins)</li> <li>★ Reading assessment – you will answer questions in English on French texts to show you understand them, as well as completing one translation question from French into English.</li> <li>★ Writing assessment – you will answer a question in French. It does not need to be true but it does need to show off your most complex language! (40 mins)</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ The Knowledge Organisers with all the language you need to know are in your HW booklet.</li> <li>★ Write practice paragraphs about yourself in French covering all topics and ask your teacher to give you feedback.</li> </ul>
<b>Further online revision:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Quizlet is an excellent source of revision – practice games and learning activities on the Revision set.</li> </ul>

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## Religion and Philosophy

<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Christianity – origins, history, key beliefs and practices</li> <li>★ Islam – origins, history, key beliefs and practices</li> <li>★ Hinduism – origins, history, key beliefs and practices</li> <li>★ Comparison between the different faiths we have covered throughout KS3 – Judaism, Christianity, Islam and Hinduism</li> </ul>
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ A written section where you will be required to demonstrate knowledge recall in a structured way</li> <li>★ You will need to use PEEL to structure your paragraphs (Point – Evidence – Explanation – Link Back)</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ You can take your books home to revise from.</li> <li>★ You can use your homework booklets (from AUT and SPR) to help you recap core content and practice areas you are unsure about.</li> <li>★ Complete the ‘stretch’ tasks in your homework booklets.</li> <li>★ Go back through previous assignments and quizzes and retest yourself</li> </ul>
<b>Further online revision:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ <a href="#">Lessons on Oak National Academy (Christianity):</a></li> <li>★ <a href="#">Lessons on Oak National Academy (Islam):</a></li> <li>★ <a href="#">Lessons on Oak National Academy (Hinduism):</a></li> <li>★ <a href="#">BBC Bitesize (Christianity):</a></li> <li>★ BBC Bitesize (Islam): <a href="#">Islam - KS3 Religious Studies - BBC Bitesize</a></li> <li>★ BBC Bitesize (Hinduism): <a href="#">Hinduism - KS3 Religious Studies - BBC Bitesize</a></li> </ul>

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## Physical Education

<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Theory: Fitness Tests, Respiratory System, Health &amp; Well-being, Joints in the Body and Types of Movement, Diet and Somatotypes, Goal Setting</li> <li>★ Practical: Combined mark for all activities covered – Football, Netball, Basketball, Badminton, Table Tennis, Rounders and Athletics. Performance of skills and techniques, Use of tactics and strategies.</li> </ul>
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Theory – 30-minute multiple choice assessment.</li> <li>★ Practical – Combination of all practical assessments from activities during the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms. Combination of isolated, conditioned and competitive situations.</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Self-quiz using Autumn, Spring and Summer Do Now/Homework booklets.</li> <li>★ Use knowledge organisers in Autumn, Spring and Summer Do Now/Homework booklets.</li> </ul>
<b>Further online revision:</b>	<a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/ztrcg82">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/ztrcg82</a>

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## Drama

<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Use of Physical Theatre/Berkovian techniques, including Mime, Choral movement, Choral Speaking, Motif, People as props, stylised movement, Vocal skills, physical skills and characterization, Interaction with other actors on stage and Audience Awareness</li> <li>★ Knowledge of Physical Theatre, Steven Berkoff and “In-yer-face” Theatre &amp; Bertolt Brecht’s Epic Theatre and knowledge of vocal and physical skills</li> </ul>
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Practical assessment = 1 to 3-minute performance in a group (individually assessed)</li> <li>★ Theory-based assessment = 30-minute multiple choice quiz</li> </ul>
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Drama homework booklet – Week 10 Revision tasks</li> <li>★ Knowledge organiser on page 2 of the Drama booklet</li> <li>★ Additional Drama revision booklet</li> </ul>

<b>Further online revision:</b>	★ <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zdb6xyc">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zdb6xyc</a> ★ <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/znn4vk7/revision/2">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/znn4vk7/revision/2</a>
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>Music</b>	
<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	★ The Beauty of the Baroque ★ Music from West Africa, ★ Band Musicianship ~ Four Chord pop songs (from Year 7) ★ Band Musicianship ~ The Blues
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	★ The Music assessment will be split into two parts: <b>Composition &amp; Performance</b> and <b>Listening &amp; Appraising</b> ★ Performance of Bag's Groove in small ensembles; chords, melody & improvisation. ★ Listening & Appraising extracts of music with short answers based on musical elements and theory explored throughout the year.
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	★ Key concepts & unit glossaries in Music Booklets- Use these for Copy, Cover, Check ★ Summer Term Revision Booklet on MS Teams Assignments
<b>Further online revision:</b>	★ Oak National Academy Videos and resources
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>Art and Design</b>	
<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	★ For this final assessment students will be expected to draw on content covered in Autumn and Spring as well as Summer. ★ During Summer term students have investigated iconography. They have also looked carefully at the basic 3D forms and practised how to draw them convincingly. ★ In Spring students explored architecture and perspective ★ In Autumn students considered how artists weave autobiographical narratives into their work, and even use their own image to tell a story
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	★ 10 multiple choice questions and a small drawing task in a single lesson. ★ The drawing task links to a fundamental skill covered during the preceding term. ★ The majority of assessment data will be taken from 'artist page' tasks and evidence of classwork presented in sketchbooks. ★ The quality of other work in sketchbooks and homework booklets may also contribute to report feedback.
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	★ Students will be set a half term revision quiz via Eedi. ★ The homework booklet is designed to provide opportunities for students to practise . Each task is accompanied by a stretch and there are several 'super stretch' tasks listed ★ Teachers will identify and respond to common misconceptions in lessons. ★ A 'copy cover check' for students to revise with in advance of their exam.
<b>Further online revision:</b>	★ <a href="#">This youtube playlist</a> contains interesting and relevant content. ★ Students should ensure any unfinished or missing pieces of sketchbook work or homework tasks are addressed as a priority.
<b>SUMMER ASSESSMENTS</b>	
<b>Design Technology</b>	
<b>What will I be tested on?</b>	★ Technical knowledge from this year: material properties, types of energy, mechanisms, types of motion, tools, machinery, types of wood and technical drawing.
<b>What is the length &amp; structure of the assessment?</b>	★ Technical knowledge will be assessed through multiple choice questions. ★ Practical planning and skills will be assessed through the manufacture of a wooden spaghetti gauge during lesson time.
<b>What revision resources can I use?</b>	★ Your knowledge organizer and homework booklet. ★ Design Technology copy, cover, check given in lesson.
<b>Further online revision:</b>	★ BBC Bitesize: <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zkvnv4j/revision/1">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zkvnv4j/revision/1</a> ★ <a href="http://www.technologystudent.com">www.technologystudent.com</a> has revision materials for all topics involving technology.