

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 Midyear Assessments - January 2026

As you will be aware, your child is due to sit a significant number of GCSE assessments in summer 2027. At Sheffield Springs Academy, we are committed to ensuring that your child reaches their potential; a key element of this involves them sitting midyear assessments in **Jan 2026** to fully prepare them for Year 11. This allows students to experience and become accustomed to the formal exam setting and to recognise the organisation and preparation involved in revising for multiple subjects. **It is vital that students attend 100% of their midyear assessments.**

Midyear Exams: Friday 16 Jan to Thursday 22 Jan 2026.

A full timetable, detailing exactly when each midyear assessment will take place, is included with this letter. Students are expected to highlight where their own assessments occur and then share this with their parents/carers at home.

A 'booster' session will take place in school immediately before each examination which will remind students of the key techniques, they need for success in the assessment prior to entering the exam hall. It is crucial that students arrive at school by 8.25am to ensure they do not miss the key information in these booster events.

Your child's teachers will discuss the midyear assessments with them and recommend different ways they can approach their revision. Students are expected to plan and follow their own revision timetable over the next few weeks as they work towards these midyear assessments.

Revision Tips and Advice

Year 10 students should have started their revision work to support them in maximising their outcomes in the midyear assessments. We would highly advise the following:

- Using revision guides/packs written specifically for the courses and assessments that students are completing
- Completing weekly homework in core departments
- Creating a 'revision timetable'
- Creating and using revision 'flashcards'.

Please do get in contact with us if you or your child needs any further support around revision planning and revision methods.

As always, your child's well-being remains our first priority. If you have any concerns regarding your child's well-being, preparation for their mock assessments, or anything related to their studies, then please do not hesitate to contact us at the academy via enquiries@sheffieldsprings.org or call 0114 239 2631.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Saville (Vice Principal)



Principal: Ms C Cartledge

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Jan 2026 Y10 Midyear Exam Timetable

| 12/01/2026 | Thursday | Friday | 19/01/2026 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| | 15/01/2026 | 16/01/2026 | | 19/01/2026 | 20/01/2026 | 21/01/2026 | 22/01/2026 |
| Registration | | Exam Booster Staff: Location | Registration | Exam Booster Staff: Location | Exam Booster Staff: Location | Exam Booster Staff: Location | Exam Booster Staff: Location |
| P1 09:05 - 10:20 | | English Language Length: 1 hour 45 minutes | P1 09:05 - 10:20 | Science: Biology Length: 55 minutes | Maths Length: 1 hour 30 minutes | Science: Chemistry Length: 55 minutes | Science: Physics Length: 55 minutes |
| P2 10:20 - 11:35 | | | P2 10:20 - 11:35 | | | | |
| Break | | | | | | | |
| P3 11:55 - 13:10 | | Exam Booster Staff: LST Location: A20 | P3 11:55 - 13:10 | | Exam Booster Staff: LST Location: | Early Lunch at 12:30pm Exam Booster Staff: Location | Early Lunch at 12:30pm Exam Booster Staff: LNO Location: Main Hall |
| Lunch | | | | | | | |
| P4 13:55 - 15:10 | Y11 External Exam ICT (On-Screen) 1 hour 20 minutes Start Time: 13:30 LRC | French Listening/Reading Length: 45 minutes | P4 13:55 - 15:10 | Geography Length: 50 minutes History Length: 1 hour | French Writing Length: 45 minutes | Citizenship Length: 1 hour 45 minutes | Food and Nutrition Length: 1 hour 30 minutes RE Length: 1 hour 15 minutes |