



KS4 Vocational Subjects – Assessment Dates

Y10 (2025-27 cohort)

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Y11 (2024-26 cohort)

Cambridge National – PE

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
R186	Sport in the media	20%	Coursework	Jan 2026
R185	Performance and leadership in Sport	40%	Coursework	Oct 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
R185	Performance and leadership in Sport	40%	Coursework	Oct 2026
R184	Contemporary issues in sport	40%	Exam	May 2027 (no resit)

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
R185	Performance and leadership in Sport	40%	Coursework	Oct 2025
R184	Contemporary issues in sport	40%	Exam	May 2026 (no resit)

Year 10 Cambridge National Sport: What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC Subject	Sport Studies
Exam Board	OCR
Exam/coursework brief overview	60% coursework split into 2 units. 1 = 20% and 1 = 40%
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	R186 – Sport in the media (20%) R185 – Sports performance and leadership (40%) R184 – Contemporary Issues in Sport exam (40%)
Year 10 content	R186 – Sport in the media (20%) R185 – Sports performance and leadership (40%)
Year 10 skills	Explore the relationship between sport and the media. Practical skill development in two sports Sports leadership skills – time management, self-confidence, planning, delivery.
Year 10 assessments	Coursework hand in for R186 Practical performance marks – R185 Delivery of lesson marks – R185
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	No specific exam at the end of the year. Work is assessed throughout.
Year 11 remaining content/skills	Final assignments for r185. Due by October half term. R184 exam – May 2026
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	R184 exam – May 2026

Creative Digital Media Production

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Component 1	Exploring Media Products	30%	Controlled assessment (Coursework)	December 2025
Component 2	Developing Media Production Skills	30%	Controlled assessment (Coursework)	May 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 3	Responding to a brief	40%	Strict controlled assessment (exam style)	Jan – May 2027 Window NO RESIT

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 1 Component 3	Exploring Media Products (Re – Take) Responding to a brief	30% 40%	Coursework Controlled Assessment	December 2025 Jan – May 2026 Window (NO RESIT)

Year 10 BTEC Creative Media:

What will I learn this year?

BTEC Subject	BTEC Creative Media
Exam Board	Pearson
Exam/coursework brief overview	3 components in total 2 Components in Y10: Component 1 – 30% Component 2 – 30%
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	Component 1: Exploring Media Products Component 2: Developing Digital Media Production Skills Component 3: Create a Media Product in Response to a Brief
Year 10 content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researching media products • purposes of media products • Audience interpretation • Genre, narrative and representation
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative Techniques • Practical experimentation • Writing and editing copy • Image editing • Creating graphics • Creating page layouts • Designing print products
Year 10 assessments	Component 1: Exploring Media Products Component 2: Developing Digital Media Production Skills (Internal Assessments)
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	N/A
Year 11 remaining content/skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating images and assets • Sourcing content from secondary sources • Assessing quality • stylistic codes • Use of software and equipment • Construction of work and outcomes
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	Component 3: Create a Media Product in Response to a Brief

Engineering

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Unit 1	Manufacturing engineering products	40%	Controlled Assessment	March 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Unit 2	Engineering Design	20%	Controlled Assessment	November 2026
Unit 3	Solving Engineering Problems	40%	Exam	January 2027 (resit May 2027)

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Unit 2	Engineering Design	20%	Controlled Assessment	November 2025
Unit 3	Solving Engineering Problems	40%	Exam	January 2026 (resit May 2026)

Year 10 Engineering:

What will I learn this year?

RT/CJT Technical Award Subject	1 1/2 Technical Award in Engineering WJEC
Exam Board	
Examin/coursework brief overview	<p>3 Elements to the course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 40% NEA internally assessed in Y10 (Unit 1 – May) ❖ 20% NEA internally assessed in Y11 (Unit 2 – Dec) ❖ 40% Exam externally assessed in Y11 (Unit 3 – Jan)
Year 10 and 11 content: brief overviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Unit 1 - Manufacturing Engineering Products ❖ Unit 2 - Designing Engineering Products ❖ Unit 3 - Solving Engineering Problems
Year 10 content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <u>Unit 1</u> provides learners with the opportunity to interpret different types of engineering information in order to plan how to produce engineering products. Learners will develop knowledge, understanding and skills in using a range of engineering tools and equipment in order to produce and test an end product ❖ <u>Unit 3</u> introduces learners to a range of considerations that impact on engineering design and how modern engineering has had an impact on modern day life at home, work and in society in general
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 1.1 Understanding engineering drawings ❖ 1.2 Planning operations ❖ 1.3 Using engineering tools and equipment ❖ 1.4 Implementing engineering processes ❖ With these skills, learners will acquire knowledge of a range of engineered processes that are fit for purpose for producing an end product. Finally, learners will learn how to test the final product against the information given in the technical information to ensure that they have

	met the given standards of the assigned brief.
Year 10 assessments	❖ 40% NEA Internally assessed in Y10 (Unit 1 – May)
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	❖ A past paper which has had questions removed so that it only covers content taught to date. The paper is made up of short and long answer questions – Formative Assessment
Year 11 remaining content/skills	❖ <u>Unit 2</u> allows learners to explore how an engineered product is adapted and improved over time, and it offers learners the opportunity to apply their knowledge and understanding to adapt an existing component, element or part of the engineering outcome that they produced for Unit 1 ❖ <u>Unit 3</u> introduces learners to a range of considerations that impact on engineering design and how modern engineering has had an impact on modern day life at home, work and in society in general
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	❖ 40% Exam externally assessed in Y11 (Unit 3 – Jan) ❖ Solving Engineering Problems ❖ Unit 3 Students will be tested on their knowledge and understanding of a range of considerations that impact on engineering design and how modern engineering has had an impact on modern day life at home, work and in society in general

For further information on the specification please follow this link:

https://www.wjec.co.uk/media/7b3f1am50/wjec_11-2-vocaward-ta_engineering_spec-e_11-09-23-1.pdf

Enterprise

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Component 1	Exploring Enterprises	30%	Coursework/controlled assessment	December 2026
Component 2	Planning & Presenting a Micro-Enterprise Idea	30%	Coursework/controlled assessment	May 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 3	Marketing and Finance for Enterprise	40%	Exam (60 mark paper)	Jan 2027 Resit – May 2027 (resit mark counts)

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 3	Marketing and Finance for Enterprise	40%	Exam (60 mark paper)	January 2026 (Wed 7 th Jan) Resit – May 2026 (resit mark counts)

Year 10 Enterprise: What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC Subject	BTEC Enterprise
Exam Board	Pearson
Exam/coursework brief overview	<p>1 external synoptic exam in January of year 11:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40% 2 hour written paper <p>2 components of internal assessment (Pearson set assignments) – Component 1 & 2.</p>
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Component 1: Exploring Enterprise (coursework - completed) Component 2: Planning & Pitching an Enterprise Idea (coursework - completed) Component 3: Marketing and Finance for Enterprise
Year 10 content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Component 1 Exploring Enterprise (coursework) Component 2 Planning & Pitching an Enterprise Idea (coursework) Component 3 Marketing and Finance for Enterprise (topics: financial documents, payment methods, marketing)
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Components 1 & 2 focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the development of core knowledge and understanding, including the range of enterprises and the key features and factors that contribute to an enterprise's success. the development and application of skills such as analysing research, information, planning and financial forecasting, communicating and problem solving. reflective practice through presenting an enterprise idea that allows learners to reflect on their own communication skills.
Year 10 assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Component 1: coursework Component 2: coursework
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Component 1: completed between Sept & Dec in Y10 Component 2: completed between Jan & May in Y10 Component 3: Class Test on Financial Documents, May to July in Y10
Year 11 remaining content/skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Component 3: Marketing and Finance for Enterprise (marketing, budgeting, sources of finance, stakeholders, profit and loss, balance sheets, ratio analysis, cash flow forecast, break even analysis) To analyse and interpret information in relation to an enterprise and to make recommendations on strategies to use to improve the performance of that enterprise. Demonstrate that they can identify and use effectively an appropriate selection of skills, techniques, concepts, theories and knowledge from across the whole qualification in an integrated way.
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	<p>1 external exam in January of year 11:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40% 2 hour written exam

Health and Social Care

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Component 1	Human Lifespan Development	30%	Controlled assessment (Coursework)	Dec 2025
Component 2	Health & Social Care Services and Values	30%	Controlled assessment (Coursework)	May 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (If there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 3	Health & Wellbeing	40%	Exam (60 mark paper)	January 2027 Resit – May 2027 (resit grade is the one that counts)

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (If there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 3	Health & Wellbeing	40%	Exam (60 mark paper)	January 2026 (9 th Jan) Resit – May 2026 (Resit mark counts)

Year 10 Health & Social Care: What will I learn this year?

BTEC Subject	BTEC Health & Social Care
Exam Board	Pearson/Edexcel
Exam/coursework brief overview	3 units in total:
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60% 2 units (internal) coursework 40% 1 unit (external) exam
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIES Factors Life events Health & Social Care Services Barriers Obstacles Skills, values & attributes Physiological indicators Lifestyle indicators Health & Wellbeing Plans
Year 10 content	Component 1 & 2 (Coursework) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIES Factors Life events Health & Social Care Services Barriers Obstacles Skills, values & attributes
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication Empowerment Respect Creativity Confidentiality Team work
Year 10 assessments	60% coursework assignment writing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Component 1 – assignment 1 x 4 tasks Component 2 – assignment 2 x 5 tasks
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	N/A – all coursework is moderated at the following times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Component 1 – December Component 2 - May
Year 11 remaining content/skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physiological indicators Lifestyle indicators Health & Wellbeing Plans
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	1 external exam January of Y11, with a resit opportunity May of Y11. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40% Component 3 written paper

Hospitality & Catering

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
No external assessments in year 10				

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Unit 2 Unit 1	Hospitality and Catering in Action The Hospitality and Catering Industry	60% 40%	Non-exam assessment Exam	March 2027 June 2027

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Unit 2 Unit 1	Hospitality and Catering in Action The Hospitality and Catering Industry	60% 40%	Non-exam assessment Exam	March 2026 June 2026

Year 10 Hospitality & Catering:

What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC/Technical Award Subject		L1/2 Technical Award in H&C
Exam Board	WJEC	
Exam/coursework brief overview	2 Elements to the course. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 40% Exam externally assessed in Y11 (Unit 1: The hospitality and catering industry – June) ❖ 60% NEA internally assessed in Y11 (Unit 2: Hospitality and catering in action, April) 	
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Unit 1: The hospitality and catering industry ❖ Unit 2: Hospitality and catering in action 	
Year 10 content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Unit 1 Theory - enables learners to gain and develop comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the hospitality and catering industry including provision, health and safety, and food safety ❖ Unit 2 Mock NEA - enables learners to develop and apply knowledge and understanding of the importance of nutrition and how to plan nutritious menus. They will learn the skills needed to prepare, cook and present dishes. They will also learn how to review their work effectively 	
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 1.1 Hospitality and catering provision ❖ 1.2 How hospitality and catering providers operate ❖ 1.3 Health and safety in hospitality and catering ❖ 1.4 Food safety in Hospitality and catering ❖ With these skills, learners will acquire knowledge of a range of H&C processes that are fit for purpose for producing a range of end products. Finally, learners will learn how to test the final product against the information given in the technical information to ensure that they/ have met the given standards of the assigned brief. 	
Year 10 assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Half termly practical assessment to assess their skill level and 	

	confidence with producing quality end products
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	❖ A series of 4- and 6-mark questions which required written answers. Based on the theory work which has been covered this year. With a focus on: 1.1 Hospitality and catering provision 1.2 How hospitality and catering providers operate
Year 11 remaining content/skills	❖ Unit 1 - enables learners to gain and develop comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the hospitality and catering industry including provision, health and safety, and food safety ❖ Unit 2 NEA - enables learners to develop and apply knowledge and understanding of the importance of nutrition and how to plan nutritious menus. They will learn the skills needed to prepare, cook and present dishes. They will also learn how to review their work effectively
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	❖ Unit 1 40% Exam, externally assessed in Y11 (Unit 1 – June) ❖ Unit 2 NEA – A 12-hour assessment as a written report with a 3-hour practical element

For further information on the specification please follow this link:

https://www.wjec.co.uk/media/ukview1a/wjec_11-2-vocaward-hospitality_and_catering_spec-e_11-09-2023-1.pdf

Performing Arts

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
No External Assessment				
Component 1	Exploring the Performing Arts	30%	Coursework/controlled assessment	May 2026 (resit Dec 2026)

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 2	Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts	30%	Coursework/controlled assessment	December 2026 (resit May/June 2027)
Component 3	Responding to a Brief	40%	Exam	May/June 2027 (NO RESIT)

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Component 1 (retake for selected students)	Exploring the performing Arts	30%	Controlled assessment (Coursework)	December 2025

Year 10 Performing Arts: What will I learn this year?

Component 2 (retake for selected students)	Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts	30%	Coursework/controlled assessment	December 2025
Component 3	Responding to a Brief	40%	Exam	May 2026 (NO RESIT)

BTEC Subject Performing Arts	BTEC Performing Arts
Exam Board	Edexcel
Exam/coursework brief overview	<p>C1 – Exploring Repertoire (30%)</p> <p>C2 – Skills and techniques (30%)</p> <p>C3 – Responding to a Brief (40%)</p>
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	
Year 10 content	<p>C1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate how professional performance or production work is created Demonstrate understanding of the skills, techniques and approaches used by professionals to create performance work <p>C2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Use rehearsal processes Apply skills and techniques in performance Review own development and application of performance skills
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore different styles of theatre and the different roles and responsibilities associated with creating a performance. Learn how to rehearse a piece of repertoire and perform it to an audience. Learn how to keep a log book that a reviewer and evaluates the progress you are making.
Year 10 assessments	<p>C1 – Written coursework</p> <p>C2 – Written coursework and performance</p>
Year 10 end of year exam assessment	<p>C2 – mock assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rehearsal Log Skills Log Directed performance
Year 11 remaining core details	<p>C3 – External assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is an externally assessed unit, which means that your work will be sent to an examiner and you will not find out the grade until you collect your results at the end of year 11. You will be required to demonstrate your understanding of all the skills and techniques learned in components 1 and 2. You will be creating a devised performance as a member of a group. This component is worth 40% of the course
Year 11 end of year exam assessment	<p>C3 – External Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rehearsal Log Skills Log Directed performance Evaluation Log

KS4 GCSE Subjects – Assessment Dates

Y10 (2025-27 cohort)

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Y11 (2024-26 cohort)

Art – Fine Art

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Unit 1	Portfolio	60%	Coursework	December 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Unit 1	Portfolio	60%	Coursework	December 2026
Unit 2	Externally Set Assignment	40%	Preparation- coursework Final piece exam	April 2027

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Unit 1	Portfolio	60%	Coursework	December 2025
Unit 2	Externally Set Assignment	40%	Preparation- coursework Final piece exam	April 2026

Year 10 Art – Fine Art: What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC Subject	GCSE Fine Art
Exam Board	AQA
Exam/coursework brief overview	<p>Introductory project – Natural Forms</p> <p>Component 1: portfolio – 60%</p> <p>Component 2: EGA – 40%</p>
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	<p>Introductory Project</p> <p>Natural forms project introduces student to the expectations of the course and serves as their further work that gets submitted at the end of the course.</p> <p>Component 1: Portfolio</p> <p>The portfolio covers the four assessment objectives. It is the beginning of their sustained project evidencing the journey from initial engagement to the realisation of intentions which will be seen in the early part of year 11.</p> <p>Component 2: ESA</p> <p>Externally set assignment for each title, each with seven different starting points. Students must select and respond to one starting point from their chosen title</p>
Year 10 content	<p>Natural forms project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artist analysis • Development and refining ideas • Observational drawing • Clay workshop • Photography skills <p>Component 1: Portfolio</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selecting and researching a theme • Artist analysis • Photography • Observational drawings • Developing ideas
Year 10 skills	<p>Developing ideas through investigations informed by selecting and critically analysing sources</p> <p>Applying relevant practices</p>

	Refine ideas as work progresses through experimenting with media, materials, techniques and processes. Recording ideas, observations and insights. Use visual language to critically respond to a chosen idea, theme or artist Use drawing skills for different processes. Realise personal intentions.
Year 10 assessments	Work is completed in a sketchbook, which is regularly assessed as this forms the evidence for the GCSE qualification End of year assessment – artist response.
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	Students will look closely at a selected artist and plan a development inspired by the artists style/techniques/materials. (revision) In their assessment students will then start their development/artist response.
Year 11 remaining content/skills	Component 1 project continued– students used skills taught to realise intentions and navigate through a project from selected starting points. ESA - Students respond to their chosen starting point from an externally set assignment paper relating to their subject title
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	10-hour ESA exam

Art – Textiles

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Unit 1	Portfolio	60%	Coursework	December 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Unit 1	Portfolio	60%	Coursework	December 2026
Unit 2	Externally Set Assignment	40%	Preparation- coursework Final piece exam	April 2027

Y11

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Unit 1	Portfolio	60%	Coursework	December 2025
Unit 2	Externally Set Assignment	40%	Preparation- coursework Final piece exam	April 2026

Year 10 Art Textiles:

What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC Subject	GCSE ART Textiles
Exam Board	AQA
Exam/coursework brief overview	Introductory project – Natural Forms Component 1: portfolio – 60% Component 2: ESA – 40%
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	<p>A sustained project developed in response to a subject, theme, task or brief evidencing the journey from initial engagement with an idea(s) to the realisation of intentions. This will give students the opportunity to demonstrate, through an extended creative response, their ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skills and/or understanding from across their course of study.</p> <p>A selection of further work resulting from activities such as trials and experiments; skills-based workshops; mini and/or foundation projects.</p> <p>Externally set assignment for each title, each with seven different starting points. Students must select and respond to one starting point from their chosen title.</p>
Year 10 content	Natural forms projects - used for supporting work where students learn new skills and develop understanding of course structure. Component 1 project – students used skills taught to realise intentions and navigate through a project from selected starting points.
Year 10 skills	<p>Developing ideas through investigations informed by selecting and critically analysing sources</p> <p>Applying relevant practices</p> <p>Refine ideas as work progresses through experimenting with media, materials, techniques and processes</p> <p>Recording ideas, observations and insights. Use visual language to critically respond to a chosen idea, theme or artist.</p> <p>Use drawing skills for different processes. Realise personal intentions.</p>

Year 10 assessments	Work is completed in a sketchbook, which is regularly assessed as this forms the evidence for the GCSE qualification. End of year assessment – artist response.
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	Students will look closely at a selected artist and plan a development inspired by the artists style/techniques/materials. (revision) In their assessment students will then start their development/artist response.
Year 11 remaining content/skills	Component 1 project continued– students used skills taught to realise intentions and navigate through a project from selected starting points. ESA - Students respond to their chosen starting point from an externally set assignment paper relating to their subject title
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	10-hour ESA exam

Music

Y10 current

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
Integrated Portfolio	Free Composition	15%	Coursework	1 st Draft - end of Y10 Final Deadline – December 2026
Integrated Portfolio	Solo Performance 1	15%	Coursework	1 st Recording – Oct 2025
Practical Component	Ensemble Performance 1	15%	Coursework	1 st Recording - July 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Practical Component	Composition to a Brief	15%	Coursework	1 st Draft – Christmas Hols 2026 Final Deadline - February HT 2027
Integrated Portfolio	Solo Performance 2	15%	Coursework	2 nd Recording - October 2026
Practical Component	Ensemble Performance 2	15%	Coursework	2 nd Recording – January 2027

Y11 current

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
Integrated Portfolio	Free Composition	15%	Coursework	1 st Draft - end of Y10 Final Deadline – December 2025
Practical Component	Composition to a Brief	15%	Coursework	1 st Draft – Christmas Hols 2025 Final Deadline - February HT 2026
Integrated Portfolio	Solo Performance 2	15%	Coursework	2 nd Recording - October 2025
Practical Component	Ensemble Performance 2	15%	Coursework	2 nd Recording – January 2026
Listening and Appraisal Exam	Listening and Appraisal Examination	40%	Examination	June 2026

Year 10 Music:

What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC Subject	GCSE Music
Exam Board	OCR
Exam/coursework brief overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 30% Integrated Portfolio (Free Composition and Solo Performance) - 30% Practical Component (Composition to a Brief and Ensemble Performance) - 40% Listening and Appraisal Exam
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AcS3: Film Music - AcS5: Pop Music - Free Composition - Solo and Ensemble Performance 1
Year 10 content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elements of Music and related concepts - Film and Video Game Music - Popular Music: (Rock n Roll, Rock Anthems, Pop Ballads, Solo Artists)
Year 10 skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elements of Music (MAD T-SHIRT) - Melodic Dictation - Accurate Appraisal Skills - Exam techniques including how to complete comparison questions, 9 mark responses and score-based questions - Performing Skills - Composition Skills, including Modulation, Harmonic and Melodic Development
Year 10 assessments	<p>Pop and Film Assessment 1</p> <p>Pop and Film Assessment 2</p> <p>Solo Performance Assessment 1</p> <p>Ensemble Performance Assessment 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Free Composition Submission 1
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listening and Appraisal: Pop and Film Music Exam Questions (6 in total covering all question types) - Performance: Solo and Ensemble Performances - Composition: Free Composition Submission 1
Year 11 remaining content/skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AoS4: World Music: (Calypso, Samba, Indian Classical, Punjabi Dhranga, African Drumming, Eastern Mediterranean Folk Music)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AoS2 Concerto Through Time: Baroque, Classical and Romantic Concerto - Composition to a Brief - Solo and Ensemble Performance
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	Final CWK Submissions (40%): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Solo Performance - Ensemble Performance - Free Composition - Composition to a Brief Listening and Appraisal Exam (60%): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AoS2: Concerto Through Time - AoS3: Film Music - AoS4: World Music - AoS5: Popular Music

Revision for year 10 can be found on the Friary school shared area '*End of year 10 Revision [June 2025](#)*'

Revision for year 10 and 11 can be found on the Friary School shared area '*Student use year 11 Revision*'

GCSE PE

Y10

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework/Exam	Final Deadline
J587/01	Physical factors affecting performance	30%	Mock Exam	March 2026
J587/05	Analysis and Evaluation of Performance	10%	Coursework	July 2026

Assessment to be completed when the above cohort are in Y11:

Component	Component Title	Weighting	Coursework? Exam? Controlled assessment?	Exam date (if there is a resit also add the resit date)
J587/01	Physical factors affecting performance	30%	Exam	May 2027
J587/02	Socio-cultural issues and sports psychology	30%	Exam	June 2027

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J587/05	Analysis and Evaluation of Performance	10%	Coursework	Oct 2025
J587/03	Practical Performances	30%	Mock Practical Moderation	Feb 2026
J587/03	Practical Performances	30%	Practical Moderation	April 2026
J587/01	Physical factors affecting performance	30%	Exam	22 May (pm) 2026
J587/02	Socio-cultural issues and sports psychology	30%	Exam	3 June (pm) 2026

Year 10 GCSE PE:

What will I learn this year?

GCSE/BTEC Subject	GCSE PE
Exam Board	OCR
Exam/coursework brief overview	30% paper 1 exam – anatomy and physiology 30% paper 2 exam – socio-cultural issues in sport 40% - practical performance
Year 10 and 11 content brief overviews	30% paper 1 exam – anatomy and physiology 30% paper 2 exam – socio-cultural issues in sport 40% - practical performance
Year 10 content	30% paper 1 exam – anatomy and physiology Completion of 10% written coursework and exploration of practical grades
Year 10 skills	Understanding command words in questions. Planning and following a training programme Applying knowledge of anatomy and physiology to key questions in the exam
Year 10 assessments	5 x topic test for each topic of paper 1. 1 x mock exam Coursework hand in and feedback
Year 10 end of year exam/assessment	Mock exam completed for paper 1 after easter
Year 11 remaining content/skills	30% paper 2 exam – socio-cultural issues in sport Securing of practical grades.
Year 11 end of year exam/assessment	Paper 1 & paper 2 exams in the summer series. Paper 2 has 5 topic tests and 1 mock exam before revision starts in the lead up to the summer series. All practical marks are moderated externally on a set day in April/May.