Year 11 Curriculum Update
March 2023

Year 11 Key Future Dates 2022/23

Date	Event
Monday 15th May 2023	GCSE Exams start
Tuesday 20th June 2023	Last scheduled GCSE Exam
Friday 30th June 2023	Year 11 Prom (Ramside Hall)
Thursday 24th August 2023	GCSE Exam Results Day
Ongoing throughout 2022/23	One-to-one meetings with our careers advisor to discuss and support Post-16 options
Wednesday mornings (ongoing)	Presentations to pupils from Post-16 Providers

Year 11 Curriculum Plans & Progress

Our website has lots of curriculum information, including copies of 'Long Term Plans' for all subjects [LINK] so that you and your child can see key aspects of each course.

We have a dedicated email address should you have any queries about the curriculum or your child's progress [Y11Progress@venerablebede.co.uk]. In your email, please clearly state the name of your child, give a brief outline of your query and the subject it relates to – this will help us to forward your email to the most appropriate member(s) of staff.

Year 11 Revision Schedule

The most recent version of our Year 11 after-school revision schedule can be found **HERE**

Year 11 Seneca Learning

We are delighted to announce that we have invested in Seneca Premium to support your child's revision in the final run up to their examinations this summer.

What is Seneca?
Seneca Learning is an online learning platform that has high-quality courses for all GCSE subjects. Your child will be able to log into Seneca on phone, tablet or computer and study any of their school GCSE subjects. Seneca's Premium pass offers them access to:
- Over 800 online courses such as Hardest Questions, Predicted Papers, and HyperLearning.
- Smart Learning Mode which uses data & neuroscience to tell your child exactly what to learn and when to learn it.
- Wrong Answer Mode helps pupils learn as quickly as possible.

How should your child use Seneca Premium?

All pupil accounts have been set up with their school email addresses – please see below. There is a useful PowerPoint [LINK] that Seneca have put together with top tips for pupils about how to use the package.

Seneca Premium Parent Accounts

Seneca also provides free parent accounts. Their free parent accounts allow you to track your child's learning/revision or learn alongside your child. This can help make conversations about school, learning and revision easier.
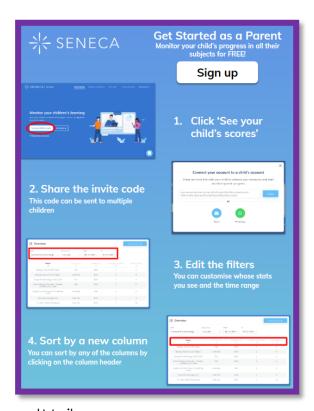
 You can sign up for a free Seneca parent account here:
app.senecalearning.com/parent

Seneca have made this handy 2 minute video to help you get started. Or you can read how to get your free account if you'd prefer.

If you have any questions about how Seneca works, you can get support from the Seneca team using the live chat on their website or you can email them at learnmore@seneca.ioParentMail.

Logging in (information for pupils)

All pupils have a Seneca Premium account. They can login to Seneca by visiting app.senecalearning.com

Pupils can access their Seneca Premium account using the following account details:

- If you already have a Seneca account linked to a school email, your login details will not change.
- If setting up a new account with **your school email address,** when logging in for the first time, please use the following version of your email address:

fred.bloggs23@venerablebede.co.uk

(i.e. **NOT** the shortened fbloggs@venerablebede.co.uk version)

and the password: **seneca2020**

It is **REALLY** important that you change your password the first time you log in.

Adding courses (information for pupils)

Pupils can add courses using the filters down the left hand side of their Seneca Dashboard – A list of the exam boards for each subject can be found on the next page. Once courses have been added, pupils can use both the free and premium resources to revise.

Year 11 Other Sources of Revision

Our **2022/23 Examination Preparation & Revision Guide** is an ideal place to find key information to help support your child in preparing & revising for exams. It is also a great place to find ideas for how to revise. Exams can be a challenging time for us all but hopefully, by working in partnership, we can ensure that pupils are as supported and prepared as they can be for any exams they need to take, knowing that we all 'did our best' along the way. The following table shows some recommended revision websites for each subject:

Subject & Exam Board	Recommended Revision Website(s)
English Language (Edexcel)	BBC Bitesize: Language Edexcel: English Language
English Literature (Edexcel)	BBC Bitesize: Literature Oak National Academy Edexcel: Literature
Mathematics (AQA)	Corbett Maths Maths Genie Mr Barton Maths Dr Frost Maths
Biology (Edexcel)	BBC Bitesize: Biology (Separate Science) Free Science Lessons Cognito
Chemistry (Edexcel)	BBC Bitesize: Chemistry (Separate Science) Free Science Lessons Cognito
Physics (Edexcel)	BBC Bitesize: Physics (Separate Science) Free Science Lessons Cognito
Combined Science (Edexcel)	BBC Bitesize: Combined Science Free Science Lessons Cognito
Religious Studies (Eduqas)	BBC Bitesize: Religious Studies Eduqas: Religious Studies
Geography (AQA)	BBC Bitesize: Geography Cool Geography
History (Edexcel)	Medicine Through Time: BBC Teach BBC Bitesize: History
Spanish (Eduqas)	BBC Bitesize: Spanish Eduqas: Spanish
Resistant Materials (AQA)	Technology Student BBC Bitesize: Resistant Materials
GCSE PE (Edexcel)	Seneca Learning BBC Bitesize: GCSE PE The PE Classroom
Music (AQA)	BBC Bitesize: Music Teaching Gadget