

### Year 11 Information Evening

Mr Larkin, Headteacher Mr Carter, Leadership Director Mrs Black, Head of Year 11

#### Agenda.

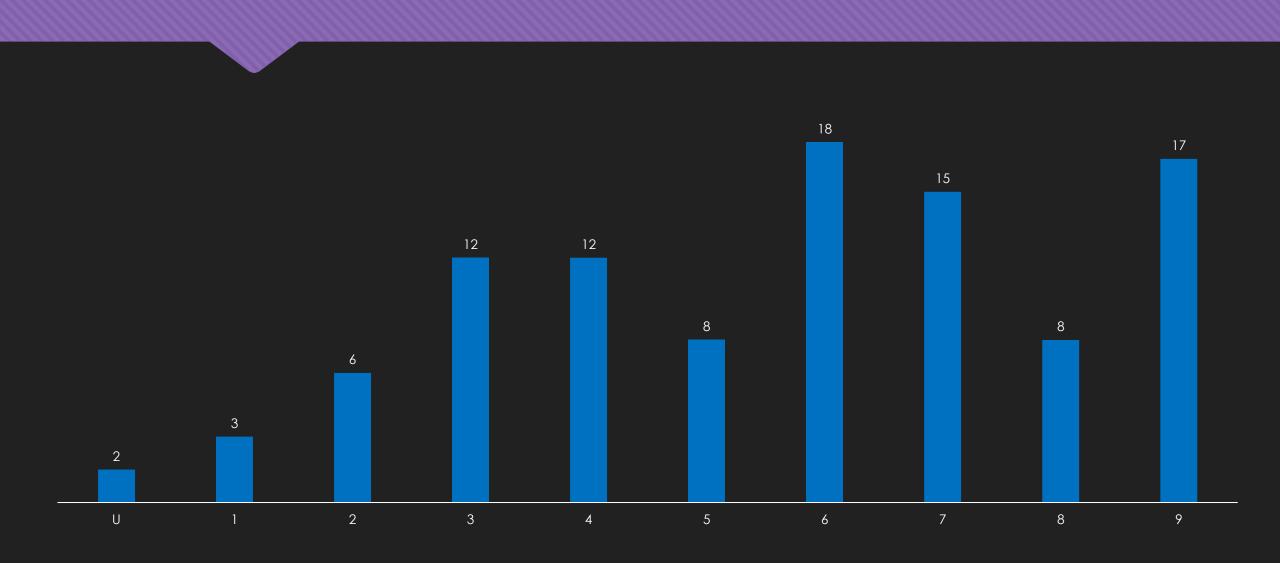
- Setting the scene for the year ahead.
- Key dates and milestones.
- The Lowton 'Revise' programme.
- Wellbeing and looking after yourself.
- The importance of home and school working together.
- Support for college applications and careers.
- Mocks: key dates and what happens afterwards.
- Frequently asked questions.





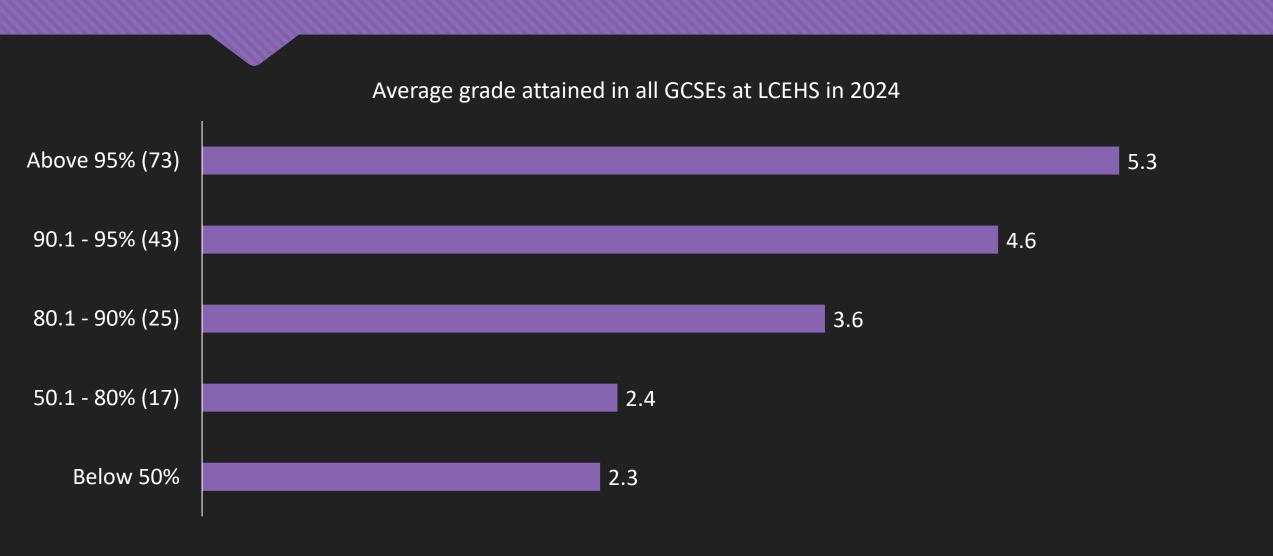


## Excellent RS GCSE results at the end of Y10 last summer provide a strong foundation for success in summer 2025.

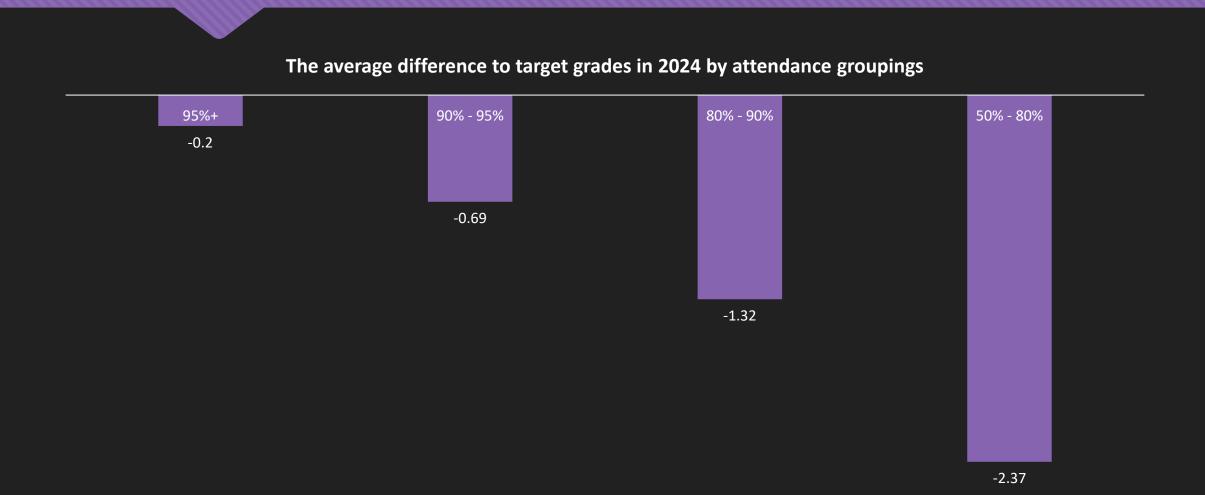




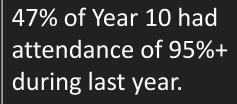
## Attendance below 95% will significantly impact your grades next summer.



## Or put another way, the better your attendance is the more likely you will get close to your targets.

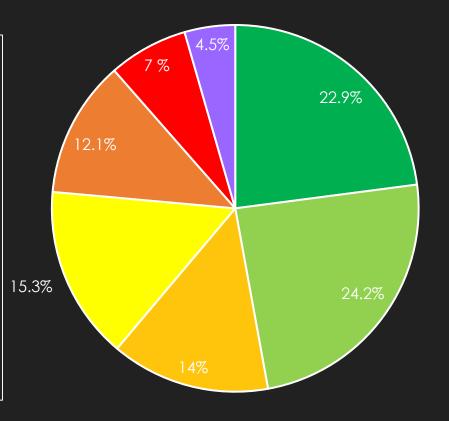


#### End of Year 10 attendance by bands (July 2023)



Less than a quarter had 97%+ attendance

53% of the year could be on track to fall significantly short of their targets.



- A (97-100)
- ■B (95-97)
- ■C (93-94)
- □D (90-92)
- ■E (80-89)
- ■F (51-79)
- ■G (below 51)

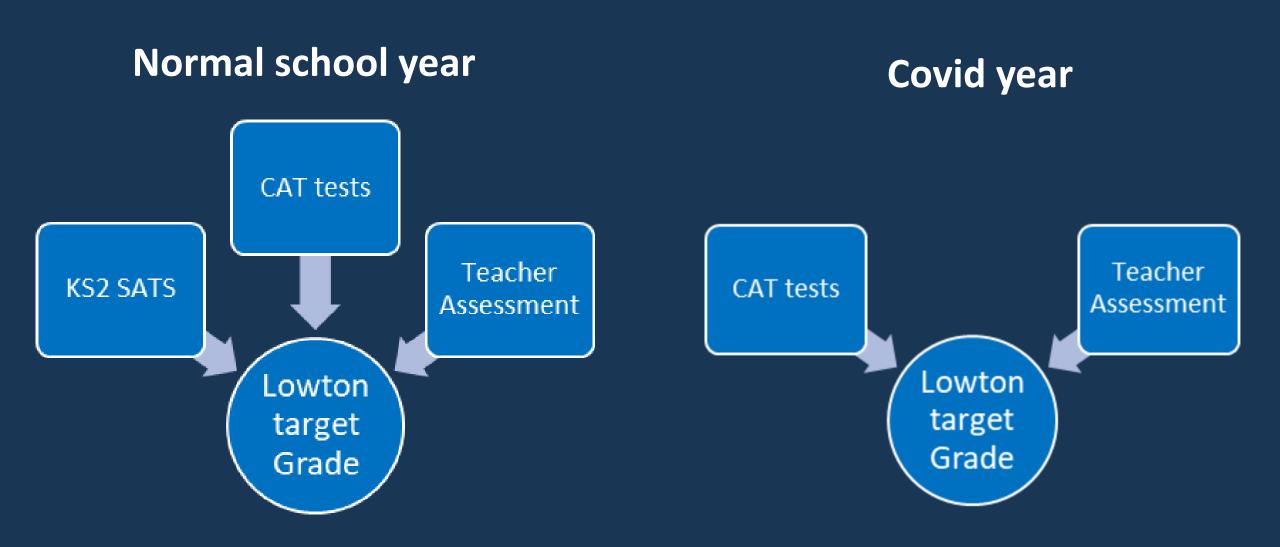


#### Year 11 "The Big Picture"





#### **Year 11 Target setting**





#### Revise Half term one intervention classes

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After school intervention	2.50 - 3.40	2.50 - 3.40	2.50 - 3.40	2.50 - 3.40
	<b>Maths</b> Miss Fazakerley Mr Dunne Mr Sutherland (X band)	<b>Maths</b> Mr Sutherland (Y band)	<b>Maths</b> Mr Rimmington	<b>Maths</b> Miss Robb
		<b>English</b> Ms Foulds Miss Rullo	<b>English</b> Mrs Larkin	<b>Art</b> Mrs Sutherland Miss Gebelli
Staff meeting/training		<b>Science</b> Mrs Ibbotson Mrs Critchley	<b>Science</b> Mr McGuinness (Triple Science)	<b>Computing</b> Mr Burgess
		<b>Geography</b> Mr Merrick Miss Calland	<b>History</b> Miss O'Dea-Baxter Mr Cotton	
		<b>PE</b> Mr Wilson Miss Picton		
		<b>DT</b> Mr Yearsley		

This will be updated each half term

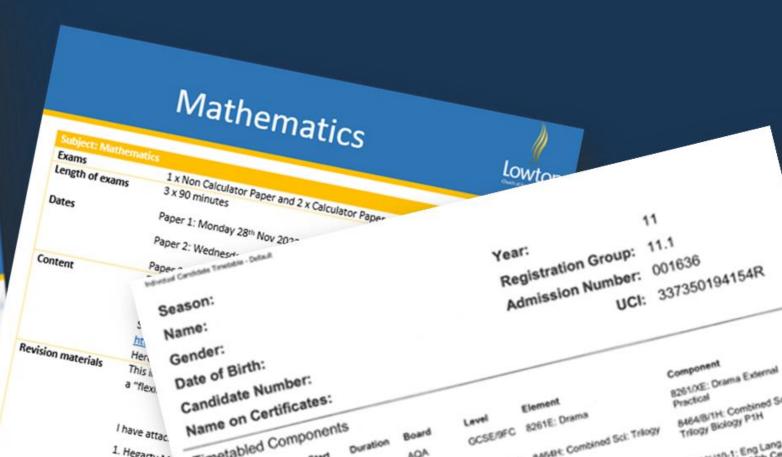


#### **Mock Exams**

#### Monday 25th November to Friday 13th December



**Student and Parent** 





#### Revise Year 11 parents' evening and reporting home



Reporting				
Half term	Sent home	Туре		
Autumn 1	Week beginning 14th October 2024	Pastoral		
Autumn 2	Week beginning 13th January 2025	Mock Results		
Spring 1	Week beginning 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Pastoral		
Spring 2	Week beginning 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	Pastoral and Attainment		
Summer 1	Week beginning 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Pastoral		

Parents' Evening				
Half term	Day	Туре		
Spring	23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025 (3.30 to 6.30pm)	In person (Sports Hall)		

Future Webinars				
Half term	Day	Focus		
Autumn 2	4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (6.00pm to 6.45pm)	Mock Exam preparation		
Spring 2	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 (6.00pm to 6.45pm)	GCSE Exam preparation		



#### The Five Elements

**Organisation:** a plan and space

Wellbeing: looking after yourself

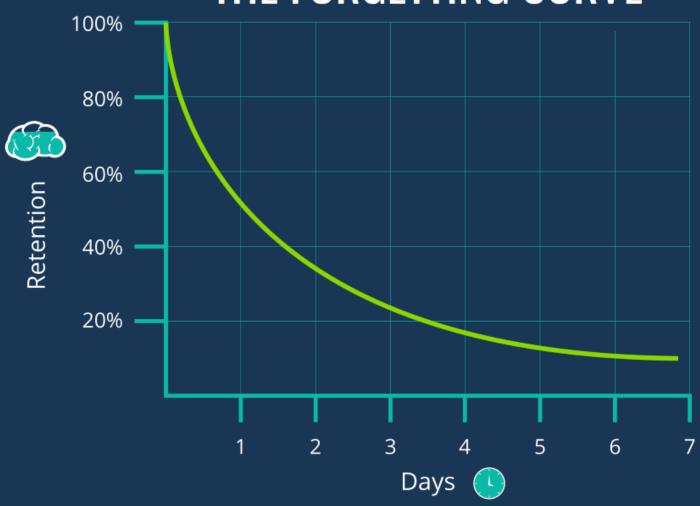
Revision techniques: what, why and how

**Exam day:** maximising your scores

**Understanding:** how to revise effectively

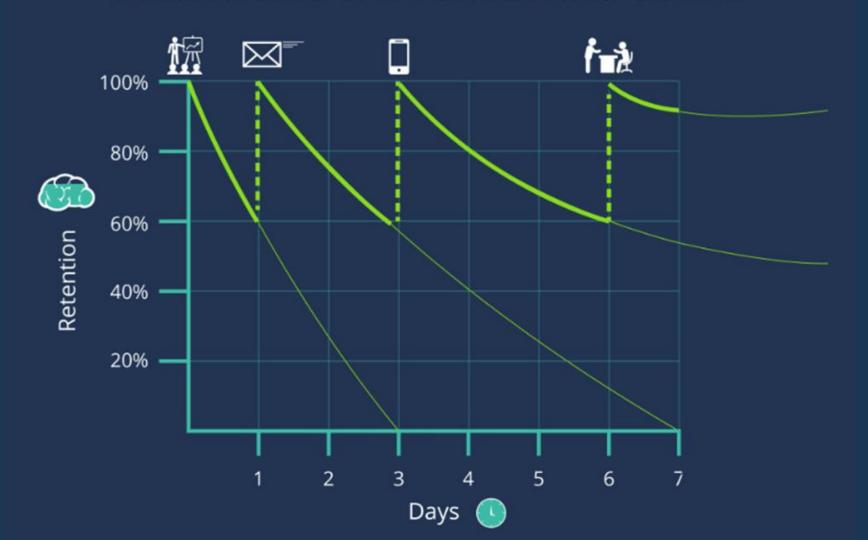






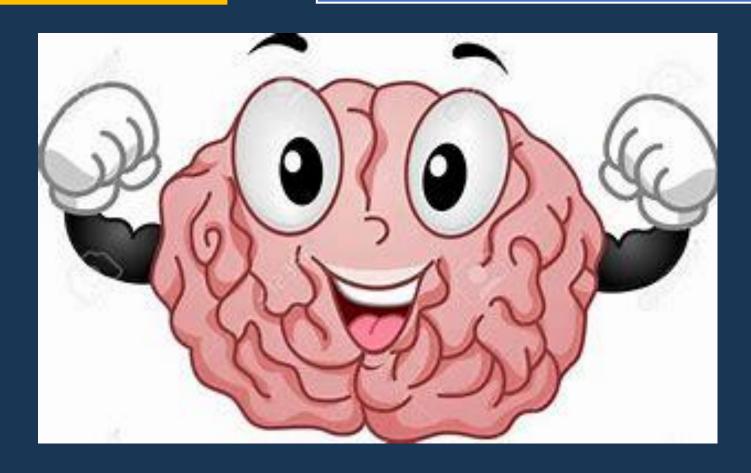


#### COMBATTING THE FORGETTING CURVE





## Brains need to work in order to retrieve information effectively.

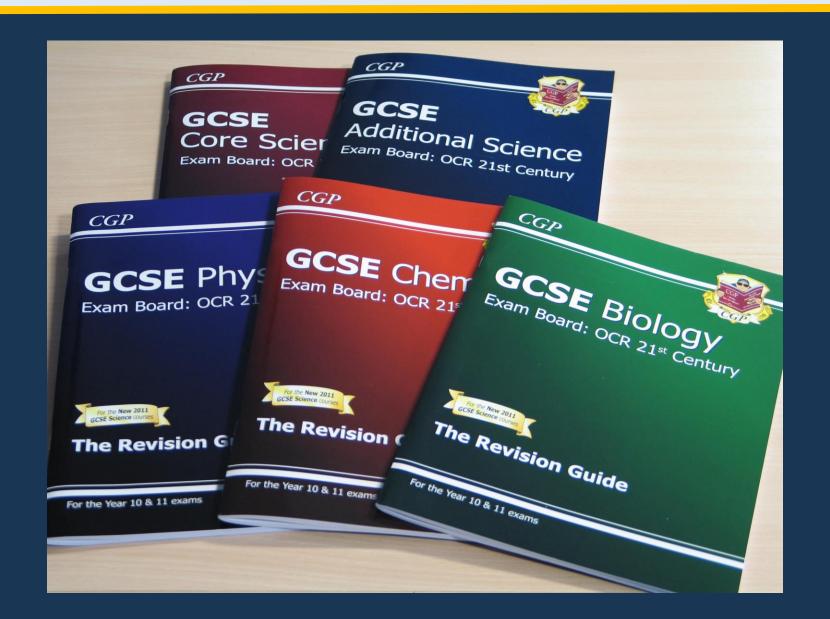


Spaced Repetition

**Retrieval Practice** 

It is the **act** of retrieving the information from your brain which strengthens the connections in your brain.







#### **Careers and College Applications**



#### **POST-16 GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT**

Scan the QR Codes from your device to access useful documents that will aid and support you post 16.

#### **OPTIONS FOR THE END OF YEAR 11**

Want to view the options you have at the end of Year 11? View this document to browse the many options.



#### **POST-16 OPTIONS GUIDE**

Want to explore the many options that you have when leaving school? Use this QR code to view a document that will help you with this.



#### **HOW TO WRITE A CV GUIDE**

Want some tips on how to create your very on CV? If so, use this document to help you format and create a professional CV.



#### HOW TO PREPARE FOR A JOB INTERVIEW

Want some tips on how to be prepared for a job interview? Use this document to ensure you are ready with everything you need to know.



We ask all pupils to apply to at least 2 colleges by Christmas



WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TODAY TO MAKE YOU FEEL -PROUD-



### When will I get my Prom invite?

Students will receive the first wave of invitations around February half term.

Those not invited in the first wave will be set a target to address and the remaining invitations will be given by Easter.

The Prom is a school event led by staff who give up their free time to organise and run the event.

There is no 'right' to be there, but we want as many students as possible to attend.

### Will my child get study leave?

No, we do not have study leave at Lowton. There is no common 'last day' where students leave and only come back to school for their exams.

Instead we have a model where we continue to teach every lesson in a subject until that subject has finished. There is a tipping point where students will naturally have completed a subject and have no exams on that day.

At that point students would either revise at home or attend specialist revision sessions in school for the subjects they have not yet completed.

We will communicate that calendar in May.

# If I have revision guides from last year will they be valid?

In most cases they will be valid. However, please check the title against that on the revision guide letter or check with the subject teacher. We advise students have a clean copy of revision guides.

# What grades should my child put on their college application?

Students can add their current working at grade, their target or their mock exam grade, whichever of those three is the highest.

We do not provide predicted grades.

# What are the dates of the GCSE exams in May and June?

Written exams start on the 8th of May 2025.

We are still waiting for all the exam boards to release the dates of their exams.

When we have that information we will provide students, parents and carers

with an exam schedule.

#### When can we book our holiday?

No earlier than 26th June. There is a National Contingency Date on the 25th June that students need to be available for.

The National Contingency Date would be used as required if, for instance, there was a national incident which meant that an exam could not be sat. This is not a date when students can catch up missed papers.

# Will I get help with my college application?

Yes. We offer support in form times, with our careers team and via online documents that can be accessed via a QR code.

### How do I plan out my revision timetable?

We support students in making a revision timetable in school.

This will be done in form time and will map against the homework timetables.

Pupils will be asked to do up to 100 minutes of revision 5 times per week.

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## I am going for an apprenticeship, do I still apply for college?'

Yes. Some colleges allow you to express interest in apprenticeships on application and then they will receive information from the colleges directly.

We will also support students in applying for apprenticeships from January. However, we still ask students to apply for at least two colleges, so they have choices when they receive their results.



#### Please send any further questions to

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and we will send a reply to your question or contact you directly.