

The Gilbert School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 9 Summer Assessment

As we approach the summer assessment period, we would like to share key information about how this supports your child's transition into GCSE study. From September 2026, Year 9 students will be fully immersed in all of their GCSE courses, making this an important time to develop the skills, confidence and habits needed for success.

During the two-week assessment window, students will complete assessments designed to check their understanding and introduce them to GCSE expectations and routines. While we maintain a supportive approach, these assessments are an important step in helping students understand the standards required and the value of consistent effort.

Throughout the year, students have been developing revision techniques and independent study skills. These will continue to be reinforced by subject teachers to ensure students feel prepared for Year 10. Assessment outcomes will also help inform appropriate groupings and support moving forward.

A two-week assessment timetable has been provided with this letter. We encourage you to review this with your child and support them in organising their revision time. Students will not be assessed in mini option subjects, computer studies, design technology, PE, drama or music. Please note that on Friday 8th May 2026, students taking short course RE will complete a full mock exam in the exam hall.

Student wellbeing remains a priority. Staff will continue to support and guide students, reminding them that progress takes time and that mistakes are part of learning. At home, your encouragement and support with routines and organisation can have a significant impact.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Yours faithfully

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Year 9 Summer Assessment Timetable

Week A 1st June – 5th June

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 1-June	9y3 MFL		9X3 MFL	ALL of 9x Biology	9x4 History ALL of 9y Biology
Tuesday 2-June	9x2 Geography	9yB1 MFL 9BBR Art			9xB1 MFL 9x3 MFL 9xA1 MFL
Wednesday 3-June	9x1 Geography 9x2 History 9x3 English		9x1A Maths 9x1B Maths 9x2 Maths 9x3 Maths 9xA4 MFL 9xB4 Maths 9x5 Maths 9y3 Geography 9y5 Geography	9y3 English 9y4 History 9y6 Geography	9x4 Geography 9y1A Maths 9y1B Maths 9y2 Maths 9y3 Maths 9yA4 MFL
Thursday 4-June	9xB1 Maths 9x2 MFL 9x3 Maths 9xA4 Maths 9xB4 Maths 9yA1 MFL 9yB1 Maths 9y2 Maths 9y3 Maths 9yA4 Maths 9yB4 Maths		9x3 English 9x5 Geography 9x6 Geography 9x7 Geography	9y1 Geography 9y5 History	9xA1 Maths 9xB1 MFL 9x2 Maths 9xA4 Maths 9x5 Maths 9y3 History 9y4 Geography
Friday 5-June	9xA1 MFL 9xA4 MFL 9yA4 Maths 9yB4 Maths	9x3 Geography 9x5 English 9yA1 Maths 9yB2 MFL 9y2 MFL 9yA4 MFL 9yB4 MFL	9y2 Geography		9y2 English

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Week B 8th June – 12th June

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday 8-June	9DBU Art 9yA1 MFL	9ABA Art	9x7 English ALL of 9y Chemistry		ALL of 9x Chemistry 9MAR Art 9ERI Art
Tuesday 9- June	9x7 History	9y6 English	9x2 English 9y4 English 9y6 History		
Wednesday 10-June	ALL of 9x Physics 9yB4 MFL	9x2 MFL 9y2 History	9IMC Art	9x1 English 9x6 English ALL of 9y Physics	
Thursday 11-June	9y1 English 9y5 English	9TEM Art	9x5 History 9y3 MFL	9y2 MFL	9x6 History 9EEL Art
Friday 12-June		9BAN Art	9JCO Art 9GHO Art	9x1 History 9x3 History	9y1 History