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Dear Parent/Carer,

Science Assessments and CGP revision guides

As part of the on-going changes involved in the learning within Science we are changing the way we approach assessments. Students will now sit internal assessments within Science on a set date and lesson which they will be made aware of well in advance. The number of small topic assessments has been reduced to make way for assessments of greater challenge and importance.

The Science department has invested in CGP GCSE Science revision guides for every student in Years 9, 10 and 11, giving students the opportunity to prepare thoroughly for their on-going assessments and ultimately their GCSEs. Science teachers will make students aware of key pages to work from and different revision techniques to use in combination with their CGP guide prior to each assessment. After their final GCSE Science exam students will be able to return unwanted revision guides for use by other students.

Following the assessments, students who show a lack of understanding in certain topics will be invited to attend extra sessions after school to improve their understanding and progress. These sessions will be compulsory since students should be aiming to address any gaps in their knowledge immediately.

As always, the Science department continues to offer extra sessions for all students to gain support where necessary. These run on Week 1: Thursday in room A28 and Week 2 Monday in room A2.

Assessment dates are shown on the reverse of this letter and parents can also access the assessment topics via 'Show My Homework' and the Academy website. Completed assessments will be sent home in exercise books for parents to see and results will be reflected in their predicted grades.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Science

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The Ripley Academy Science Assessment Dates

Y11 Assessments	Date
Y11 Assessment 1	Thursday 12 th October Period 3
Y11 Assessment 2	Week starting 4 th December: Mock exam week
Y11 Assessment 3	Monday 5 th March Period 4
Y11 Assessment 4	Monday 16 th April Period 4

Y10 Assessments	Date
Y10 Assessment 1	Friday 13 th October Period 1
Y10 Assessment 2	Monday 4 th December Period 4
Y10 Assessment 3	Wednesday 28 th February Period 4
Y10 Assessment 4	Wednesday 11 th April Period 4
Y10 Assessment 5	Week Beginning 18 th June Mock Exam week

Y9 Assessment	Date
Y9 Assessment 1	Wednesday 18 th October Period 3
Y9 Assessment 2	Wednesday 10 th January Period 3
Y9 Assessment 3	Wednesday 11 th April Period 3
Y9 Assessment 4	Week Beginning 25 th June Mock Exam week