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Dear Pupil

You should already be preparing for the mock examinations with some serious revision. It is well known that thorough revision at this stage is good preparation for next summer's examination. When you make revision notes **do not throw them away** – they can be expanded upon and used for further revision.

When you come to revise ensure:

- You find a suitable area in which to study and put aside some special time.
- Draw up a revision timetable. An example pattern is shown below.
- Be realistic in what you hope to achieve. You should study in short (25 minute) spells and then have a couple of minutes break. For the next session study a different subject.
- Use one short session each night to recap previous work.
- About one and half hours per weekday night (minimum) is appropriate for most people.

MONDAY

RE	25 minutes
Option A	25 minutes
Option B	25 minutes

TUESDAY

RE (recap of Mon)	10 minutes
Option C	25 minutes
Option A (recap of Mon)	10 minutes
Maths	25 minutes
Option B (recap of Monday)	10 minutes

WEDNESDAY

Option C (recap of Tues)	10 minutes
English	25 minutes
Maths (recap of Tues)	10 minutes
Option D	25 minutes
Recap Monday	15 minutes

THURSDAY

English (recap of Mon)	10 minutes
Science	25 minutes
Option D (recap of Wed)	10 minutes
BACS	25 minutes
Recap Tuesday	15 minutes

FRIDAY

Science (recap of Thurs)	15 minutes
BACS (recap of Thurs)	15 minutes
Recap Wednesday	15 minutes

SATURDAY / SUNDAY

Recap all subjects	20 minutes each
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When you are making revision notes do not just copy out you books/files. When making notes they should be:

- Well organised, clearly set out, **condensed** notes. You may wish to set them out on cards.
- Arranged in **subjects** and then subdivided into **topics**.
- Use highlighters, red pen or underlining to draw attention to the most important points.
- All notes must be **in your own words** for them to be most effective. By using your own words you will have more chance of remembering them.
- Good notes and preparation now will ease the pressure next year.
- Try using the website www.getrevising.co.uk to help you plan your revision programme.

Finally, good luck, work hard, but above all **do not panic**, you can only do your best!

