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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: GCSE Science revision resource

One of the challenges of the current science GCSEs is the volume of content students need to know. Topics they have learnt in year 9 will be tested at the end of year 11 and, whilst it will be revised before then, something that helps students review knowledge regularly would give them a big advantage going into their GCSE science exams. It will also remove some of the stress of revision as they will have accumulated hours over the year already.

There is an award-winning web-based program called Tassomai that we have provided access to over recent years that helps students to do this. The idea of it is that regular reviewing of content is far superior to cramming revision into one big session. This is a well-accepted view that is supported by research. The Tassomai program is very accessible and can be used on a computer, tablet or phone for any length of time. Students can go on it at anytime and anywhere with internet coverage

Students are challenged with a daily goal to answer a certain number of questions a day. It has an algorithm that helps it adapt to each individual and makes questions that are answered incorrectly occur more frequently until students get them correct. If students are performing well on a topic, it will increase the time gap before re-testing them to see if they still remember. If a student does not meet a daily goal it doesn't matter, it will just set a new one the following day.

The best way to use this would be to use it regularly throughout the week, though any regular use would be useful. Students can also program topics to be asked about if they have a specific topic to revise for. If a student completed 10 minutes of questions on a school day, this would amount to 50 minutes a week and 33 hours over the 40 weeks at school – even more if they use it in the holidays! This is far more than could be done in the weeks leading up to an exam and longer lasting in the memory. Students level up the more they do so it is easy for you to incentivise your child with rewards for regular progress. Tassomai also sends out weekly parent reports via email which detail the statistics for your child's usage and performance on Tassomai.

Through the school, students are able to purchase a login to use it for a vastly reduced rate. For a one-year membership it costs £15 (a private membership is around £45 per month). If you would like more information please visit: <https://www.tassomai.com/how>

Like anything, it only works if you use it! This is an additional resource and the school will not monitor your child's use of it. If you choose to purchase it for your child, you will need to be happy to work with them to monitor its use. It can be easily monitored by looking at the daily goals and use over time. It is a great resource if your child is already in the habit of working independently, or if they want to get into this habit. It does not replace anything your child might already use but, if they engage, could make a huge difference to their overall grade.



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If you think your child would benefit from using this, please complete the reply form here: <https://forms.office.com/e/DZivV5DsVr> or via the QR code below. Please note, if we receive additional Pupil Premium funding for your child, we are able to provide access to this resource with a 50% discount, please tick the box on the order form if you would like to sign up for this.

Please note, the **deadline** for signing up to Tassomai is **Friday 24th October**. We need to inform Tassomai of all users by this date and pay for the licenses.



Yours faithfully,

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