

# Science Department



# Y11 Parent Handbook

Dear Parent/Carer,

This booklet is designed to help you understand how the Science Department at Droylsden Academy supports your child in the build up to their GCSE examinations.

We hope you will find it a useful guide for how best to support your child with their organisation and preparation for the weekly assessments. Last year's results show that our strategy is successful when students engage with the process and put effort into revision outside of the classroom. We had some wonderful success stories and, without fail, these individuals regularly produced outstanding preparation and consistently met their targets in the weekly assessments.

We believe strong links with home are vital, which is why we communicate every week via text and let you know how your child has done in that week's test.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any concerns or feedback for us. We really do welcome your comments.

# **Final Examination Dates**

Exam	Date
Biology Paper 1	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May - PM
Chemistry Paper 1	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May - AM
Physics Paper 1	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May - PM
Biology Paper 2	Monday 1st June - PM
Chemistry Paper 2	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June - AM
Physics Paper 2	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June - AM

# **Weekly Assessments**

Each week your child will sit a weekly test. This plan tells you, week by week which topics are being assessed.

# Science Weekly Assessment Plan

Biology Paper 1 - Required Practicals   Microscopy   4.1.1.2   12-13	12-13 18 28 26 52
09/09       Osmosis       4.1.3.2       18         Week 2       Food Tests       4.2.2.1       29         Enzymes and pH       4.2.2.1       26         Photosynthesis       4.4.1.2       51         Chemistry Paper 1 – Required Practicals         16/09       Preparing Soluble Salts       5.4.2.3       131         Week 3       Electrolysis of Aqueous Solutions       5.4.3.4       136         Temperature Changes in Reactions       5.5.1.1       139	18 28 26 52
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Specific Heat Capacity 6.1.1.3 169	171
23/09 Resistance in Circuits 6.2.1.3 180 + 185	182 + 197
Week 4 IV Characteristics 6.2.1.4 181	183
Determining Density 6.3.1.1 192	194
R6: Mejocis sevual and asevual reproduction	
30/09   DNA genetic terms determining several   4.5.1.1-4.5.1.3   68-73	66-70
Week 5 Punnett squares, 4.6.1.6	
R6: Inheriting genetic disorders, variation 4614-4615	
//10 evolution fossils extinction explaining resistant 4.6.2.1-4.6.2.2 /4-/b	71-76
Week 6 bacteria. 4.6.3.1-4.6.3.4 79-80	79
14/10 B6: Genetic engineering, selective breeding and 4.6.2.3-4.6.2.4 77-78	77-78
Week 7 classification 4.6.4 81	80-81
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Week 8 factors, adaptations and levels of organisation 4.7.2.1	83-86
October half	
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B7: Determining population size, the carbon	
4/11 cycle the water cycle 4.7.2.1-4.7.2.2 87-90	87-90
Week 9 Required Practical: Measuring population size	
R7: Rindiversity, waste management, land use	
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Week 10 biodiversity	
18/11 Assessment Week: PPF1	
Week 11 Full Biology Paper 2 (2019) Topics B5 – B7 58-94	57-94
25/11 Assessment Week: PPF1	
Week 12 Full Biology Paper 2 (2019) Topics B5 – B7 58-94	57-94
C7: Crude oil structure and properties of	
2/12 hydrocarbons alkanes fractional distillation 5.7.1.1-5.7.1.4 150-152	146-149
Week 13 cracking and alkenes	
C8: Pure substances, formulations,	
9/12 chromatography gas tests 5 8 1 1-5 8 1 3	
Week 14 Required Practical: Chromatography and Rf 5.8.2.1-5.8.2.4	150-154
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16/12 Week 15	C9: Gases in the early atmosphere and today, explaining atmospheric changes, the greenhouse effect, human effects on the atmosphere, climate change, carbon footprint, fuels as pollutants and their effects	5.9.1.1-5.9.1.4 5.9.2.1-5.9.2.4 5.9.3.1-5.9.3.2	157-160	155-158
Christmas Holidays				
6/01 Week 16	C10: Using Earth's resources, potable water, treating waste water, life cycle assessments and reducing use of resources HIGHER: Alternative methods of metal extraction	5.10.1.1-5.10.1.3 5.10.2.1-5.10.2.2 Higher: 5.10.1.4	161-166	159-165
13/01 Week 17	P5: Scalar and vector quantities, contact and non-contact forces, gravity (W=mg) and resultant forces	6.5.1.1-6.5.1.4	201-203	203-205
20/01 Week 18	P5: Work Done (W=Fs) and Hooke's Law Required Practical: Investigating elastic forces	6.5.2 6.5.3	203-206	205-207
27/01 Week 19	P5: Distance, displacement, speed (s=vt), velocity, distance-time graphs, acceleration, velocity-time graphs and terminal velocity	6.5.4.1.1- 6.5.4.1.5	207-210	208-211
3/02 Week 20	Assessment Week: PPE2 Full Chemistry Paper 2 (2019)	Topics C6-C10	142-165	138-165
10/02 Week 21	Assessment Week: PPE2 Full Chemistry Paper 2 (2019)	Topics C6-C10	142-165	138-165
February half Term				
24/02 Week 22	P5: Newton's Laws, stopping distances, reaction times and momentum	6.5.4.2 6.5.4.3 Higher: 6.5.5	211-216	212-217
2/03 Week 23	P6: Transverse and longitudinal waves, properties of waves, wave experiments and refraction, uses and properties of EM waves Required Practical: Ripple tank and waves on a string, Investigating infra-red radiation	6.6.1 6.6.2	218-226	219-228
9/03 Week 24	In Class Assessment: Physics Paper 2 (2019)	Topics P5-P7	201-230	203-230
16/03 Week 25	Assessment – Biology Paper 1	Topics B1-B4	11-56	11-55
23/03 Week 26	Assessment – Chemistry Paper 1	Topics C1-C5	96-140	96-136
30/03 Week 27	Assessment – Physics Paper 1	Topics P1-P4	167-199	167-201
Easter Holidays				
20/04 Week 28	Final GCSE Examination Revision			
27/04 Week 29	Final GCSE Examination Revision			
04/05 Week 30	Final GCSE Examination Revision			
11/05 Week 31	Exams start			

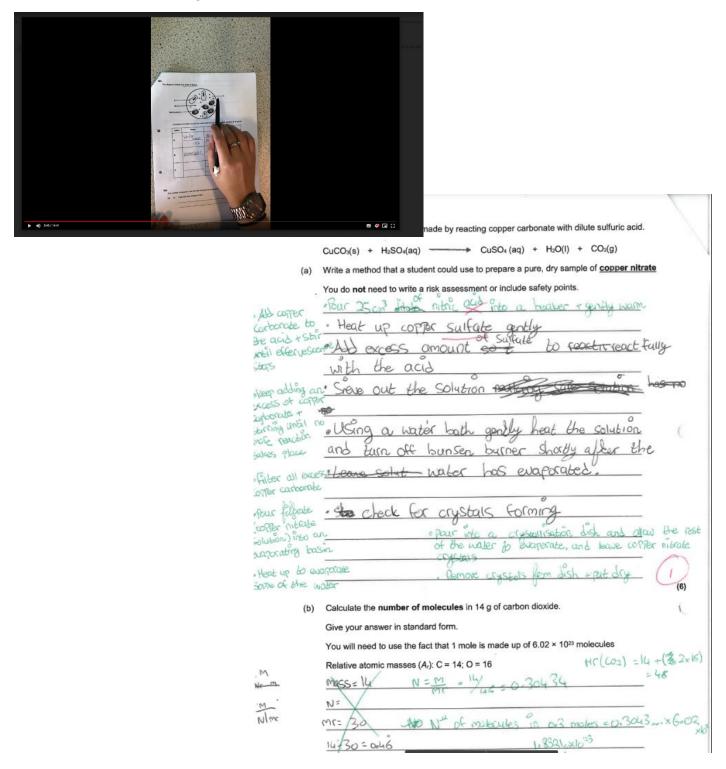
## **Weekly Assessment Preparation**

Each week your child will need to prepare for their weekly test, this forms part of their homework each week. You can help them with their organisation, and remind them what they have to do every week.

## TASK 1: correct the previous week's test

To do this, they will need to watch the video that will have been emailed to them (you will also find it on Show My Homework). This video contains a commentary of how to approach each question as well as the correct answers.

This must be done to a good standard. Here is an example:



# TASK 2: complete the next steps for the previous week's test

To do this, they will need their revision guide (the page numbers are given to them on your assessment for support). The next steps are designed to allow students to stretch and challenge themselves on their weaker areas.

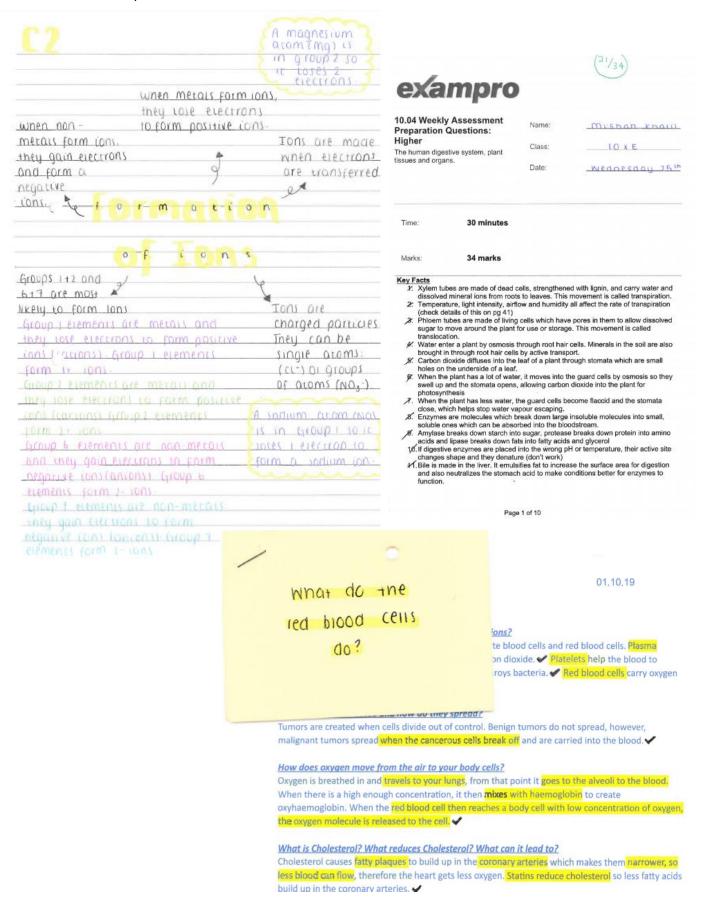
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# TASK 3a: preparation for the next week's test – key facts

Each student must copy out the key facts fully. Each class teacher will guide students as to how many times they must be copied.

For further preparation, students should use additional revision strategies to help them remember the key facts.



# TASK 3b: preparation for the next week's test – preparation questions

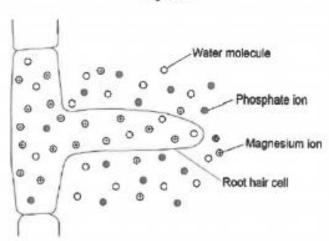
In the preparation booklet, there are exam questions designed to help student's develop their exam technique. Attached is also the mark scheme, so that students can self-assess each answer.

This should be done to a good quality with no gaps. Here is an example.

(e) Particles can move into and out of cells by different processes.

Figure 2 shows different particles inside and outside a root hair cell.

Figure 2



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an	vel 2: Relevant points (correct processes / explanations) are identified d there are attempts at logical thinking. The resulting account is not fully lar.	3-4
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	water is absorbed by osmosis	
•	osmosis is a passive process, or described	
•	water in soil is at a higher concentration than inside cell	
	water moves down concentration gradient	
•	through a partially permeable membrane	
•	phosphate ions absorbed by diffusion	
•	diffusion is a passive process, or described	
•	phosphate ions are in a higher concentration in soil than inside cells	
•	magnesium ions are absorbed by active transport	
•	magnesium ions are in lower concentration in soil than inside cells	
•	magnesium ions move from an area of lower concentration to an area of higher concentration inside the cells	
•	magnesium ions move up the concentration gradient	
•	process requires energy	
	energy from respiration	

# Explain the processes by which the different particles would enter the root hair cell.

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# In summary, every Tuesday your child should bring with them:

- 1. Feedback from previous week's assessment (greenpen and next steps completed)
- 2. Key facts copied out into their purple book
- 3. Preparation questions completed and self-assessed

# **Revision Strategies**

You can also help your child with their revision. Below is a step-by-step guide to help student's understand how to make good revision notes. You should spend some time and go through this with your child.

Step 1 – decide which areas are the weakest/strongest (ALWAYS start with the weakest!!)

**<u>Biology Paper 1</u>** – Biology Topics 1-4

Topic	Higher Revision Guide Pages	Foundation Revision Guide Pages		
B1 - Cell Biology	11-23	11-23		
B2 – Organisation	24-42	24-41		
B3 – Infection and Response	43-49	42-49		
B4 – Bioenergetics	50-57	50-56		

# **Chemistry Paper 1** – Chemistry Topics 1-5

Topic	Higher Revision Guide Pages	Foundation Revision Guide Pages	<u></u>	
C1 – Atomic Structure and the Periodic Table	96-111	96-112		
C2 – Bonding, Structure and Properties of Matter	112-122	113-122		
C3 – Quantitative Chemistry	123-128	123-127		
C4 – Chemical Changes	129-137	128-133		
C5 – Energy Changes	138-141	134-137		

# **Physics Paper 1** – Physics Topics 1-4

Topic	Higher Revision Guide Pages	Foundation Revision Guide Pages	(:·)	<u></u>	
P1 – Energy	167-178	167-179			
P2 – Electricity	179-190	180-192			
P3 – Particle Model of Matter	191-194	193-196			
P4 – Atomic Structure	195-200	197-202			

# **Biology Paper 2** – Biology Topics 5-7

Topic	Higher Revision Guide Pages	Foundation Revision Guide Pages		
B5 – Homeostasis and Response	58-67	57-65		
B6 – Inheritance, Variation and Evolution	68-82	66-82		
B7 - Ecology	83-95	83-95		

# **Chemistry Paper 2** – Chemistry Topics 6-10

Topic	Higher Revision Guide Pages	Foundation Revision Guide Pages	(i)	<u></u>	
C6 – The Rate and Extent of Chemical Change	142-149	138-145			
C7 – Organic Chemistry	150-152	146-149			
C8 – Chemical Analysis	153-156	150-154			
C9 – Chemistry of the Atmosphere	157-160	155-158			
C10 – Using Resources	161-166	159-166			

# **Physics Paper 2** – Physics Topics 5-7

Topic	Higher Revision Guide Pages	Foundation Revision Guide Pages	(:)	··	
P5 - Forces	201-217	203-218			
P6 - Waves	218-226	219-228			
P7 – Magnetism and Electromagnetism	227-231	229-231			

# Step 2 – making revision notes

- 1. Read the information on the page
- 2. Decide which are the key parts
- 3. Make your notes SIMPLE and EASY TO FOLLOW
- 4. ONLY use a highlighter/different pens when you have finished!

I read the page and then grouped all the info about solids together, then liquids, then gases Topic P3 - Particle Model of Matter

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### The Particle Model and Motion in Gases

Everything is made up of small particles. The particle model describes how these particles behave.

#### There are Three States of Matter

- 1) The three states of matter are solid (e.g. ice), liquid (e.g. water) and gas (e.g. water vapour).
- 2) The particle model explains the differences between the states of matter:
  - The particles of a certain material are always the same, no matter what state it is in.
  - · But the particles have different amounts of energy in different states.
  - And the forces between particles are different in each state.
  - This means that the particles are <u>arranged</u> (laid out) <u>differently</u> in different states.



- ) Particles are held close together by strong forces in a regular, fixed pattern.
- 2) The particles don't have much energy.
- 3) So they can only vibrate (jiggle about) around a fixed position.



- 1) The particles are held <u>close together</u> in an <u>irregular pattern</u>.
- 2) The particles have more energy than the particles in a solid.
- 3) They can move past each other in random directions at low speeds.



- 1) The particles aren't held close together. There are no forces between them.
- 2) The particles have more energy than in liquids and solids.
- 3) The particles constantly move around in random directions at a range of speeds.

### Gas Particles Bump into Things and Create Pressure

- 1) Particles in a gas are free to move around.
- 2) They collide with (bump into) each other and the sides of the container they're in.
- 3) When they hit something, they apply a force to it. Pressure is the force applied over a given area.

#### Increasing the Temperature of a Gas Increases its Pressure

- The temperature of a gas depends on the average energy in the kinetic energy stores of the gas particles.
- 2) The hotter the gas, the higher the average energy.
- 3) If particles have more energy in their kinetic stores, they move faster.
- So the hotter the gas, the faster the particles move on average.
- 5) Faster particles hit the sides of the container more often. This increases the force on the container.
- 6) So increasing the temperature of a gas increases its pressure.
- This only works if the space the gas takes up (the volume) doesn't change.

#### Don't let the pressure of exams get to you...

Get your head around the particle model before moving on to the rest of the topic.

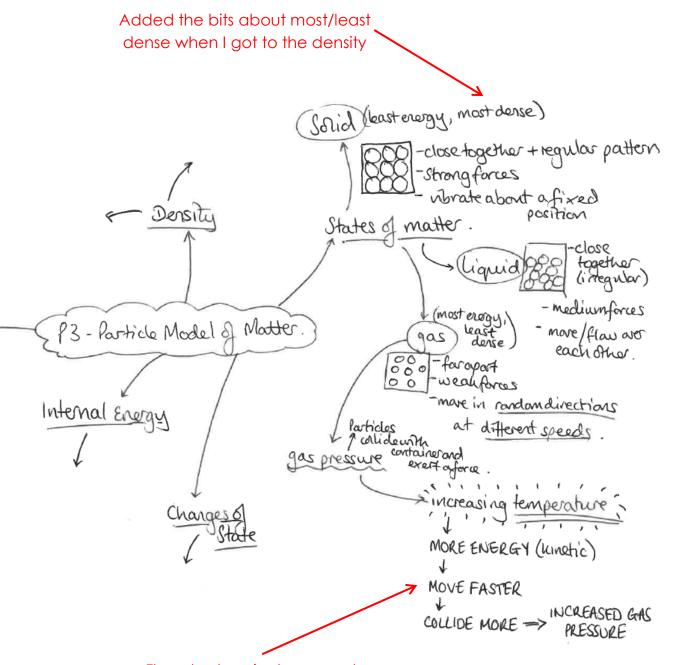
Q1 Explain why decreasing the temperature of a gas in a fixed container decreases its pressure.

Topic P3 — Particle Model of Matter

This can be shortened to a flowchart/list of steps rather than a paragraph

# ALL IN ONE PEN!! If you want to highlight then do so when the mind map is finished and you are recapping your notes.

Space to add the other pages for the P3 topic so it is all together.



Flowchart easier to remember than a big paragraph

# Step 3 - test yourself

 Each page of the revision guide has some questions to ask yourself at the end of each page (do these on the back of the mind map)

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Q1 Explain why decreasing the temperature of a gas in a fixed container decreases its pressure.

[3 marks]

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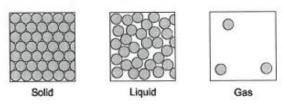
Remember — density is all about how close together the particles in a substance are. Nice and simple really.

Q1 A cube has a volume of 0.05 m<sup>3</sup>. It has a density of 40 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. Calculate its mass.

[3 marks]

- Use past paper questions (there are LOADS in T5 for you to use use the Level 2 questions)
  - attempt using just your own knowledge with a black pen and use a timer
     mark = 1 min)
  - 2. now look at your notes, add anything with a red pen
  - finally, using the mark scheme mark your answers and add any missing marks onto your question, using a green pen

The diagram shows the arrangement of particles in a solid, a liquid and a gas.



Use the diagram above and your own knowledge to compare solids, liquids and gases in terms of their particles.

You should include information about the arrangement, movement and energy of the particles.

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→ high energy.  * mention the word particles!  => max 4 marks.	

# **Final GCSE Examination Preparation**

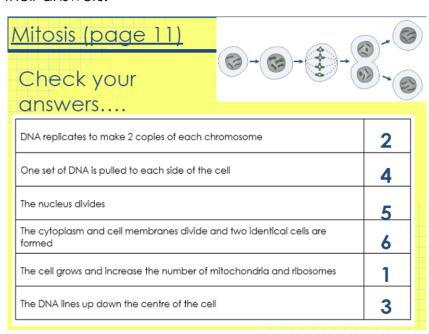
Finally, as your child approaches their final GCSE exams we will provide them with revision booklets. These will help your child to revise the key content, and give them an opportunity to test themselves using past paper questions.

1. **Test the content** – have a go at the questions in the booklets using student's own knowledge and using the revision guide to help.

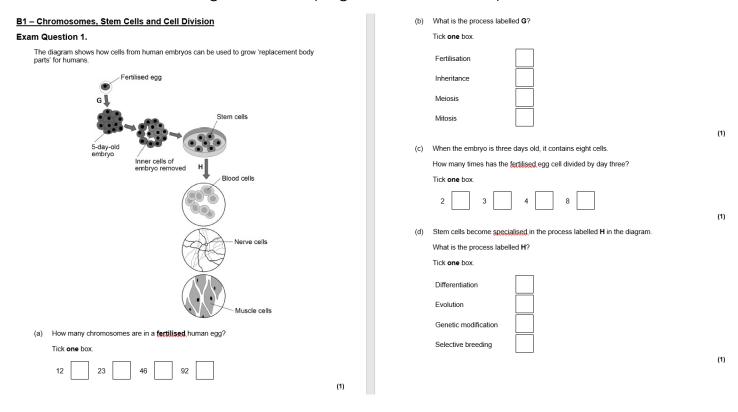
B2 – Food Tests – Revision Guide Page 28
Food Tests Required Practical
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1. Why do we mix the crushed food with water and then filter the mixture?
2. What is the chemical test for sugars?
3. What is the chemical used to test for starch?
4. How do we test for fats?
5. What is the chemical used to test for proteins?
6. What would you see it sugar was present?
7. What would you see if starch is present?
8. What would you see if fat is present?
9. What would you see if protein is present?

Food Molecule	Chemical Test	If it is present	If it is absent
Sugar			
Starch			
Protein			

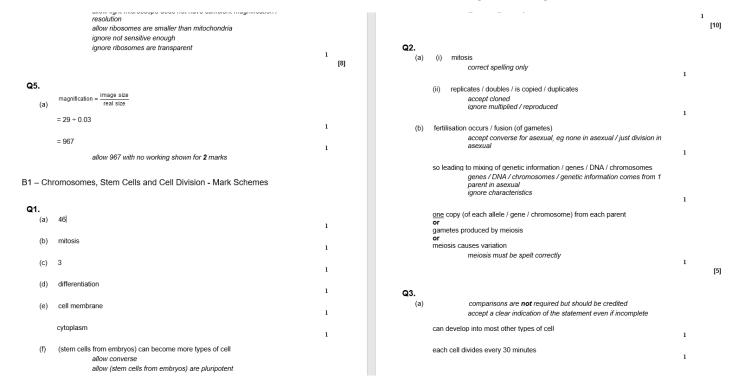
2. Mark your answers – students will be sent slides that go through each section and allow them to self-assess their answers.



**3. Practise exam questions** – having a go at practise exam questions will allow students to test their understanding and developing their exam technique.



**4.** Mark schemes – each exam question booklet has an accompanying booklet with the mark schemes so all students can then self-assess as they go through.



Note: all booklets have a contents page that tells the students the corresponding pages for the booklet, revision guide, exam questions and mark schemes.