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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 10 Science Exams June 2017 - Improvement

Further to my previous communication sent at the beginning of June 2017, please find below a list of suggested resources to help your son/daughter make the improvements highlighted from their Science exam results.

<http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-gateway-science-suite-combined-science-a-j250-from-2016/> - The following link will take you to the specification where you can see everything needed to be learned.

<https://www.kerboodle.com/users/login> - all students in year 10 have free access to this. This is an online platform we use to teach our lessons from and gives a very comprehensive overview of the Combined Science course.

Usernames and passwords have been reset and are the same until a student changes this. If a student was called Steven Miller, his **username** and **password** would be **smiller**. The website also needs our institution code which is **eu5**.

<https://www.memrise.com> - this is an emerging app for recall. It's under development at the moment but will help will recall through multiple choice quizzes based on the quizzes.

<https://www.my-gcsescience.com/faq/> - They will be developing an OCR part of this website soon, with the potential release date during the 17/18 academic year.

<http://www.docbrown.info/page17/2016-0-index.htm> - This is essentially an online revision guide. The website has a lot of content for all exam boards but it does show OCR Combined Science 9 – 1 and breaks down the spec points into digestible parts.

https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/Student/whoAreYou.book_SRHR45 - A revision guide from the publisher CGP

https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/Student/book_SRHQA41.book_SRHQ41 - A workbook based on the revision guide above from CGP.



https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/Student/book_SRHQA41 - The answers to the workbook from CGP.
The following are endorsed by the exam board OCR.

<http://www.collins.co.uk/product/9780008175009/GCSE+Science+9-1+-+OCR+Gateway+GCSE+Chemistry+for+Combined+Science+9-1+Student+Book>

<http://www.collins.co.uk/product/9780008174996/GCSE+Science+9-1+-+OCR+Gateway+GCSE+Biology+for+Combined+Science+9-1+Student+Book>

<http://www.collins.co.uk/product/9780008175016/GCSE+Science+9-1+-+OCR+Gateway+GCSE+Physics+for+Combined+Science+9-1+Student+Book>

<https://www.oxford-royale.co.uk/articles/revision-study-skills-tips-science-a-level-students.html> - This has some very good tips on how to revise.

Please note this is not an exhaustive list of the resources available. As the course evolves, more and more resources will become available which we will endeavour to keep you updated with.

The link below takes you to our website where you can access the papers, mark schemes and data sheets your son/daughter sat for their Science exams. These can be used to explore the level of questioning again. In addition to this, I have also included learning objective statements (LOs) for the content that was examined on. These can act as a checklist for students to assess their knowledge against.

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It would greatly help your son/daughter's achievement in year 11 if work towards these improvements continues over the summer break in preparation for September 2017 and the start of year 11.

Thanks for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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