

# St Crispin's School

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Dear Parent/Carer

St Crispin's Science department is pleased to be able to offer discounted prices on the following revision guides and flashcards:

**Collins Revision Guide & Work Book for KS3 £5.10**

**Collins revision flash cards – KS3 £4.10**

We recommend these revision guides as they combine both revision materials, practice questions and mark schemes. The revision guide contains all the relevant Biology, Chemistry and Physics content that students require for their exam.

This year, we have updated how and when we will assess students. Towards the end of each half term, students will take a multiple-choice assessment. To help students develop their knowledge, we have based our approach on scientific research in learning. Whilst multiple choice assessments may seem “easy” and different from the final exam, they are highly effective at developing confidence, knowledge and preparing for exams. Each assessment will include a selection of topics from previous learning, in addition to more current content. We have carefully mapped out this pathway so students will revise each piece of content 2-3 times over the course of the year and this will help them develop their long-term memory.

To help students prepare for these assessments, we have updated our [Exam bank website](#). Students can select the relevant term and use the drop-down menus to access checklists, mind-maps and practice quizzes for the topics being assessed that term. **The first assessment will take place in the week beginning of the 18<sup>th</sup> October during lessons.**

In addition, students will also complete a written activity in class each half term and receive teacher feedback. This will help develop student's ability to tackle more demanding questions, which will also deepen and widen their subject knowledge beyond the curriculum.

The revision guides and/or flash cards are a great resource to use as a first stage in intervention when students are not on track to meet their target grade as they can be used independently and regularly at home. In addition, they will help students to fully prepare for half term tests and final exams to help raise their grades.

We also recommend the use of Seneca Learning – a FREE website that helps structure student's revision and an excellent resource to reinforce class learning.

Finally, we are also delighted to have secured our cheapest subscription to Tassomai. Many of our students benefit from the daily practice of Tassomai and are motivated by the small daily goals. In line with our assessment approach, Tassomai analyses performance and tailors its revision program to the individual so they can fill any gaps in their knowledge. Each subscription lasts for one academic year only. All previous progress is saved.

**1 year subscription to Tassomai £4.60**

**Tassomai log ins can be issued very quickly, please email Dr Rose with your child's name and we can share the access details straight away.**

Please place your order and make your payment by using the online payments system– [please click here](#) by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021**. **Please note that these resources will arrive in school at different times and be issued to your son/daughter in class. Please remind you son/daughter to check their emails for the Tassomai login if you subscribe.**

Yours faithfully,

Dr Daniel Rose  
**Head of Science**



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