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19th October 2009

To All Parents/Carers of Year 9 Science Students

Dear Parent/Carer

re: GCSE Science Module Examinations and Revision Guides

We would like to remind you that students will be sitting the first of six GCSE Science modules on **Thursday 19th November**. This will lead to a GCSE being awarded at the end of year 10.

The full set of Module examinations count as 75% of the final GCSE grade and we therefore would like to encourage all students to revise thoroughly for these and all subsequent modules. All students have been given strategies for active revision and research shows that merely reading notes is not the most effective way to prepare for an examination. In order to help the students to prepare properly for these examinations we would, therefore, strongly recommend that they purchase a revision guide available from the school at a reduced cost of £2.75.

If your son/daughter has already decided to select Triple Science as an option subject, it would be advantageous if they purchased the Triple Science Revision guides at a cost of £8.25. This will provide support throughout the Biology, Chemistry and Physics GCSEs. Please return completed slips, with payment, to the Science Department, as soon as possible.

These revision guides are cheaper than those available in bookshops and are specific to the examinations that students are sitting. Many staff encourage students to bring their own revision guides to lessons so that they can be annotated and used as an inherent part of the learning of Science. May I also remind you that the students will need a **calculator and a BLACK pen** for these examinations.

We hope that all our year 9 students achieve their full potential in these examinations and wish them every success. If we can offer any further assistance please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Yours faithfully

Mrs T Hinson
Curriculum Area Leader – Science

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**PLEASE RETURN TO SANDY UPPER SCHOOL
Science Department**

Name: Form:

I would like to order a Core Science revision guide for the above student and enclose £2.75 (cheques payable to Sandy Upper School)

OR

I would like to order Triple Science revision guides for the above student and enclose £8.25 (cheques payable to Sandy Upper School)

Signed: Date: