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04th November 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Winter Assessment Week: Monday 30 November to Friday 4 December 2026

Our Key Stage 4 (Years 11 and 12) and Key Stage 5 (Years 13 and 14) students will sit their winter assessments during the week beginning **Monday 30 November**. These assessments give students valuable experience of formal exam conditions and help them and their teachers to see how they are progressing and what to focus on next.

Timetable. Every student is being given a printed copy of their assessment timetable, and you will find a digital copy attached so that you so that you can see exactly when and where your child is expected to be in school.

Attendance. The normal timetable for Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 will be collapsed for the week. **Students will only attend school for their scheduled assessments, with the exception of Year 11 (see below).** Assessments take place in up to three sessions each day, which start at the following times:

Session	Start time
Session 1	9.00am
Session 2	11.00am
Session 3	1.30pm

Where to go. Assessments will take place in the following locations:

Year group	Assessment location
Year 11	Sports Hall
Year 12	Assembly Hall
Year 13	Drama Suite (Downstairs)
Year 14	Drama Suite (Downstairs)

Year 11 attendance. All Year 11 students are expected to attend school on Tuesday and Thursday, as class sessions will be running in line with the assessment timetable. Class sessions will be held with their normal class teacher, in their classroom.

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Study Centre. The Study Centre will be open all week for Key Stage 5 students to use.

Revision. Revision checklists will be shared with students by their class teacher to help them prepare for each assessment.

How you can help. Please encourage your child to check their timetable carefully, to arrive in good time for each assessment with the equipment they need, and to get plenty of rest and a good meal beforehand. If your child is unable to attend an assessment because of illness, please contact the school office as early as possible on the day.

We appreciate your support in helping your child to approach the week calmly and to do their very best. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Young
Vice Principal
Lisneal College

Principal: Mrs R Mullan BA (Hons) PQHNI
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Winter Assessment 2026 Overview

Monday 30 November to Friday 4 December 2026



KS3 Years 8, 9 and 10

KS3 assessment sessions will be held during the following times:

Session 1 **9am – 10.45am**

Session 2 **11am – 12.30pm**

Session 3 **1.30pm – 3pm**

Lunch will be 1 hour, between 12.30pm and 1.30pm.

KS3 assessments will be held in form classrooms.

KS3 will be off for 'at home study' days on Monday 16th November, Tuesday 1st December and Thursday 3rd December.

KS4 Years 11 and 12

KS4 timetable will be collapsed to facilitate assessment week.

KS4 students will only attend school for their scheduled assessment.

Year 11 exams will take place in the Sports Hall.

Year 12 exams will take place in the Assembly Hall.

KS5 Years 13 and 14

KS5 timetable will be collapsed to facilitate assessment week.

KS5 students will only attend school for their scheduled assessment.

Year 13 & 14 exams will take place in the Drama Suite (Downstairs).

The Study Centre will be open all week for students to use.

Key Stage 4 | Year 11

Exams in Sports Hall | At Home Study Days Monday-Wednesday-Friday

KS4

Year 11 Sports Hall	Tuesday 1st December 2026	Thursday 3rd December 2026	Friday 4th December 2026
Session 1 9.00am	**Block A** **EXAM** **DA Science Chemistry** (Mrs Kane) **Health & Social Care** (Miss Downey) **Geography** (Miss Henderson) **CLASS** **Childcare** (Mrs Smyth) **Engineering** (Miss Parkhill) **Food Prep** (Miss Brisbane) **BTEC IT** (Mr Martin) **Carpentry** (Mr Millar) **BTEC Science** (Mrs McBride)	**Block C** **EXAM** **RE** (Miss Harper) **Music** (Mr Coyle-In music department) **SA Science** (Mrs Milne) **DA Science Biology** (Miss McIntosh) **BTEC Sport** (Mr Millar) **CLASS** **Hospitality** (Miss McCollum) **Childcare** (Mrs Smyth) **Plumbing** (Mr Millar/Miss Mullan) **BTEC IT** (Mrs Gibbons) **OCN IT** (Miss Roberts)	**EXAM** **Art** (Mrs Douglas-full day in art classroom)
Session 2 11.00am	**English**	**Block D** **EXAM** **Single Award Science** (Mrs Perry) **Business & Communication Systems** (Mr McDowell-in MA3) **Agriculture** (Mrs Bradley) **Technology & Design** (Miss Parkhill) **CLASS** **Food Prep** (Miss Watson/Mrs Smyth) **Drama** (Mrs McCarrison) **King's Trust** (Miss Glenn/Miss Hughes) **Motor Vehicles** (Mr Walker) **BTEC IT** (Mr Taylor) **Carpentry** (Miss Mullan) **Plumbing** (Mrs McCrudden)	
Session 3 1.30pm	**Block B** **EXAM** **Digital Technology** (Mr Taylor) **Health & Social Care** (Miss Bradley) **Sociology** (Mrs Shaw) **History** (Miss Bell) **SA Science** (Mrs Hay) **Double Award Science Biology** (Mrs McBride) **CLASS** **BTEC IT** (Miss Roberts) **Engineering** (Miss Conn) **Nail Art** (Mrs McMorris) **Carpentry** (Miss Mullan) **King's Trust** (Mrs Dixon/Miss Duncan/Mrs Deery) **BTEC Business Studies** (Miss Donnelly)	**Block E** **EXAM** **Child Development** (Miss Tracey) **Geography** (Miss Mitchell) **Business Studies** (Miss Donnelly) **SA Science** (Mr Louden) **DA Science Chemistry** (Dr Smyth) **History** (Mr Radcliffe) **CLASS** **BTEC Business Studies** (Mrs Bradley) **BTEC Science** (Miss McIntosh) **Technology & Innovation** (Miss Roberts) **Food Prep** (Miss McCollum) **BTEC IT** (Mr McDowell) **Motor Vehicles** (Mr Connor) **Plumbing** (Miss Parkhill)	

Key Stage 4 | Year 12

Exams in the Assembly Hall | Students only attend school for their scheduled assessment

KS4

Year 12 Assembly Hall	Monday 30th November 2026	Tuesday 1st December 2026	Wednesday 2nd December 2026	Thursday 3rd December 2026	Friday 4th December 2026
Session 1 9.00am	**DA Science-Physics**	**Art (in department)** **Motor Vehicle**	**OS with OS Teacher**	**Languages (Languages Classroom)** **Child Development**	**BTEC IT (In assembly hall)**
Session 2 11.00am	**Geography**	**Art (in department)** **BTEC Sport**	**Health & Social Care (in classrooms)**	**RE** **DA Science-Chemistry**	–
Session 3 1.30pm	**BTEC IT (ICT Classrooms)**	**Art (in department)** **Agriculture**	–	**History**	–

Key Stage 5

Years 13 and 14 | Students only attend school for their scheduled assessment

KS5

Year 13 Drama Suite (Downstairs)	Monday 30th November 2026	Tuesday 1st December 2026	Wednesday 2nd December 2026	Thursday 3rd December 2026	Friday 4th December 2026
Session 1 9.00am	**SA H&SC AS3 (2hrs)**	**Art (in department)** **CTEC Business (2hrs)**	**Sociology (1hr15mins)**	**Technology & Design (1hr 30mins)**	**OCR ICT DEADLINE** Students can come to school to use ICT facilities throughout the week
Session 2 11.00am	**Maths AS1 (1hr)**	**L&HS Unit 3 Chemistry (1hr)** **Art (in department)**	**CTEC Sport**	**DA L&HS Unit 5 Physics (1hr)**	
Session 3 1.30pm	**L&HS Unit 2 Biology (1hr)**	**Politics (1hr 30mins)** **Art (in department)**	**Maths AS2 (1hr)**	–	

Year 14 Drama Suite (Downstairs)	Monday 30th November 2026	Tuesday 1st December 2026	Wednesday 2nd December 2026	Thursday 3rd December 2026	Friday 4th December 2026
Session 1 9.00am	**RE (2hrs)**	**Art (in department)**	**L&HS Unit 3 Medical Physics (1hr)**	**DA L&HS Unit 4 Light & Sound (1hr)**	**OCR ICT DEADLINE** Students can come to school to use ICT facilities throughout the week
Session 2 11.00am	**Environmental Technology (1hr 30mins)**	**Art (in department)** **DA H&SC (1HR 30mins)**	**CTEC Business (1hr 30mins)**	–	
Session 3 1.30pm	**L&HS Unit 2 Chemistry (1hr)**	**CTEC Sport (1hr)** **Art (in department)**	–	–	

Study Centre **The Study Centre will be open all week for students to use.**