



Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) Timeline 2025-2026

Some GCSE subjects have assessments throughout the course, where students’ performance in these assessments contribute to their final GCSE grade.

It is important that students stay on top of deadlines for these subjects and work hard to ensure they meet their full potential in these assessments.

The timeline and further details for each subject with NEA can be found below.

Subject:	Exam Board:	Year 10 Deadlines	Year 11 Deadlines	Important Information
Art & Design: 3D Art	OCR	NEA ‘Hierarchy’ 60% of the GCSE mark and grade Starts in Term 5 of Year 10	Final Deadline – December of Year 11 A body of work, presented in an A3 sketchbook, starting with the theme of ‘Hierarchy’ . Students must refine and hone ideas to a confident and insightful conclusion by December of Y11 - this will involve the designing and modelling of clay forms (approx 3), which must be specific, ambitious and skilful	Attendance at P6 sessions is essential, as is independent work outside of lessons, ensuring that the NEA submission is as personal and insightful as possible
Art & Design: Fine Art	OCR	NEA ‘Interwoven’ 60% of the GCSE mark and grade Starts in Term 5 of Year 10	Final Deadline – December of Year 11 A body of work, presented in an A3 sketchbook, starting with the theme of ‘Interwoven’ . Students must refine and hone	Attendance at P6 sessions is essential, as is independent work outside of lessons, ensuring that the NEA submission is

			ideas to a confident and insightful conclusion by December of Y11 - this will involve composing and painting large-scale images (approx 3), which must be specific, ambitious and skilful	as personal and insightful as possible
Art & Design: Photography	OCR	NEA ' Opposites ' 60% of the GCSE mark and grade Starts in Term 5 of Year 10	Final Deadline – December of Year 11 A body of work, presented in a PowerPoint, starting with the theme of ' <i>Opposites</i> '. Students must refine and hone ideas to a confident and insightful conclusion by December of Y11 - this will involve the taking, editing and refining of concluding photographs, which must be specific, ambitious and skilful	Attendance at P6 sessions is essential, as is independent work outside of lessons, ensuring that the NEA submission is as personal and insightful as possible
Drama	OCR	Component 1: Devising Drama (30%). Alongside their practical Devised piece, students will document their process in a Portfolio comprising of Section 1: Initial Response, Section 2: Rehearsal Journey,	In Year 11, the second and final draft will be submitted in Term 1.	Students must follow the guidance provided. Help sessions are available after school on a Thursday in 158.

		and Section 3: Performance Evaluation. In Year 10, students will complete a first draft of each Section.		
Film	Eduqas	Film NEA is worth 30% of the overall grade. Students will either produce their own 2.30min sequence from a genre film or write a 800 word screen play. Students will complete a critical evaluation of their product. NEA will start in Term 6, with first draft being due at end of the term.	In Y11, second draft will be due at end of Term 2 and final draft at the end of Term 3.	Students need to use their phones to complete the filming and editing of the NEA
Food	Eduqas		NEA 1: September to November (15%). NEA 2: November to March (35%)	
Health and Social Care	BTEC Pearson (Edexcel)	Component 1 NEA (worth 30%) will start in October and the final deadline is February half term	Component 2 NEA (worth 30%) will start at Easter of Year 10 and the final deadline is October half term	P6 sessions to complete NEA would be useful
IT	OCR Cambridge National	Component 1 NEA (worth 30%) will start in November of Year 10, with final deadline 2 nd April. Term 3 – 2 nd April 2026	Component 2 NEA (worth 30%) will start in November of Year 11, with final deadline 2 nd April.	P6 sessions to complete NEA would be useful

Media	AQA	Media NEA is worth 30% of the overall grade. Students selected a product to make in Y10 Term 6 and have completed a first draft which was due at the end of Year 10.	NEA draft 2 is due at end of Term1 Y11. NEA final draft is due at the end of Term 3.	Students must follow the product's criteria and use their own original images. The top marks are attained by students creating a product that looks as professional as possible.
Music	Eduquas	Mock NEA – composition and performance - May	Start of December and End of May	
GCSE PE	AQA	PE NEA is worth 40% of final grade. There are two parts – practical NEA and performance NEA. Practical Performance – on-going throughout year 10, with students undergoing assessment in a range of sports – through core PE, GCSE PE and extra curricular programmes.	Practical Performance (40%) - Final deadline – 15 th December Where students participate in activities requiring specialist facilities/resources, such as swimming, specific information and deadlines will be shared by students' PE teacher Written NEA - begins in term 2 of year 11 with a deadline in term 3	