How You Can Help Your Child Revise Effectively in GCSE Design & Technology

For some of our students, formal exams have been something they have not completed regularly or at all. We are aware that all students have had significant disruption over the last two years. In order to support you to support them effectively at home, we would like to give you the following information:

The Topics your child will be tested on are: Section A – Core Technical principles Multiple choice questions - there are 10 questions, covering any topic from Core Materials 1.1 - 1.1.6 Organising the workplace ٠ **Composite materials** • ٠ Maths – volume Mechanical devices – levers • • Materials and their working properties - fibres and fabrics, thermoforming polymers, Sources of Renewable Energy ٠ Materials and their working properties - timber •

- Materials and their working properties packaging
- A systems approach input, process, output

Section B - Specialist Technical Principles

- Maths area
- Properties of materials
- Commercial processes stock form
- Maths percentages
- Surface treatment / finishes
- Environmental Impact analysis and evaluation fossil fuels

Section C - Designing and Making Principles

- Analysis and evaluation user needs
- Innovation
- Anthropometrics
- Ergonomics
- Materials management Nesting / tessellation
- Safety tools and equipment
- Communication of designs orthographic projection
- Maths calculation
- Design fixation
- Tolerance
- Quality control
- Research work of others
- Design development focus group

MATHS Multiplication, Percentages, Area

Week commencing	Focus
Week 1 - 09/12/2024	• Page 20, 21 and 23
	Paper, Board and Timber
	Metals, Alloys and Polymers
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	Textiles and Manufactured Boards
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	Drawing Techniques
	Page 150 Lising Materials Efficiently
	Using Materials Efficiently
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	Working safely

Recommended revision sites/resources:

- Theory file from class
- GCSE BBC Bitesize AQA GCSE D&T Core Technical Principles : <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkcpkmn</u>
- DT Product Design
- <u>Textiles</u>

Hints and Tips:

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- Use a range of techniques
- Make mind maps
- Make flashcards
- Carryout independent research
- Read through work and make notes
- Read through text and write down as much as you can remember
- Start revising early!!!