



## Ysgol Rhiwabon

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

### Re: External GCSE Science Double Award Practical Examinations

During the Spring Term of Year 11, all students entered for the WJEC Science Double Award are required to complete two GCSE Science practical examinations. Students studying Separate Sciences must also complete a third practical examination. These assessments contribute **10% of the final GCSE grade** and must be completed in order for students to receive their final award.

The dates and details of the practical examinations are outlined below:

Date	Class	Practical Examination
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 9 am (All Students)</b>	Set 1	Chemistry
	Set 2	Chemistry
	Set 3	Physics
	Set 4	Physics
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 9 am (All Students)</b>	Set 1	Physics
	Set 2	Physics
	Set 3	Chemistry
	Set 4	Chemistry
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 9 am start (Separate Science Students Only)</b>	Separate Science Students	Biology

To support students in preparing for these assessments, the following has been provided during lessons leading up to the examination dates:

- Revision of the topics underpinning the practical investigations
- Revision of key scientific investigation skills, including:
- Identifying variables
- Understanding key terminology
- Constructing results tables
- Presenting data using line graphs
- Interpreting data effectively

It is essential that your child thoroughly revises the material in their knowledge organiser to maximise their performance. For some students who may be at risk of not achieving their Target End Grade (TEG), a strong performance in the practical examinations may be crucial in securing their final grade.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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