

Online Learning – FAQs

Please see below frequently asked questions by parents/carers/guardians regarding online learning

Contact: How do I email staff about work or access?

- Staff email are as follows: 'first initial', 'surname', '@oswba.co.uk' e.g.: tsherlock@oswba.co.uk
- Students can also search for staff by logging into their school emails through Office 365: <https://www.office.com/> (this will be student's school email address and password)
- In the event of difficulties accessing particular classwork or log in details please email the class teacher or staff member

ClassCharts: How can I check what work is being set?

- Student will be directed to particular assignments set by subject staff for each lesson or week.
- This information will be emailed to students and uploaded into 'Homework' on ClassCharts
- Log into with your student code: <https://www.classcharts.com/account/login/share> (**ClassCharts codes have been given to students as a sticker in their passport**).

ClassCharts: How is work set for students?

- Staff set students particular assignments based on classwork and upload instructions to ClassCharts in advance of the upcoming week.
- Staff are also in email contact with students for further instructions and clarification
- Additional links, attachments and deadlines are visible on the assignment tab in ClassCharts

Year 11: What support is there for Year 11 students?

- The Ormiston SWB webpage has a '[Year 11 Revision Page](#)' specially for Year 11 support
- This page contains resources, web links and revision materials for every subject



General Revision Tips

Year 11 Revision

Our revision guides are aimed at helping Year 11 students prepare thoroughly for their forthcoming exams. In this section you can find revision guides organised by subject.

How to revise

To do your very best in your GCSEs you need to spend time doing some independent work. The amount of time you spend revising and the way you use that time can make an enormous difference to how well you will do in your GCSEs. Follow these tips:

- 1. Organise yourself**
Make yourself a revision timetable.
First look at a calendar and decide which days you will be able to fit in some revision (be ambitious but realistic about what you can achieve).
Make yourself a blank timetable with all your study days on it.
Then fill in your blank timetable with all the topics you need to study.
Try and stick to your timetable.
Try this online revision timetable planner <https://getrevising.co.uk/planner>.
- 2. Ensure you have the content you need to learn.**
If you click on each subject area you will find guidance about how to go about revising each of your GCSE subjects and details about where to find the content you need to revise.
- 3. Think about how you will need to use the content you learn to answer GCSE questions.**
Make sure you are confident that you could answer GCSE style questions using the content you have learned.
- 4. Use effective study methods.**
Testing yourself is THE most effective way to embed your learning in long term memory while just reading or highlighting notes is not a good way to revise for your exams.
Below are examples of the most effective study methods. It has been created by experts in the science of memory. To find out more about effective revision techniques go to

Online Learning Platforms

Maths:

- **MathsWatch** <https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/>. Students can log in using the start of their school email and using the password Maths128. Work will be set with deadlines under the 'My Work' tab from staff.
- **MyMaths**: <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>. Students can log in using the school username 'swbacademy' and the password 'triangle'. Students then view assignments by logging into 'My Portal log in' with the username and password provided by their subject teacher.

English:

- **ClassCharts**: <https://app.senecalearning.com/login>. Year 7-9 students will receive work daily set by their classroom teachers via ClassCharts.
- **OneNote**: [onenote:https://ormistonswbacademy-my.sharepoint.com/personal/hpearsall_oswba_co_uk/Documents/Class%20Notebooks/English%20Literature%20Revision%20Quizzes](https://ormistonswbacademy-my.sharepoint.com/personal/hpearsall_oswba_co_uk/Documents/Class%20Notebooks/English%20Literature%20Revision%20Quizzes). Year 10 and 11 students have been set Literature revision quizzes

Humanities:

- **Seneca Learning**: <https://app.senecalearning.com/login>. Students are set weekly assignments through their Seneca 'Class' which are completed in the 'assignments' tab (email teachers for class codes for students)
- **Geography OneNote**: https://ormistonswbacademy-my.sharepoint.com/:f/g/personal/tsherlock_oswba_co_uk/Enorkkl1MqBDor2nKGJePosBzftwbfADMYZGAlf6XCq0pg. GCSE students are able to view all Geography resources and content

Science:

- **Seneca Learning**: <https://app.senecalearning.com/login>. Students are set weekly assignments through their Seneca 'Class' which are completed in the 'assignments' tab (email teachers for class codes for students)
- **OneNote**: [onenote:https://ormistonswbacademy-my.sharepoint.com/personal/hbunger_oswba_co_uk/Documents/Class%20Notebooks/Year%20%20Science](https://ormistonswbacademy-my.sharepoint.com/personal/hbunger_oswba_co_uk/Documents/Class%20Notebooks/Year%20%20Science)

MFL:

- **Linguascope**: <https://www.linguascope.com/>. Students use username 'swba', password 'langs4life'.
- **Seneca Learning**: <https://app.senecalearning.com/login>. Students are set weekly assignments through their Seneca 'Class' which are completed in the 'assignments' tab (email teachers for class codes for students)

BTEC: Health & Social, Business, Media, IT

- **OneNote**: Students in these subjects regularly use OneNote in lesson and have had their subject content shared with them. If there are any issues with accessibility then students should email subject teachers.

Seneca Learning – A Quick Guide

As many departments are using Seneca Learning as an online learning tool, please use this guide.

Step 1: Logging in to Seneca Learning

- Google 'Seneca Learning': <https://app.senecalearning.com/login>
- Students log in using their school email address and chosen password e.g.: 18____@oswba.co.uk



If students have forgotten passwords:

- Click 'Forgotten your password?'
- Type in school email account to send a 'reset code' to student email
- Log in to 'Office 365' to view student email and reset password using code from Seneca

Step 2: Viewing assignments and using Seneca Learning

- On the student platform home page click on the 'Classes & Assignments' button (top-left)
- Here you should see 'classes' which your student has been placed in e.g.: 8x1 Mr Sherlock
- Clicking into the class will allow you to see the course and content e.g.: KS3 Geography/GCSE Edexcel A Geography
- Along the edge you will see the different 'sections' or 'topics' of each course that can be completed. Click on the topic you want to learn
- The small 'circles' indicate how much of this topic has been completed



If your student is not associated with any classes then either:

- Contact subject teacher by email and ask for the 'class code'
- Search for a 'course' or 'subject' in the courses search bar e.g.: KS3 Geography

Step 3: Completing assignments

- Students may be set 'assignments' or homework projects by class teachers, which will appear in their 'assignments' tab.
- Assignments are easy to follow and complete, with deadlines and 'live scores' of % marks.



Support or additional information:

- Seneca Learning provides lots of online support for both students and parents, including guidance and help sheets.
- Seneca Learning have also provided an 'online distance learning' guide through this link: <https://www.senecalearning.com/blog/senecas-free-distance-learning-home-study-programme/>