

## Queen Elizabeth Studio School

### Controlled Assessments

All subjects now fall into three categories.

- A subject has an exam at the end of Year 11 and controlled assessments during KS4 (these may be taken in Year 10 or 11). Controlled assessments can only be moderated at the end of Year 11 even though they can be taken anytime during KS4.
- There are no controlled assessments and the subject is exam only such as Maths and Philosophy.
- A subject is 100% teacher assessed (Art)

The number of subjects which have controlled assessments has fallen considerably this year.

For controlled assessments pupils will need to research, analyse and write up a particular task set by their teacher. There are three levels of controlled assessments and it is very important everyone understand the significance of them.

**Low Level:** Under **limited supervision** the requirements are clearly specified by the awarding body and work may be completed without direct supervision. Research or data collection may take place outside of the classroom.

**Medium Level:** Under **informal supervision**, the use of resources is not tightly prescribed and group work is normally permitted provided that any assessable outcomes can be attributed to individual candidates. Candidates **do not** need to be under direct supervision at all times. However, the centre **must** ensure that:

- all candidates participate in the assessment;
- plagiarism does not take place;
- sources used by a candidate are clearly recorded;
- each candidate's preparation for the final production of the work is his/her own.

**High Level:** Under **formal supervision** the candidate **must** be under direct supervision at all times. The use of resources by the candidate and his/her interaction with others will be directed by the awarding body; **in particular access to e-mail, the internet and mobile phones must not be permitted**. Candidates may be required, as an example, to produce an extended piece of work or submit their responses to a series of structured questions under controlled conditions.

Throughout the Key stage the pupils will be taking controlled assessments as the next page shows

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Level of controlled assessment</b>	<b>Timing of controlled assessment</b>	<b>Percentage of GCSE</b>
Art	Low High	Ongoing through the two years May Year 11	60% 40%
Computing	High	Nov to Feb Year 11	20%
Conservation and Environment (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	100%
Dance	High	May Year 11	60%
Design Technology	Medium	June Year 10 to May Year 11	50%
Drama	High	Devised Perf Dec Year 11 Scripted Perf March to May Year 11	40% 20%
Engineering (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	75%
Fashion and Textiles (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	60%
Food and Nutrition	High	Investigation June Year 10 Preparation Feb to March Year 11	15% 35%
French	High	Speaking practice Oct Year 11 Speaking exam May Year 11	25%
German	High	Speaking practice Oct Year 11 Speaking exam May Year 11	25%
Health and Social Care (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing through the two years	60%
iMedia (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing through the two years	75%

Materials Technology (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	60%
BTEC Music (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	75%
Music	Medium	Composing May Yr 10 to Oct Yr 11 Composing Oct Yr 11 to Feb Yr 11 Performing March Year 11	15% 15% 30%
PE	Medium	May Year 10 & March Year 11	40%
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Level of controlled assessment</b>	<b>Timing of controlled assessment</b>	<b>Percentage of GCSE</b>
Performing Arts (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	100%
Spanish	High	Speaking practice Oct Year 11 Speaking exam May Year 11	25%
Sport Studies (D*, D, M, P)	Medium	Ongoing though the two years	75%

The following subjects are 100% teacher assessed:

Art

Land Management

Performing Arts

The following subjects have no controlled assessments:

Business Studies

English Language

English Literature

Geography

History

Maths

Philosophy

Science – Combined

Science – Biology

Science – Chemistry

Science – Physics

World History