

GCSE, A level, Vocational and Apprenticeship Reform Timetable

	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017-18
GCSE	<p>Specifications for the first stage GCSE subjects in school – Autumn Term – English Language, English Literature, Maths</p> <p>Subject content for second stage GCSEs in the sciences, History, Geography, Languages, Art and Design, Citizenship, Computer Science, Design and Technology, Drama, Dance, Music, PE, Religious Studies published – by spring term</p> <p>Result of the consultation on the final stage of reformed GCSE subjects published</p>	<p>Start teaching first stage GCSEs</p> <p>Specification for the second round of reformed GCSEs in school – Autumn term</p> <p>Final summer exams for current GCSEs in English Language, English Literature and Maths</p>	<p>Start teaching second stage GCSEs</p> <p>First exams for first stage GCSEs</p> <p>Final exams in current GCSEs in English Language, English Literature and Maths – November</p> <p>Final summer exams for current GCSEs in the sciences, History, Geography, Languages, Art and Design, Citizenship, Computer Science, Design and Technology, Drama, Dance, Music, PE, Religious Studies</p> <p>Final stage GCSE specifications in school</p>	<p>First exams for second stage GCSEs</p> <p>Begin teaching the final stage of reformed GCSE subjects</p>
A level	<p>Specifications for the first round of reformed A level in school – Autumn Term -English Language, English Literature, English Language and Literature, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, History, Psychology, Sociology, Art and Design, Business Studies, Economics and Computing.</p> <p>Result of the third round of reformed A level subjects consultation published</p>	<p>Start teaching first round subjects:</p> <p>First de-coupled AS exams in first round subjects</p> <p>Subject content and specification for second round of reformed A levels in school</p> <p>Final summer exams in current A2 and AS courses in first round subjects</p>	<p>Start teaching second round subjects: Geography, Maths, Further Maths, Modern Foreign Languages, Design and Technology, Drama, Music, PE and Religious Studies</p> <p>First linear A level exams in English Language, English Literature, English Language and Literature, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, History, Psychology, Sociology, Art and Design, Business Studies, Economics and Computing.</p> <p>First AS exams for subjects in the second round</p>	<p>Begin teaching the final round of subjects</p> <p>First linear A level exams in second round subjects</p>

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			Final AS and A2 exams in second round subjects	
			Final round of reformed A levels subjects specifications in school	
Vocational	<p>From 2013 - 2016 level 3 vocational qualifications will have an 'interim' status while awarding bodies work towards new criteria. DfE has published the Applied General and Technical Level 3 approved qualifications list</p> <p>Sept 2014 - first teaching of interim L3 vocational qualifications</p> <p>September 2015 – new approved L2 qualifications</p> <p>The Technical Baccalaureate will be a performance measure for level 3 courses taken by 16-19 year olds. It will have three elements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A high quality level 3 vocational qualification 2. A level 3 core Maths qualification, such as an AS in Maths 3. The extended project <p>September 2015 – smaller 'Core Maths' qualification will be available that will count towards the Tech Bacc.</p>		<p>Fully reformed and approved vocational qualifications taught</p> <p>Tech Bacc will be used as a performance table measure</p>	
Apprenticeships	Existing apprenticeship frameworks are being replaced by employer designed Apprenticeship Standards. All apprenticeships will be for a minimum 12 month period with higher expectations for English and Maths within them.			All apprenticeships will work towards standards rather than frameworks
Funding	GCSE English and Maths classes for students who did not get a GCSE C+. Funding penalties where these are not provided.	Last year of transitional funding protection for policy changes introduced in 2010-2011 (aligning sixth form and FE funding)	Last year of funding protection resulting from formula funding changes – move from qualification to student funding	