## HSC EXAM STUDY TIMETABLE 2018 – INSTRUCTIONS

## The suggested timetable has been structured with the following points in mind:

- You are sitting 6 HSC examinations.
- It takes 40 hours to prepare for the exam(s) in one subject.
- Study sessions dedicated to exam preparations are 90 minutes (1.5 hours) long. These sessions are referred to as 'exam preparation sessions'.
- 27 exam preparation sessions are to be allocated to each subject.
- Each subject can therefore be divided into 27 topics or sections or sets of notes. we would concentrate on 1 topic each time we had an exam preparation session.
- A total of 162 exam preparation sessions will be required to prepare for 6 subject exams.
- There will be a total of 162 topics or sets of notes to learn before your exams.
- On average, students will complete <u>seventeen</u> 90 minute exam preparation sessions each week (i.e. at least 25.5 hours will be spent actively preparing for the exams each week). This will <u>not be possible</u> every week, however, <u>generous buffers</u> have been incorporated into the timetable to take this point into account.
- What activities can be included in the exam preparation sessions?

Can Be Included	Can't Be Included
Learning materials "off by heart"	Writing notes
Working through past exam questions/papers	General homework
Revision	Time spent preparing for assessments based on topics that aren't examinable
Writing flash cards & executive summaries	
Reading texts	
Writing essays	
Attending quality revision lectures	
Weekly tuition classes	
Exam revision classes at school	
Exam focused private tuition	
Time spent preparing for assessments based on topics that are examinable	

## **IMPORTANT POINTS**

- Decide on which subjects and topic(s) (or set of notes) you will be re-learning each morning (non-school days) or when you get home from school. Cross off each learning task in the timetable as it has been addressed.
- There are no rules where topic selections are involved. If you're in a Chemistry mood spend the days working through Chemistry materials. If you're really tired, choose a set of notes/section that are short in length and/or easy. If you're up to it emotionally and physically, choose a set of notes/section that you find difficult.