## Study Skills Course Milestones for Students

Please fill in sheets outlining what subjects/topics activities should be covered/completed by when.

This will inform students on what they need to focus on throughout their study skills period.

Course Title:	COMPUTING	Level:	HIGHER
SCIENCE			

Month	Work to be covered/Topics/Activities/Assignments	
June/July	<ul> <li>SOFTWARE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT UNIT</li> <li>Low-level operations and computer architecture</li> <li>Hardware Requirements</li> <li>Software Requirements</li> <li>Technical Implementation: Storage</li> </ul>	
August	<ul> <li>Networking/Connectivity</li> <li>Security Risks</li> <li>Security Precautions</li> </ul>	
September	<ul> <li>End of Unit written Assessment (Department Assessment)</li> <li>Revision of programming and key constructs.</li> <li>Languages and Environments</li> <li>Design notations</li> <li>Development Methodologies</li> <li>Testing (Both Units)</li> <li>Computational Constructs - Theory and Practical/Implementation - 'Higher Programming in Visual Basic' workbook.</li> </ul>	
October	Computational Constructs – Theory and     Practical/Implementation – 'Higher Programming in Visual Basic' workbook.	
November	<ul> <li>Computational Constructs - Theory and         Practical/Implementation - 'Higher Programming in Visual         Basic' workbook.</li> <li>Data Types and Structures - Theory and         Practical/Implementation</li> <li>Algorithm Specification - Theory and</li> </ul>	

	Practical/Implementation
December	<ul> <li>Testing and Documenting Solutions</li> <li>SQA Assessment Higher Computing Science Assessment Materials.</li> </ul>

January	INFORMATION SYSTEM DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT UNIT
	<ul> <li>Structures and Links (Databases)</li> <li>Structures and Links (Databases)</li> <li>Structures and Links (web-based)</li> </ul> SQA Assessment Higher Computing Science Assessment Materials.
	PRELIM PREPARATION
February	PRELIM EXAMS
	<ul> <li>Legal implications:</li> <li>Environmental implications:</li> <li>Topic: Economic and Social Impact</li> </ul>
	Project/ Coursework Assignment
March	Project/ Coursework Assignment.
	REVISION CHECKLIST FOR WHOLE COURSE ISSUED FOR STUDY OVER HOLIDAYS.

April	Revision	
Study Skills Course		
Directory of Support Resources		

Please fill in details below outlining what support is available for students completing this course. Please include on-line resources, books and details of revision sessions. If appropriate match the resource to the topics in the milestone calendar.

Resources	Topic/Activity/Assignment
TEXTBOOKS	
How to Pass Higher Computing Science for CfE	Whole course theory
By Greg Reid published by Hodder Education	Whole course theory
Higher Computing Science by Alan Williams published by Bright Red	Interactive online materials
Scholar	Mainly concentrating on how to answer exam style questions in Higher Business
LUNCHTIME REVISION SESSIONS:	Management.
These will be available prior to and after the Prelim during one lunchtime agreed with the majority of pupils in the class.	