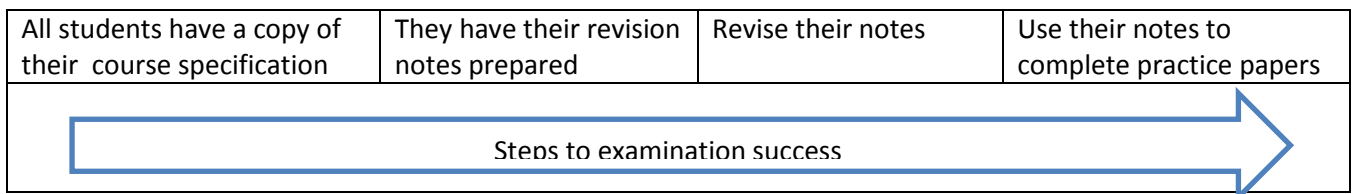


**Successful and Effective Revision at Birches Head Academy**

**6 Common Mistakes Students Make – Avoid making these!**

- Students do not give themselves enough time to prepare
- Students revise the wrong content
- Students don't correct past mistakes and as such they continue to repeat them
- They don't have a revision plan
- They don't have a specific goal for their exam e.g., 'they just want to pass'
- Students don't complete enough practice papers

As the exam season approaches for each examination students should ensure the following stages are complete:



**Ensure the correct content is revised – ALL STUDENTS NEED A COPY OF THE SPECIFICATION**

- Through their revision notes, mock examinations and class tests students need to identify where they lost marks – this needs to become the focus of their revision
- Once this is identified students need to seek the advice of the teacher as to HOW these need to be corrected
- Once they are corrected students need to obtain feedback to ascertain if their corrections are correct

**Use others to help**

- Use models of excellent answers provided by teachers so that students are clear about what a successful answer looks like
- Use successful others around them (friends) as a guide to know what success looks like

**Practice Papers**

- This was the principle message of the workshop. Students should be encouraged to do as many as they can. Their research suggested that the more the students complete, the better they will do in their examinations – badger your teachers for lots and lots of past questions