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Welcome

Year 12

The Sixth Form Management Team

Mrs Lynne Franklin-Sixth Form House Manager

Mr J Hirst - Deputy Head Pupil Achievement

Mr G Pettitt – Assistant Director of Sixth Form Year 12

Mrs L Clark – Assistant Director of Sixth Form Year 13

Mr J Merritt – Lead Teacher Achievement Careers and Inclusion

Ms J Russell – Lead Teacher Aspirations

Mrs K Saunders – Lead Teacher Quality Assurance





Your Children

All have gold standard (5A*-C)

All have C in Maths and English

Our brightest bunch of Year 12s ever!



Changes to A Levels

- Since 2000 A levels have been divided into two
- AS levels taken in Year 12
- A2s taken in Year 13
- There are no modular exams, only terminal exams in May and June
- AS level exams constitute 50% of the overall A2 grade
- Students take four AS levels or equivalents and drop down to three in Year 13

Year 12

 All students are expected to take up some volunteering within school or the community

 We also expect each student to take up some enrichment projects over the course of the year



Changing circumstances

- University tuition fees are £9000
- Universities are tightening up entrance requirements
- Students and schools need to get it right first time.
- Entrance requirements into Year 13 will be a minimum of 3 grade D AS levels





Dress Code

- Formal Trousers
- Shirts that <u>could</u> accommodate tie
- Work shoes (no Vans or Converse)
- Smart Jackets



How to Achieve the best?

Sixth Form Rationale

Minimum 4 AS and 3A2
Right Course for Right Student
Commitment to completion of course by student and teacher



Induction and Probationary Period

- Entry Requirements
- Summer Task
- Four week probationary period
- Initial Assessment Week (29th September)



Initial Assessment Week

- First Four weeks will be challenging
- Homework set and marked
- Students to be seen to be studying in study periods
- Every subject will have a 45 min formal exam at the end of September
- Initial Assessment Grade should reflect summer task, work in first four weeks and the terminal assessment
- Grade will be an AtL grade reported to parents on line



Getting on the Right Course

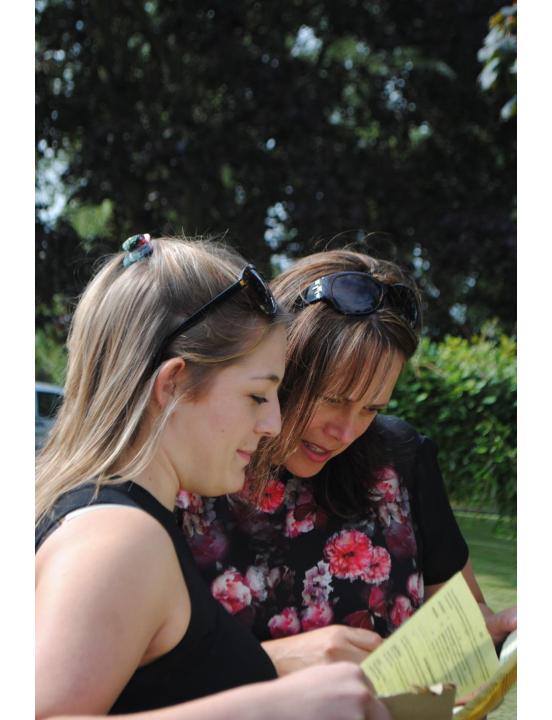
The First Four Weeks
High Expectations
High Aspirations



A Level Equivalents

- Hair and Beauty
- BTEC Environmental Sustainability
- BTEC Fashion and Clothing
- Nat Cert in Performing Arts
- OCR Business





Transfer and Dropping

- The principle of the Sixth Form is that students are to be discouraged from transferring courses.
- Students must be able to carry 3 AS subjects through to A2.



Commitment

- The Induction Process is structured to ensure students are aware of expectations of Sixth Form.
- That they are on the right course and committed to it.
- That staff are committed to ensuring that the individual student achieves their target grade.
- Removal from course will not be permitted after Tuesday 21st October.

COMMITMENTS ARE OUTLINED IN OUR STUDENT AGREEMENT

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Parents

- You are a vital link in securing your child's success.
- Keep in contact
- Tell us your concerns
- Work with your children
- Build on their GCSE success



<u>Support</u>

Reporting and Assessment

- All reports online
- Every half term
- Appraisal meeting with Tutor
- Target Grade, Predicted grade and AtL grade
- **B1** Excelling and should be working to move up to next grade
- **B** secure grade
- **B3** Insecure grade and likely to fall into the grade band below





<u>Support</u>

- Lessons start at 8.50am
- Pastoral curriculum time is after period 2 (10.50) and all students are expected to attend
- Sixth Form tutor groups are organised by year
- Lesson registers are taken and can be accessed through parent Gateway.



<u>Support</u>

- Academic Writing
- Student Contracts
- Bursary
- Duke of Edinburgh (launch 22nd September)
- Supervised Study and contracts



Year 12 Key Dates

EVENT	DATE
Initial Assessment Week	w/b 29 th September
Timetable Lock Down	21st October
Interim Exam Week	w/b 1 st December
Pre Public Exams	w/b 9 th February
Progress Evening	5 th March
Coursework Deadline Day	27 th March
Futures Day	17 th June



Please Talk To Us!

No nasty surprises please!

- Mrs Franklin as a port of call.
- Subject Leaders on website
- Tutors
- Mr Pettitt



The Importance of Year 12



