

SIXTH FORM KEY DATES AND ASSESSMENT CALENDAR 2018-19

The following document should be kept at the front of your subject file to ensure you are fully prepared for the year ahead. It gives you an overview of all the important dates and also of the assessment weeks you will have throughout the year.

HOW WILL WE MONITOR YOUR PROGRESS?

At the beginning of your Sixth Form journey you will receive an ALPS target grade. This is calculated from your GCSE performance and it provides a minimum grade prediction for the end of your A Level studies. To monitor your progress towards this minimum grade you will be assessed regularly. This gives both school and your parents/carers a real indication of your progress and allows quick intervention if things are not going as well as we all expect.

As a Sixth Form student we appreciate that you are now far more independent in your approach to learning, but we also know that continuing to work closely with your parents/carers gives you the best chance of securing the very best outcomes. Now that all A Level courses are linear, it is crucial that we all keep a close eye on your progress. After all you joined the Sixth Form to be successful!

Each half term you will have a formal assessment week which will consist of teachers giving you a timed assessment in each of your subjects. This will be tailored to the content you have been taught in lessons and it will be a past examination question, ensuring you are fully prepared for your external examinations. Once a year you will also have a formal mock examination period in which you will sit full examination papers in each of your subjects.

For all assessments it is the expectation that if you do not meet the required standard set by your teacher, which is likely to be your minimum target grade, then this assessment will be repeated outside of lessons, at a time determined by the Sixth Form team. You will be well prepared and supported throughout the preparation for these assessments, but if you feel in any way unsure, then you must seek the help of your classroom teacher immediately. For students on BTEC courses, it is crucial you meet the deadlines set by your subject staff, as your course relies on ongoing assessments which all count towards your final grades.

Your time management must be excellent to meet the demands of this workload, it is not easy keeping on top of multiple assignments! Any student who does not meet the course assessment requirements will not be allowed to progress into Year 13 and their future in the Sixth Form will be assessed. We do not offer resit years, unless there are exceptional circumstances, and therefore it is imperative you keep up to date and on top of your workload. Please do see us if you are struggling in any way.

On a half termly basis you will receive a progress report (PR report). In this, subject staff will report your attitude to learning and the grade which they expect you to achieve at the end of your course, providing you continue to work as you currently are doing. These reports will be sent home to your parents/carers and will be discussed with your form tutor in an academic tutorial. If there are any concerns regarding your progress in any of your subjects, the Sixth Form team will direct you towards intervention, with your parents/carers being involved every step of the way.

WEEK		W/C	SIXTH FORM ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING		OTHER SIXTH FORM EVENTS & PARENTS' EVENINGS
			YEAR 12	YEAR 13	
1	A	3rd Sept INSET: Monday 3 rd Sept Tuesday 4 th Sept	Start of Term 1		
2	B	10th Sept			Thu 13 Sep Sixth Form IAG 6.00pm for Y12, 7.00pm for Y13
3	A	17th Sept			
4	B	24th Sept	Y12 Diagnostic Week Assessments will be carried out in lessons based on your summer transition task and work completed to date to ensure you are placed on the most appropriate courses		
5	A	1st Oct		Y13 Assessment Week In class assessments & BTEC progress check	
6	B	8th Oct INSET: Friday 5 th Oct			
7	A	15th Oct	Your first Progress Report (PR) data will be collected during the next two weeks, allowing your subject staff to reflect on your performance to date		
HALF TERM HOLIDAY					
8	B	29th Oct		PR1 Y13 to parents on Parents' Evening	Mon 29 Oct Internal UCAS Deadline Thu 1 Nov Y13 Parents' Evening
9	A	5th Nov	PR1 Y12 sent home to parents this week		Thu 8 Nov Sixth Form Open Evening/Careers Fair
10	B	12th Nov			
11	A	19th Nov	Sixth Form Assessment Week in class assessments & BTEC progress check		
12	B	26th Nov			
13	A	3rd Dec	PR2 Y12/13 data collection week		Fri 7 Dec Deadline for Y11 applications
14	B	10th Dec			
15	A	17th Dec	PR2 Y12/13 will be sent home to parents this week		

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

16	B	3rd Jan	Start of Term 2		
17	A	7th Jan			
18	B	14th Jan			
19	A	21st Jan			
20	B	28th Jan	Y12 Assessment Week & BTEC progress check		Sixth Form interviews to be conducted over the next two weeks
21	A	4th Feb			
22	B	11th Feb			

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

23	A	25th Feb	Y12 Parents' Evening and PR3 Reports to parents	Y13 Mock exams & BTEC progress check	Thu 28th Feb Y12 Parents' Evening
24	B	4th Mar		Y13 Mock exams continue PR3 Y13 Data and Mock Results collection	
25	A	11th Mar		PR3 Y13 Data & Mock Results collection continues	Date tbc Y12 UCAS Convention
26	B	18th Mar			Wed 20 Mar Y13 Mock results afternoon
27	A	25th Mar		Yr 13 Re Mock Week	
28	B	1st Apr			

EASTER HOLIDAY

29	A	23rd Apr BANK HOLIDAY Monday 22 nd April	Start of Term 3		
30	B	29th Apr			
31	A	7th May BANK HOLIDAY Monday 6 th May			
32	B	13th May			
33	A	20th May			Fri 24th May Y13 Leavers' assembly
HALF TERM HOLIDAY					
34	B	3rd Jun			
35	A	10th Jun			Thu 13 Jun Lower school Open Evening
36	B	17th Jun	Y12 Mock Exams		
37	A	24th Jun	Y12 Work Experience Week		Tue 25 Jun Y11 Induction
38	B	1st Jul	Y12 Mock Results afternoon (Thu 4 Jul)		Thur 4 Jul Y13 Leavers' Ball
39	A	8th Jul			
40	B	15th Jul			
END OF YEAR					