

SIXTH FORM KEY DATES & ASSESSMENT CALENDAR 2021-2022

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 WE WILL MONITOR YOUR PROGRESS?

At the beginning of your Sixth Form journey you will receive a target grade. This is calculated from your GCSE performance and it provides a **minimum grade prediction** for the end of your A Level / BTEC 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 & REPORTING		OTHER SIXTH FORM EVENTS & PARENTS' EVENINGS
		YEAR 12	YEAR 13	
A	6 SEP	Y12 begin Sixth Form: MONDAY 6 SEPTEMBER Y13 begin Sixth Form: TUESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER		
B	13 SEP			THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER Sixth Form IAG Evening Y12 6.00pm Y13 7.00pm
A	20 SEP			
B	27 SEP	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		
A	4 OCT (INSET day Friday 8)		Y13 ASSESSMENT WEEK In class assessments & BTEC progress check	MONDAY 4 OCTOBER Early entry deadline for UCAS
B	11 OCT			
A	18 OCT		First Progress Report (PR) data will be collected during this week, allowing your subject staff to reflect on your performance to date	MONDAY 18 OCTOBER Internal UCAS Deadline
HALF TERM HOLIDAY				
B	1 NOV		PR1 Y13 to parents on Parents' Evening	THURSDAY 4 NOVEMBER Y13 Parents' Evening
A	8 NOV			THURSDAY 11 NOVEMBER Sixth Form Open Evening
B	15 NOV			
A	22 NOV	SIXTH FORM ASSESSMENT WEEK In class assessments & BTEC progress check		
B	29 NOV			

A	6 DEC			FRIDAY 10 DECEMBER Deadline for Y11 applications
B	13 DEC	PR1 Y12 grades sent home to parents this week		

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

A	4 JAN (INSET Monday 3)		PR2 Y13 grades sent home to parents this week	
B	10 JAN			
A	17 JAN			
B	24 JAN	Y12 ASSESSMENT WEEK In class assessments & BTEC progress check		Sixth Form interviews to be conducted over the next two weeks
A	31 JAN			
B	7 FEB			
A	14 FEB			

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

B	28 FEB	Y12 PARENTS' EVENING & PR2 reports to parents	Y13 MOCK EXAM WEEK Mock exams & BTEC progress check	THURSDAY 3 MARCH Y12 Parents' Evening
A	7 MAR			
B	14 MAR			
A	21 MAR			FRIDAY 25 MARCH Y13 Mock results
B	28 MAR	Y12 ASSESSMENT WEEK In class assessments & BTEC progress check		

EASTER HOLIDAY

A	19 APR (Bank holiday Mon 18 th)			
B	25 APR			
A	3 MAY (Bank holiday Mon 2)			
B	9 MAY	PR3 Reports to parents	EXTERNAL EXAMS BEGIN	
A	16 MAY			

B	23 MAY			FRIDAY 27 MAY Y13 Leavers' Assembly
HALF TERM HOLIDAY				
A	6 JUN			
B	13 JUN			
A	20 JUN	Y12 MOCK EXAM WEEK		
B	27 JUN (INSET Friday 1 July)	Y12 WORK EXPERIENCE		
A	4 JUL	Y12 MOCK RESULTS (Afternoon Thursday 8)		TUESDAY 5 JULY External Students Induction Day
B	11 JUL			WEDNESDAY 13 JULY Y13 Leavers' Ball
A	18 JUL			