



SCHOOL CALENDAR - Parents

YEAR OVERVIEW

YEAR 11

2016-17

This calendar of the school year provides an overview of the key events planned for the year to date. A number of initiatives have been introduced for the new academic year, which are intended to support pupils as they prepare for their GCSE exams. These initiatives will also provide skills and guidance to help pupils make the right decisions for their future beyond school. Some of these are summarised below.

Academic Mentoring: Pupils will be allocated a staff mentor who will support them for the duration of the year. They will meet with their mentor on a daily basis.

The academic mentoring programme will be designed to support pupils in developing learning skills that can be used in lessons and beyond. The programme will focus on personal development, including interpersonal skills, careers, study skills and learning

Enrichment Afternoon: Each Wednesday afternoon, there will be a series of programmes and individual activities that pupils can take part in. Most of these will run on a cycle, providing pupils will opportunities to engage with a number of activities throughout the course of the year.

The afternoons will provide valuable leisure time away from the high level of focus and intensity of the week.

A programme of work experience and careers guidance will be incorporated into this time.

Panel Meetings: Pupils will be given opportunities to discuss their progress across all subjects with a senior member of staff and/or mentor. The process is designed to encourage pupils to consider:

- What am I doing to ensure I make good progress towards my end goals?
- How well is this working?
- What do I need to do next to stay on track?

There will be a number of opportunities throughout the year where parents can join these meetings.

Book Sharp: The routine of completing 'Book Sharp' will continue this year. This is an opportunity for pupils to showcase their classwork and consider how they can adapt their way of working in their books to encourage better progress.

Parents are encouraged to support this process by joining staff and pupils for their book sharp meeting.

Whilst term dates are confirmed, some other events may be subject to change with additional activities and events likely to be added during the course of the year. Parents and carers will be advised of confirmed events via letter prior to the occasion and details will also be posted on the school website.

TERM 1 2016		
Pupils in school: 6 th September – 21 st October		
Monday 5 th September	Staff Training Day	No pupils in school
Tuesday 6 th September	Pupils return to school	
Wednesday 7 th September	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 8 th September		
Friday 9 th September	Mock Results Day: Pupils formally collect exam results. Also a day of business interviews and skills focused workshops.	
Monday 12th – Friday 16th September		
Monday 12 th September	Green Pen Week: Reflection on exam performance in lessons – revisiting and improving grades.	
Tuesday 13 th September		
Wednesday 14 th September	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 15 th September		
Friday 16 th September	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 19 th September		
Tuesday 20 th September		
Wednesday 21 st September	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 22 nd September	Parents' Evening: Tracking Sheets Issued	Parents to attend with pupils
Friday 23 rd September	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 26 th September		
Tuesday 27 th September		
Wednesday 28 th September	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 29 th September		
Friday 30 th September	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 3 rd October	Assessments/Exams	
Tuesday 4 th October		
Wednesday 5 th October		
Thursday 6 th October		
Friday 7 th October		
Monday 10 th October		
Tuesday 11 th October		
Wednesday 12 th October	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 13 th October		
Friday 14 th October	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 17 th October	Pupil panel meetings with academic mentors/learning leader	Parents invited to attend panel meetings.
Tuesday 18 th October		
Wednesday 19 th October	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 20 th October	Pupil panel meetings with academic mentors/learning leader	
Friday 21 st October		
END OF TERM: 24th-28th October		
Resilience Training Residential: TBC		

- Academic Mentoring:**
- Effective Recording: Creating beautiful work and revision materials to be proud about.
 - Reflect: What do my learning behaviours look like? When was the last time you watched yourself learn/teach? Film reviews.
 - 'Step Out, Step Up!' Developing skills for creative learning.
- Impact Review

TERM 2 2016		
Pupils in school: 31 st October – 20 th December		
Monday 31 st October	Pupils return to school	
Tuesday 1 st November		
Wednesday 2 nd November	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 3 rd November		
Friday 4 th November	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 7 th November		
Tuesday 8 th November		
Wednesday 9 th November	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 10 th November		
Friday 11 th November	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 14 th November		
Tuesday 15 th November		
Wednesday 16 th November	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 17 th November		
Friday 18 th November	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 21 st November		
Tuesday 22 nd November		
Wednesday 23 rd November	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 24 th November		
Friday 25 th November	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 28 th November		
Tuesday 29 th November		
Wednesday 30 th November	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 1 st December		
Friday 2 nd December	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 5 th December	Super Mocks	
Tuesday 6 th December		
Wednesday 7 th December	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 8 th December	Super Mocks	
Friday 9 th December		
Monday 12 th December	Super Mocks	
Tuesday 13 th December		
Wednesday 14 th December	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 15 th December	Super Mocks	
Friday 16 th December		
Monday 19 th December	Prize Evening & Christmas Celebration	All parents invited
Tuesday 20 th December		
Wednesday 21 st December	INSET	No pupils in School
Thursday 22 nd December	Holiday	
Friday 23 rd December	Holiday	
END OF TERM 2: 22nd December – 2nd January		

Away Days: To Be Confirmed. Day trips with specific pupils to focus on specific aspects of coursework or exam preparation.

- Academic Mentoring:
- Literacy for Learning, Literacy for life.
 - ‘Step up, Step Out’: What does my future look like? Destination planning.
 - Impact Review.

TERM 3 2017		
Pupils in school: 4 th January – 10 th February		
Monday 2 nd January	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 3 rd January	INSET	No pupils in school
Wednesday 4 th January	Enrichment Afternoon	Pupils return to school
Thursday 5 th January		
Friday 6 th January	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 9 th January		
Tuesday 10 th January		
Wednesday 11 th January		
Thursday 12 th January		
Friday 13 th January	Mock Results Day to include: Business Interviews and careers focused workshops	
Monday 16 th January		
Tuesday 17 th January		
Wednesday 18 th January	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 19 th January	Book Sharp: Mentors and parents (twilight): Reports Issued	Parents to attend with pupils.
Friday 20 th January	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 23 rd January		
Tuesday 24 th January		
Wednesday 25 th January	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 26 th January		
Friday 27 th January	Student of the Week Assembly	
Monday 30 th January	Gap Focused walkthrough Mocks: targeted pupils	
Tuesday 31 st January		
Wednesday 1 st February	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 2 nd February	Gap Focused walkthrough Mocks: targeted pupils	
Friday 3 rd February	Student of the week assembly	
Monday 6 th February		
Tuesday 7 th February		
Wednesday 8 th February	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 9 th February		
Friday 10 th February	Student of the Week Assembly	
END OF TERM 3: 13th – 17th February		
Holiday catch-up classes in selected subjects		
TBC - Away Days: Controlled Assessment days for selected pupils		

- Academic Mentoring:
- Programme of revision – time management.
 - Revision techniques: remembering the facts, showing what I know – creative ways of preparing for exams.
 - The application process: strategies for applying for and securing the dream course or job.

TERM 4 2017		
Pupils in school: 21 st February – 31 st March		
Monday 20 th February	INSET	No pupils in school
Tuesday 21 st February	Pupils return to school	
Wednesday 22 nd February	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 23 rd February		
Friday 24 th February	Student of the Week Assembly	
Week 10		
Monday 27 th February	Mock Exams	
Tuesday 28 th February		
Wednesday 1 st March	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 2 nd March	Parents' Evening: Countdown to exams	Parents to attend with pupils.
Friday 3 rd March	Mock Exams	
Week 11		
Monday 6 th March		
Tuesday 7 th March		
Wednesday 8 th March	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 9 th March		
Friday 10 th March	Student of the Week Assembly	
Week 12		
Monday 13 th March		
Tuesday 14 th March		
Wednesday 15 th March	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 16 th March		
Friday 17 th March	Student of the Week Assembly	
Week 13		
Monday 20 th March		
Tuesday 21 st March		
Wednesday 22 nd March	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 23 rd March		
Friday 24 th March	Student of the Week Assembly Tracking Sheets to go home	
Week 14		
Monday 27 th March	Pupil Panel Meetings	Parents invited to attend panel meetings.
Tuesday 28 th March		
Wednesday 29 th March	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 30 th March	Pupil Panel Meetings	
Friday 31 st March		
END OF TERM 4: 3rd – 17th April		
Holiday Revision Classes in selected subjects		

- Academic Mentoring:
- Revisiting Beautiful work and revision notes.
 - Filling the gaps: building on my strengths and focusing on my weaker areas.
 - Destinations and careers.

TERM 5 2017		
Pupils in school: 19 th April – 26 th May		
Monday 17 th April	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 18 th April	INSET	No pupils in school.
Wednesday 19 th April	Pupils return to school	
	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 20 th April	Parents' Coffee and Exam Preparation Evening	Parents to attend with pupils.
Friday 21 st April	Pupils to confirm planned destinations E.g. College, apprenticeship	Further Careers support available as required.
Monday 24 th April	Walkthrough Exams and intensive revision sessions	
Tuesday 25 th April		
Wednesday 26 th April	Enrichment Afternoon	
Thursday 27 th April		
Friday 28 th April	INSET	
Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 2 nd May	Walkthrough Exams and intensive revision sessions	
Wednesday 3 rd May		
Thursday 4 th May	Walkthrough Exams and intensive revision sessions	
Friday 5 th May		Student of the week assembly
Monday 8 th May	External Examinations. To be confirmed. Pupils are expected to attend all lessons during this period. Additional revision sessions will be offered.	
Tuesday 9 th May		
Wednesday 10 th May		
Thursday 11 th May		
Friday 12 th May		
Monday 15 th May	External Examinations. To be confirmed. Pupils are expected to attend all lessons during this period. Additional revision sessions will be offered.	
Tuesday 16 th May		
Wednesday 17 th May		
Thursday 18 th May		
Friday 19 th May		
Monday 22 nd May	External Examinations. To be confirmed. Pupils are expected to attend all lessons during this period. Additional revision sessions will be offered.	
Tuesday 23 rd May		
Wednesday 24 th May		
Thursday 25 th May		
Friday 26 th May	Prize Evening and celebration	Parents invited
END OF TERM: 29th May – 2nd June		
Holiday Revision Classes in selected subjects		

Academic Mentoring: Targeted Intervention
 • Destinations and careers
 To be confirmed

TERM 6 2017		
Pupils in school: 5 th June – Until final exam and all BTEC coursework is completed		
Monday 5 th June	External Examinations. To be confirmed. As pupils complete courses and examination, they will be given a bespoke timetable of lessons that they are expected to attend.	
Tuesday 6 th June		
Wednesday 7 th June		
Thursday 8 th June		
Friday 9 th June		
Monday 12 th June	External Examinations. To be confirmed. As pupils complete courses and examination, they will be given a bespoke timetable of lessons that they are expected to attend.	
Tuesday 13 th June		
Wednesday 14 th June		
Thursday 15 th June		
Friday 16 th June		
Monday 19 th June	External Examinations. To be confirmed. As pupils complete courses and examination, they will be given a bespoke timetable of lessons that they are expected to attend.	
Tuesday 20 th June		
Wednesday 21 st June		
Thursday 22 nd June		
Friday 23 rd June		
Monday 3 rd July	External Examinations. To be confirmed. As pupils complete courses and examination, they will be given a bespoke timetable of lessons that they are expected to attend.	
Tuesday 4 th July		
Wednesday 5 th July		
Thursday 6 th July		
Friday 7 th July		
Monday 10 th July	External Examinations. To be confirmed. As pupils complete courses and examination, they will be given a bespoke timetable of lessons that they are expected to attend.	
Tuesday 11 th July		
Wednesday 12 th July		
Thursday 13 th July		
Friday 14 th July		

Academic Mentoring: Targeted Intervention
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 • Destinations and careers.