Welcome to our 6th Form!



Tavistock



Who's who?

- James O'Connell Assistant Principal, Head of 6th Form
- Dan Jacob Deputy head of 6th Form
- Jeni Mortimore 6th Form Learning Support advisor
- Charlotte Meneer 6th Form data and reports
- Lisa Mabey 6th Form attendance and bursary lead
- TUTORS



What to expect along the way



Meet the tutors parent's evening: 23rd September

Academic parents' evening

UCAS advice parent's evening

Support with writing UCAS application

5 reports

Specialist

careers advice

and guidance

New

Opportunities for student leadership: Prefect, Mentor, **Council member**

Academic parents' evening







opportunities: **Enrichment**

OUR COMMITMENT

- √ To continue any course we offer in Y12, into Y13
- √ To enable students to do as well as they can, to get where they want to go
- √ To help provide advice for the future
- ✓ To give opportunities to enable our students to develop skills for the future: social and leadership as well as academic
- √ To foster confident, balanced and happy
 citizens through an enjoyable experience

Standards and Expectations

- **✓ Attendance is compulsory**
- ✓ Proper, sensible use of study periods
- ✓ Students should have high expectations and a drive to achieve - Positive, can do attitude
- ✓ A commitment to the school community and to be role models to younger students
- ✓ Be proactive and communicate

Opportunities

Community
Volunteering

Student Mentoring
Scheme

School Council

Future Teacher's Programme

Sports and Fitness

Work Experience

Duke of Edinburgh

Aspire Meetings

EPQ Meetings

Master Class Sessions/Guest Speakers

Committee Meetings

HE and Student Finance Presentations

Sports competitions/team matches

Enrichment

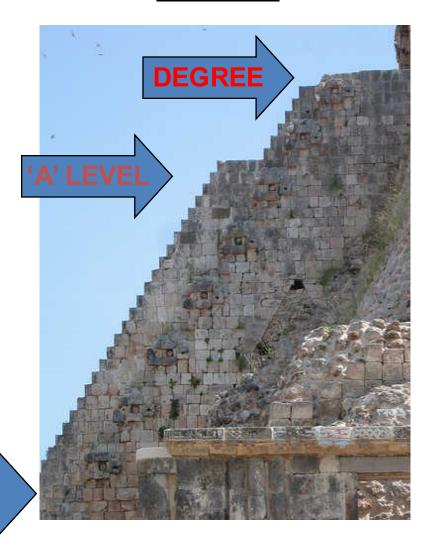
Post 16 Support

Academic Support,
Information and
Guidance (IAG)





A Levels are a BIG step up from GCSE



What does an A Level study programme look like?

- A typical Year 12 student will study either 3 or 4 subjects at 'AS' level
- 10 periods per fortnight for each subject
- Some students may also be taking GCSE resits in English or Maths
- Periods where students do not have lessons are designated as 'Study Periods'
- All students should in addition sign up for an enrichment activity

How much study time is right?

- Students should ideally carry out at least 1 hour of study for every 1 hour of lessons they have.
- It is normal for this to increase prior to examinations or coursework deadlines.

 A student who uses <u>all</u> their school study periods for study will still need to do an additional 5 - 10 hours of study per week outside of school.

Time management and organisation

- Have they got their deadlines & key dates noted down or digitally recorded?
- Do they use a study timetable?
- Do they make effective use of Study Periods?
- Get the balance right between school; social & work commitments?

(Research has shown that students working in part-time jobs for more than 10 hours per week are likely to underperform by at least 1 grade per subject)

COURSE CHANGES

- No more January exams for AS or A2 courses
- However, we will be running a week of formal mock exams in January to ensure students get a dry run before the actual exams in the summer
- For universities, you will need to complete a minimum of 3 full A2 courses in Year 13. This cannot be spread across an extra year.

<u>16-19 Bursary</u>

- We do have some funds available to help support students throughout Sixth Form
- Specific criteria for guaranteed support, however, anyone can submit an application
- Forms are available in the "Satchel Post" section of the Sixth Form site, or directly from the Sixth Form admin office
- If you are currently in receipt of Free School Meals, the bursary will pay for your bus pass (if you need one). If you are eligible for FSM but don't claim them, please do contact us so you don't miss out on the financial support available to you

Next steps: Enrolling in the 6th form – key info

- After the results come through on <u>Thursday 21st August</u> we will need to ensure that all the options that students have chosen are still appropriate and that they have the correct grades
- Enrolment will take place on <u>Wednesday 27th August</u>
- Timetables will then be processed and generated, and Sixth Form lessons will formally begin the following Thursday 4th September
- In advance of enrolment, it would be sensible for any students who do not get the grades they hoped for at GCSE to think about alternative subject choices.
 We will then discuss this with them at enrolment
- If you are applying from outside of the college, you must bring evidence of your GCSE
 qualifications/grades with you to enrolment, as well as your last school report. Your place
 will not be made official until we have seen these documents

Good luck on the 22nd August!





We look forward to welcoming you all in September!