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# Welcome to The Sixth Form The hard work starts now!

Tonight is about ensuring that we communicate the expectations in the Sixth Form so that students, parents and staff are clear

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# Sixth Form Staff



### Mr M Smith

Head of Sixth Form & Assistant Headteacher

Responsible for academic progress, attendance, curriculum and teaching & learning

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Miss L Windle
Sixth Form Pastoral Year Manager

Responsible for student safeguarding, student wellbeing and behaviour (including privileges and sanctions)

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**Mrs Garrod**Sixth Form Study Support manager

Responsible for attendance, punctuality, private study supervision & home study privileges

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### 🎓 🎓 Six Star Sixth Form Guarantee 🎓 🎓



### Dedicated Sixth Form Year Manager

Sixth Form Year Manager Laura Windle works with Mr Smith to provide support to all Sixth Formers to ensure that they are successful.

### Guaranteed Teaching Hours with Qualified Staff

All courses are taught by specialist staff and have 5 hours timetabled teaching; there are no reductions in timetabled contact time.

### **Careers Guidance**

Sixth Form students receive independent careers advice, in addition to information on apprenticeships and career skills from our partners at Career Ready.

### **Breadth of Curriculum**

Very few schools can offer a curriculum with as much breadth as ours, with almost 40 courses available and every 'Facilitating Subject' at A-Level

### Record Number of University Applications

A record number of students have progressed to University in 2021 and 2022. Our mentoring ensures students make good choices and have high aspirations.

### **Facilities for Private Study**

Students have access to excellent facilities for their private study periods, with ample places to work and almost 100 computers for use only by Sixth Form students.

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# Sixth Form Facilities

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### **Facilities**

- We're extremely to lucky to have fantastic facilities within the Sixth Form area which are just for use by the Sixth Form
- G2 is our main study base and common room, with lots of space for students to study and relax during their breaks
- G2 also has canteen facilities exclusively for Sixth Form students so that they do not need to queue with younger students
- Payment at the canteen is by pre-paid card only

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### **Facilities**

- Sixth Form students also have exclusive use of our recently refurbished quad space
- This space can be used for private study and relaxation during breaks



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# Important Information

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# Sixth Form Ethos

- Have the highest possible expectations
- "Expect Excellence" in everything you do
- Aim to be the best in everything you do

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# **Course Changes**

- Any changes to courses must be agreed by Mr Smith and subject staff
- This year, course change forms are not being sent home for signing – students are expected to discuss changes with parents/guardians.
- Course changes are subject to availability of places.
- The deadline for course changes is Friday 23rd September.

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# The School Day

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08:00
                 School site open for Sixth Form
                 Period 1 (Tutor Time)
08:30 - 08:55
08:55 - 10:35
                 Period 2
10:35 – 11:05
                 Break time
11:05 - 12:45
                 Period 3
12:45 - 13:20
                 Lunch break
13:20 - 15:00
                 Period 4
15:00
                 End of normal school day
                 Resit classes (days to be advised by Friday 23rd
15:10 – 16:00
                 September 2022)
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# The School Day

- All students are expected to be in school for an 8:30 start every day. We do not have late starts.
- Period 1/Tutor Time is compulsory for all students and is used for assemblies as well as teaching study skills, citizenship and PSHE.

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# The School Day

- All students are expected in school for a full day every day, unless they have an Independent Study Period in the afternoon.
- For study periods during the morning (period 2 or period 3), students are required to stay on school site and study in G2. This is supervised by Mrs Garrod.
- Students are not allowed to leave the school site during the day except for medical appointments etc.

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### **Timetables**

- Most students have between 9 and 12 lessons per week
- Full Level 3 courses = 3 lessons (5 hours) per week
- GCSE Maths resit lessons: after school, Monday 3:10 4:00
- GCSE English resit lessons: after school, Wednesday 3:10 4:00
- Resits are compulsory for any student not achieving a minimum grade 4 in Maths or English

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## <u>Independent Study Periods</u>

- Periods without a taught lesson.
- We do not consider these to be a "free period"!
- Private Study Periods must be used to STUDY!
- Students may go home at lunchtime to study at home if they do not have a lesson in the afternoon
- Home study privileges will be removed without notice from any student who does not meet Sixth Form expectations

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# Skills Development Curriculum

- One afternoon lesson per week for all students is dedicated to skills development
- Our programme has been written in line with Government policy for developing transferable skills which are desired by employers and Universities
- We will also include activities to develop good health and wellbeing for all Sixth Form students

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# Attendance (1/3)

- Poor attendance (<95%) will result in an attendance review with Mrs Garrod
- Exceptional circumstances for poor attendance will always be considered.
- Unplanned absences (e.g. illness) must be notified by parents/carers to Mrs Garrod

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# Attendance (2/3)

- Planned absences (e.g. for medical appointments, University visits) should be agreed in advance with Mrs Garrod (with evidence as appropriate).
- Green slips will be issued for signing in or out for medical appointments

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# Attendance (3/3)

- Absences will only be agreed according to agreed school policy.
- Absences will **not** be authorised (for example) for holidays, driving lessons, part time jobs or other non-essential absences.

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# <u>Punctuality</u>

- Good punctuality is expected of all students
- Late arrival to school will lead to a late detention on the same day
- Regular lateness will lead to withdrawal of Sixth Form privileges (e.g. afternoon home study)

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### **Dress Code**

- Our dress code for students is very relaxed.
- Unlike most local school Sixth Forms, we do not have a uniform or expect a "business" or "office" dress code
- However, we do have some expectations which students must follow
- This is in line with the dress code published on our website

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### **Dress Code**

We do **not** allow students to wear:

- Ripped/torn jeans or trousers
- Clothing with inappropriate/offensive logos, images or text
- Tops which are 'off the shoulder', with thin 'spaghetti' straps or that do not cover the torso
- Skirts, dresses or shorts which are too short
- Leggings (or cycle shorts) without an appropriate skirt, dress or longer top
- Crop tops
- Clothing which is not fully opaque

This is in line with the dress code published on our website

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### **Dress Code**

- As mature young adults, we expect our students to be able to self-regulate and make sensible choices about appropriate clothing for an 11-18 school.
- Students who do not comply with the dress code may be sent home to change, be isolated for their break times or be subject to other sanctions (we would not isolate students from their lessons).

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# Academic Expectations

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### Academic work

- To be successful, a minimum of 5 hours a week per subject of Independent Study (work outside of timetabled lessons) is required.
- Research shows that for students aiming for A/A\* grades, 10 hours of work per subject outside lessons is required

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### Academic work

- The website has a leaflet for each subject that outlines HOW
  your child should be studying outside lessons (details are at the
  end of the presentation)
- The best way to support your child's academic progress is to ensure they complete sufficient independent study at home
- A student who does not complete sufficient work outside lessons will not be successful at this level

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## Targets and progress

- Target grades will be issued early in October
- Targets will relate to average GCSE grades and prior attainment in the subject
- Targets are set to represent 'good' progress compared to national standards

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# Targets and progress

 Target grades will usually sit in the following range, depending on a students average GCSE grade, their GCSE grade in related subjects and the difficulty of the subject being studied

GCSE Grade	Expected A-Level Target	Expected Vocational Target
Grade 8/9	A/A*	Distinction/Distinction*
Grade 7	В	Distinction
Grade 6	С	Merit
Grade 5	D	Pass

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# Supporting your child

- Talk about their work outside lessons, particularly how much they are doing at home
- Help them to plan their independent study
- Make sure they have a suitable space at home to study, without distractions...

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# Supporting your child

- The biggest distractions for students in the modern era is technology
- Support your child by making sure they have a healthy attitude to their phone. Phones can be a valuable resource, but also very distracting when trying to study

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# Supporting your child

- Sixth Form study can be stressful
- You know your child better than anyone
- Make sure they find a work/life balance...
- And make sure they keep up to date with their work

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# 16-19 Bursary Fund

- Students who are eligible for Free School Meals, living in care (or are care leavers) or registered disabled can apply for a bursary
- Half-termly payment to provide financial support for e.g. travel costs, equipment, clothing
- Full details and application forms are available on the Sixth Form section of the school website

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# **Key Dates**

- Charity Week: 17<sup>th</sup> to 21st October 2022
- Parents' Evening: January 12th 2023
- Year 12 Examinations: 19th to 23rd May 2023
- External examinations: 15<sup>th</sup> May 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023
- Futures Week (careers and University info): 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

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### **Communication**

- BROMCOM is our main form of communication with parents
- Up to date information on attendance, homework, and assessment can be accessed through Edulink
- Staff will also use e-mail to contact parents

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### Communication

- Miss L Windle (Pastoral Year Manager):
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- Mrs Garrod (Study Support Manager): ggarrod@shoeburyness.secat.co.uk
- Mr M Smith (Head of Sixth Form): msmith@shoeburyness.secat.co.uk
- Twitter: @SHS\_Sixth\_Form
- Website: www.shoeburynesshigh.co.uk

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# Subject Expectation Information

- All subject areas have produced leaflets to outline the expectations of students following their subject
- The leaflets will explain the sort of work that students should be completing at home and in Private Study sessions.
- Parents should support their child by referring to these leaflets and ensuring that sufficient work is completed in order to be successful
- This will be in addition to work set as 'homework'

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# Subject Expectation Information

- Parents and students can find the subject expectations leaflets on the school website
- Navigate to the Sixth Form page and select 'Sixth Form Expectations Information' to find the leaflets for each subject