

Year 13

Information Evening

This event will start shortly. We are just allowing some time for parents/carers to join the meeting.

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Introductions



Mrs Cross
Director of Sixth Form
Assistant Headteacher



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Overview of Evening

- **Year 13 Assessment and Reporting**
 - Summer 2024 Examinations
 - Upcoming Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs)
 - Student Attainment and Progress
 - Key Dates for the academic year
- **Academic and Pastoral Support for students**
 - Intervention and Revision
 - Exam Preparation and Study Skills
 - Support Structures
- **Preparations for life after Sixth Form**

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Advanced Level and Level 3 Vocational Qualifications for Summer 2024

- External examinations will take place in Summer 2024.
- Ofqual have stated:
 - All qualifications will be assessed in accordance with pre-pandemic specifications.
 - How the grades will be generated fairly for this cohort of students.

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Pre-Public Examinations

- Students will complete formal assessments in each of their subjects.
- Assess students' attainment and progress.
- Identify students' strengths and areas for development.
- Plan targeted intervention and support for students.
- Develop students' examination techniques.

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Pre-Public Examinations

- Students issued with a PPE Timetable for the 2 week period from **Monday 30th October – Friday 10th November.**
- This details the number and duration of assessments that will be undertaken by each subject area and on what date and time.
- The PPEs will be conducted in a formal exam style setting to develop students' confidence, stamina and resilience for this type of assessment.
- This will be the format of their real Advanced Level and Level 3 Vocational examinations – examination practice is a key part of students' preparation.

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PPE Student Expectations

- Students should attend their PPEs promptly.
- Students should ensure they have all material and resources required, such as stationery and a calculator.
- Mobile phones must be switched off and placed in their bag.
- Students must follow all instructions from the exam invigilator in relation to the administration of the PPE.

Access Arrangements

- Access Arrangements are for those students whose normal ways of working include such arrangements, for example a Reader, Scribe, Extra-Time etc.
- Students who are eligible for Access Arrangements will have these administered for these PPEs.

Student Absence & Contingency

- If a student cannot attend their PPE due to a **Covid related absence but are well enough to complete the assessment**, these will be delivered remotely via Teams for the individual student with the expectation it is completed and submitted in the same timeframe as the timetabled PPE.
- If a student does not attend their PPE due to illness or other absence, they may not be able to undertake this at a later date as it may compromise the integrity of the assessment. This will be considered on an individual basis.
- Alternative assessment evidence will be considered when generating a Predicted Grade for students who do not complete all of their PPEs.

Reporting Student Attainment and Progress

- **Predicted Grade** – our professional judgement of how a student will perform if they continue to work at the same rate of progress in that subject taking into account the different components of a qualification (e.g. Exam, Non-Examined Component, Practical Task etc.)
- Effort and Behaviour
- Areas of Strength and Development

Reporting Student Attainment and Progress

- Year 13 Academic Progress Summary Report sent to parents/carers w/c **Monday 27th November.**
- **Parental Consultation Evening on Thursday 30th November.**

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Assessment and Reporting Dates for the diary

- Year 13 PPE 1

Monday 30th October – Friday 10th November

Academic Progress Summary Report – w/c 27th November

Parental Consultation Evening – Thursday 30th November

Year 13 PPE 2

Monday 5th February – Friday 16th February

- Academic Progress Summary Report – w/c 11th March

- Parental Consultation Evening – Thursday 14th March

A-Level & Vocational Examinations
Monday 13th May – Friday 21st June
(Provisional)

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Academic & Pastoral Support for Students

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Progress and Pastoral Care



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Preparation in school leads to success and supports positive well-being

- **Staff** will help prepare students by teaching new ideas clearly and through regular testing and assessment of previous knowledge.
- **Staff** will provide clear and precise feedback on how to improve.
- **Students** must take responsibility for their learning, in particular through attending regularly and engaging and focusing in lessons.

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Revision Techniques and Study Skills

- Students attend Revision Technique sessions to develop good strategies for ensuring success in their exams.



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Individual Support

- Some students may require extra support in subject areas
- Departments will support students on an individual basis
- Personal Tutors will also support students in 1:1 meetings and help them implement the advice from teachers

Intervention Vs Revision Classes

- Individual students will be invited to intervention sessions where a need has been identified.
- Revision classes will be offered to all students by teaching staff on key topics if and when appropriate .

Prepare Effectively at home:

- Keep calm
- Plan ahead
- Build in some down time
- Start now and establish a routine
- Complete homework to embed learning
- Equipment
- Environment
- Sleep management

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As a parent / carer how can I help?

- Encourage good sleep hygiene
- Encourage exercise and regular breaks
- Nutritious food (especially breakfast!)
- Provide a suitable environment
- Offer encouragement and support
- Monitor mental health and anxiety
- Check whether revision is actually happening
- Encourage students to ask for help

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All getting too much?

- Seek help
- Talk to friends
- Communicate with school
- Stop revising, have a break and some time out
- Exercise
- Start small

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During the exams

- Establish good sleep patterns
- Discuss the importance of being:
 - mentally prepared
 - physically prepared
 - emotionally prepared
- Positive attitude and resilience
- Use the support around you PMs/1:1 meetings/SF team

Preparation for life after the Sixth Form

University

Employment

Gap year

Apprenticeship



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Information, Advice & Guidance

- Apprenticeship Talks and meetings
- Vets/Medicine/Dentistry applications/UCAT
- University meetings (UCAS Process)
- Student Finance talks
- Assistance with job applications
- Careers appointments

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Questions

- If you have any questions regarding the information provided this evening then please contact 6thformadmin@helsbyhigh.org

Thank you for attending

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