

Welcome to Sixth Form Evening 11 September 2024



The vision for the Sixth Form...

...to raise the aspirations of our young adults by nurturing a passion for learning, enriching the student experience and securing outcomes which exceed their expectations...



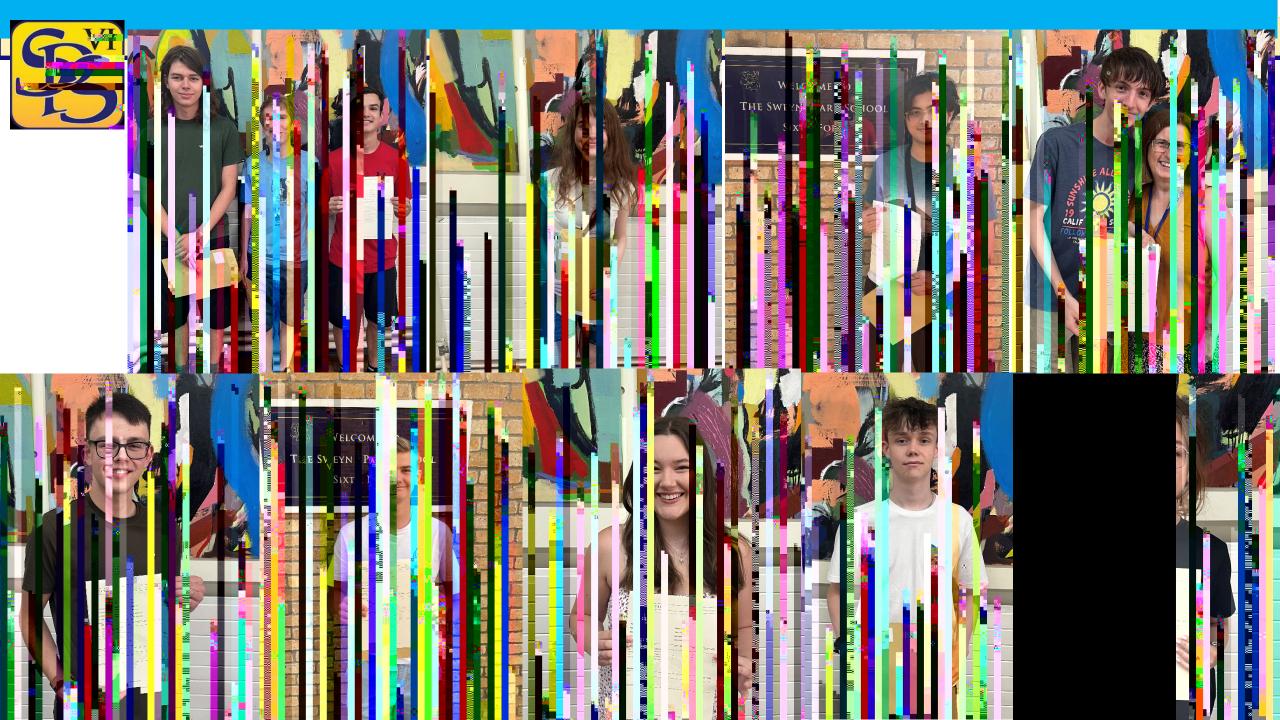
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Who are the key staff involved?



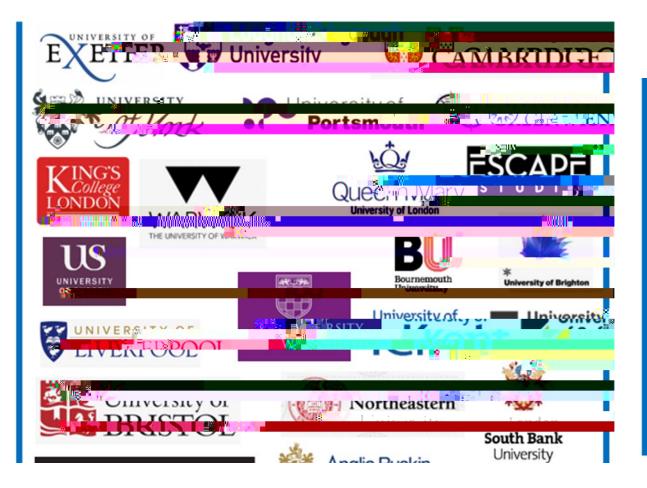


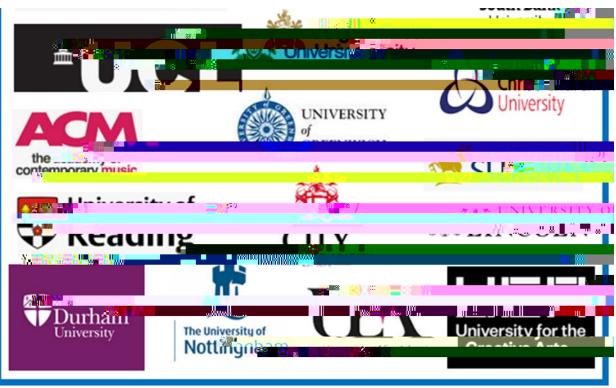
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What does the Sixth Form involve?

- 3 or 4 subjects in Year 12, 3 or 4 subjects in Year 13 to full A Leve
- A voluntary Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) across 13 mont
- Curriculum Enrichment on Wednesday afternoons
- Building an impressive portfolio to impress Admissions Tutors an Employers
- Developing academically, personally and socially



What are the school's expectations of students?

- Professional environment
- Atmosphere conducive to study
- Setting their own expectations high
- Seeking to make a valuable contribution inside and outside the classroom

Raising aspirations



What facilities are available to students?

- Dedicated Sixth Form teaching rooms in Sixth Form block
- Maslow Library computers and private study booths for Year 12 only
- Marie Curie IT suite computers for Year 13 only
- The Forum private study booths and collaborative workspace for both year groups
- The Atrium and Piazza study café and social space
- School Library huge investment in A Level books and electronic resources.



How do we raise the aspirations of your young person?

Small tutor groups with personalised approach to form tutoring – undergraduate-style 'Personal Tutors'

Generous staff/student ratio in A Level classes

Excellent track record on destinations and results

Investment in personal development

Bespoke, individualised provision through pathways programme



	Wednesday Sessions	Tutor Sessions
Week 1	Who am I as a learner? Vespa, Myers Briggs, VAK, Multiple Intelligences and Gregoric models of thinking.	Shadow timetable task, ICT agreement, Learner agreement, attendance and punctuality policy
Week 2	How can I manage my time? Energy line, Shadow timetable, Eisenhower's prioritisation matrix	Follow up time management tasks from booklets. (Vespa tasks) Skim/Scan and close reading
Week 3	How can I strengthen my future university or employment applications? Supra-curricular opportunities and the library resources.	Preparing your social media for interview
Week 5	Curriculum Enrichment sign up	Data protection



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What is the style of Level 3 work like?

- Hugely different from GCSE
- A Level classes are smaller
- You see more than one subject specialist teacher several times a week good working relations are essential
- Teachers do **not** spoon-feed they direct, advise, facilitate and encourage
- Unlike GCSE, there is no homework timetable
- Expect homework every night
- Around 5 hours per subject per week is recommended, i.e. 15 to 20



How do students adjust to this new style?

- Students **must** prepare for lessons in advance
- Get into the habit of making notes in class and writing them up
- Organise your notes and files appropriately
- Make use of a student planner or diary. Record all work set and note down deadlines
- Revision should be an ongoing process. You cannot leave everything until Easter.



How do students excel in their subjects?



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How do students balance so much in so little time?

- Organisation is essential
- Prioritise progress at A Level is more important than extra-curricular pursuits
- Limit the number of hours' paid employment you do recommended maximum
 9 hours p/week
- Pace yourself get lots of sleep!
- If you feel overwhelmed, ask for help!

• Curriculum Enrichment programme

- Subject Ambassador
- Charity and Events Committee
- Press Team: Digital and Print
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What does the Extended Project Qualification involve?

- Opportunity to write or create an extended research project of entirely your choice
- EITHER 6,000 word essay OR investigative field study OR extended creative project
- Each student has a dedicated specialist supervisor
- Completed across 13 months
- Scaled down version of postgraduate research project highly valued by universities
- Can lower a university offer e.g instead of AAA > ABB





Date	Year 12	Year 13
September 29th	Attitude to Learning Grades	UCAS Subject References
19 th September	Open Evening: half day. Tour guides and car parking	
Wk of 30 th Sept	12.0 settling in grades	
18 th September	Wednesday 1-3pm Supra-curricular and academic resources	optional
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What happens when in the Sixth Form?

February Aspirations WeekMarch 12.2 report Attitude to Learning , Teacher Assessed Grade

Year 12 Consultation Evening

April Student Leadership Interviews

May Higher Education evening



What happens when in the Sixth Form?

JuneUCAS process beginsUCAS Higher Education ConferenceInternal exams and mock results

July

Oxbridge and Medics' Conference Employability Conference Mock exams 12.3 Attitude to Learning and Teacher Assessed Grade

