

# Introduction to the Sixth form for parents of Year 12

Thursday 22 September 2011

# Speaking tonight

- Barry Hayton Assistant Headteacher/Head of Sixth Form
- Paul Hayman Headteacher
- Alex Fogg, Kristi Sawyer Current Year 13 students

# Also present

- Miss Alison Smith Sixth Form Pastoral Support Co-ordinator

# The next two years

- AS Level:
- 4 subjects + General Studies
- 2 modular examinations (3 in some subjects)
- AS UMS out of 200 (300 in some subjects)
- Grades A-E 80% = A 70% B 60% C etc
- Modules in January (not all subjects) and June

# The next two years

- A Level
- 3 subjects + Extended Project or Critical Thinking
- AS UMS score + A2 UMS score
- A Level UMS out of 400 (600 for some subjects)
- Grades A\*-E A\* = 90% in A2 modules and 80% overall A = 80% B 70% etc
- Modules in January (not all subjects) and June
- Resits available of AS modules in January (student expense)

# The Sixth Form Contract

- The student agrees to:
- punctual and full attendance at registration and all lessons including tutorial
- the completion of all work set by the teaching staff
- extra hours of study to supplement lessons and set work
- a positive and disciplined attitude both inside and outside the classroom
- a responsibility to promote a positive image of the school through dress and behaviour
- a willingness to play an active role in the sixth form community including completion of the Universities Award

# The Sixth Form Contract

- Parents agree to:
- I will give my support and commitment to the school and endeavour to help my daughter/son to meet the terms of this agreement.

# Sixth Form Dress Code

A chance to be individual but to show off the school in the best light.

- No very short skirts/dresses
- No low cut tops/low waist bottoms
- No shorts/beach wear
- No leggings
- No face piercings/brightly coloured hair
- No torn/ripped jeans

# Leaving the Premises

- Should be on the premises 8.30-3.30
- Except lunchtime (sign out and in)
- Medical/dental appointments outside of school time
- Study periods to complete work set by teachers or to extend knowledge through extra reading

# Explaining Absence

- Expectations for 90%+ attendance
- Absence authorised when a letter/green form is completed
- No holidays can be authorised
- Open days/Interview have separate form – always authorised within reason (max 3 open days in summer term)

# Activity Days 2011-2012

- Friday 14 October  
General Studies Day/Maths Skills Day/ Geography Field Trip
- Wednesday 29 February  
Health Conference
- Friday 27 April  
Preparation for AS exams Study Day/Art Trip
- Monday 2 July  
Into the Future

# Sixth Form Planner

- Records absence
- Records homework
- Records PT grades
- Contains advice and guidance and the expectations regarding conduct/dress etc

# Opportunities

- Extracurricular activities
  - Duke of Edinburgh
  - Young Enterprise
  - Engineering Education Scheme
  - Science Society
  - Psychology Society
  - Sporting activities
  - Music/Drama
  - Reading scheme with Darlington School

# Opportunities

- Responsibility and leadership
- School Council
- Year Council
- Head Girl/Boy & Senior Team
- House Captain/Sports Captain
- Prefects
- Maths mentors
- History prefects

# Opportunities

- Stretch & Challenge
- Extended Project (Year 13)
- YASS
- Latin

# Preparing for Higher Education

- Introduction in the Spring Term but begin thinking now [www.ucas.ac.uk](http://www.ucas.ac.uk)
- UCAS Apply opens June 2012
- Open Days
- Introduction to HE Finance 27 September 2011
- Superfair June 2012
- Into the Future July 2012
- Parents Information Seminar July 2012

# Entry into Year 13

- Must achieve D grade to begin the A Level course
- Must achieve CDD to gain entry into Year 13
- Must achieve BBBB to continue 4 subjects to A Level
- AS Critical Thinking or Extended Project available

# Dates for the diary

- Tuesday 4 October 4-6-30

New Year 12 parents and students to discuss how they have settled in with their form tutors (5-10 minutes)

- Tuesday 29 November 4-6-30

Year 12 Parents Evening (1). A chance to meet with teaching staff.

- Wednesday 14 March 4-6-30

Year 12 Parents Evening (2). A chance to meet with teaching staff after AS January modules have been published.

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# And finally.....

- Opportunities for great academic success
- Personal development and fulfilment
- Support to take the next steps into higher education or employment
- A vital parental role