

Welcome to
Whitchurch High School
Sixth Form Parental
Engagement Evening



Sixth Form Progress Team

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Wellbeing / Form Tutors

Student Team

How do Advanced Levels work?

Year 12

Students select 3/4 subjects and follow the 'AS' courses. End of year assessment/exams - grades awarded.

Year 13

Students usually then 'drop' one subject and then follow the 'A2' course in 3 subjects. End of year assessment/exams - grades awarded based on results from both years.



Managing the Transition

- Independent learning
- Organisation and time management
- Taking responsibility



How can parents/carers help?

Encourage your son/daughter to take advantage of the help and support in school.

- Library/Study area
- Study periods
- Teams
- WJEC Resources

< All teams

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- Home page
- Class Notebook
- Classwork
- Assignments
- Grades
- Reflect
- Insights

Channels

- General

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Year 12 History

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	Folder	Unit 3	27/06/2022	ThompsonS	
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AS/A Level Business .

Teaching: Sep 2015 • Reference Codes 

Key Documents

Overview

Past Papers / Mark Schemes

Resources

Training

Contacts

Digital Resources

Books

Online Exam Review



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Exam Walk Throughs

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Knowledge Organisers

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Blended Learning

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Student Information

Welcome to the Whitchurch High School Student information page, please find useful links below:



Microsoft Teams

At Whitchurch High School we use Microsoft Teams to share work and set assignments. If you have not already downloaded Microsoft Teams to your device, it will be important to do so. Click the image for assistance in downloading. You will need to log in using your full school email address and password. If you cannot remember your password, or it has expired please email helpdesk@whitchurch.cardiff.sch.uk who will reset it for you, alternatively ask your ICT teacher or Librarian.





How can parents/carers help?

Encourage your son/daughter to:

- Plan out their time and their working week including study periods
- Find out any key deadline dates – PPE's, coursework
- Plan how they will meet work deadlines
- Organise work into folders
- Develop study skills that work for them
- Prioritise schoolwork



How can parents/carers help?

Encourage routines and support the 6th form Progress team with attendance

- Attendance to all compulsory sessions:
- Subject lessons
- Wellbeing Tutorials
- Assemblies
- Pathways days (summer term)



How can parents/carers help?

Communication

- Emails
- Subject teachers
- Sims
- Intouch
- Wellbeing

Attendance

A **parent/carer** must inform us of any absence. Please call the Main School number- 02920 629 700- and listen for the option for Sixth Form Absence

We understand you may have concerns regarding the attendance shown on SIMS Parent App. Unfortunately, the App does not show Sixth Form attendance accurately due to 'free' study periods.

Where there are attendance concerns, we will contact students and parents to discuss. If you have any concerns or questions with regard to Sixth Form attendance, please contact Nicola Loudon or Naomi Williams.



EMA

Education Maintenance Allowance

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is a weekly payment of £40 to help 16 to 18 year olds with the costs of further education.

Payments are made every 2 weeks as long as you meet your school or college's attendance requirements.

www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/ema

Wellbeing

Where to access Support

Naomi Williams

WilliamsN@whitchurch.cardiff.sch.uk

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Lauren Armstrong

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Sixth Form Pastoral Office- Upstairs in
the Study Area

Sixth Form Wellbeing Room



How can we support?

Everyday worries and concerns

Organisation

Exam/subject related stress- identifying pressure points

Advice/signposting/ referrals



Study Skills

General wellbeing- sleep, timekeeping, prioritising

Friendships and relationships

Future Pathways

Support following illness/absence

Wellbeing Support

- Transition
- Wellbeing sessions
- Wellbeing drop in
- SKODEL
- School Counsellor
- THRIVE
- CAVDAS
- SHOT
- Family Gateway
- Young Carers
- Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Service - Silvercloud/Platform Hangout



How can parents/carers help?

Supporting pathways

- Using Unifrog, UCAS and Careers Wales to research pathway options
- Embracing opportunities for volunteering to develop skills
- Seeking work experience if relevant
- Seek advice

UCAS

Universities and Colleges
Admissions Service

University Admission



Gyrfa Cymru
Careers Wales

unifrog

Key dates for this term

Student Tracking and Review

Year 12

16th October – Minimum Expected Grades & Student Target Setting

19th October – Progress Evening 1 (online)

12th December – Progress Checkpoint 1 & Review

Year 13

23rd October – Progress Checkpoint 1 & Review

9th November – Progress Evening 1 (online)

PPE's: 29th January-February 9th 2024

Independent Learning / Top Tips

- Encourage your son/daughter to manage their own learning
- To get into a routine
- Stay in school
- Identify what works for them
- Keep track of deadlines
- React to Progress grades and feedback
- Think about the future - Plan / research for Higher Education and careers

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