



ST CRISPIN'S – A SPECIALIST SCHOOL IN MATHS, COMPUTING & LEADERSHIP



Excellence for all

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased that your son/daughter has decided to join the Sixth Form at St Crispin's School and we want to continue to work closely with you to ensure that he/she reaches his/her full potential.

Consequently we have arranged an Informal Parents Evening on Thursday 20th September at 7 p.m. in the Drama Studio for you to find out more about our expectations of Sixth Form students and ask any questions you may still have about how we can work together.

Further to this information we have produced some important details outlined below which you should find useful:

Student timetable – this is for your information so that we can work together to monitor student attendance. A hard copy of this can be requested through your son/daughter at the school. New to your son/daughter's timetable in the Sixth Form is the Extended Project Qualification which replaces General Studies.

Extended Project

The AQA Level 3 EPQ is a well respected qualification which is worth up to 70 UCAS (Universities and College Admissions Service) points. The project enables the students to develop valuable independent learning, including research and report writing skills which prepares them for a degree course or employment.

Sixth Form Contract – In the first few days of term the Sixth Form students sign the Sixth Form Contract which commits them to our expectations of them. This outlines the practical procedures of the Sixth Form and their responsibilities. As you are aware St Crispin's Sixth Form requires your son/daughter to wear a uniform and in so doing set an example to members of lower school.

Uniform

The full details of the uniform requirements can also be found in the student diary. We would particularly like to ask for your help in maintaining standards of dress. Currently the same girls are wearing inappropriately short skirts or even shorts! The rule of thumb should be that were their skirts thought to be too short to be worn as business dress in an office environment then they are too short. We would hate to have to ask students to return home to change into more appropriate clothing as this leads to lost learning which has a negative impact.

Year 13 / A2 Entry Requirements

It is worth pointing out at this point that progression from Year 12 into Year 13 is not an automatic right; instead it must be earned by students with the achievement of at least a grade D at AS in at least 3 of the 4 subjects on your son/daughter's timetable. Students in Year 13 study a minimum of 3 A2 qualifications. The A2 qualification is more academically challenging than the AS; studies have shown that students are unlikely to be successful at A2 if they fail to meet the entry level requirement.

We look forward to working closely together in the future. As in lower school the relationships between the students the tutor and the parent are important. The Sixth Form Team is in general made up of the most experienced teachers and tutors in the school.

There is a very positive, purposeful ethos amongst students in the Sixth Form here at St Crispin's which we hope your son/daughter will appreciate and will make a contribution towards our continued success.

Yours sincerely,

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