

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...





 As in Chemistry, Maths, Physics
 Mechanical Engineering at the University of Southampton

• **As** in Business Studies, PE, Economics Sports Management at the University of Loughborough

**A\*** in Maths and **As** in Further Maths and Physics Mathematics at the University of York.

- As in Maths and Economics and B in Business Studies Finance at Queen Mary, University of London.
- **A** in Geography, **B**s in History and Politics and **A\*** in EPQ. History at Queen Mary, University of London.
- A\* in Art, A in Religious Education, B in English Fine Art at Norwich University of the Arts.
- A\* in Art, A in French, **Distinction**\* in Computer





## What does the Sixth Form involve?

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



### What are the school's expectations of students?

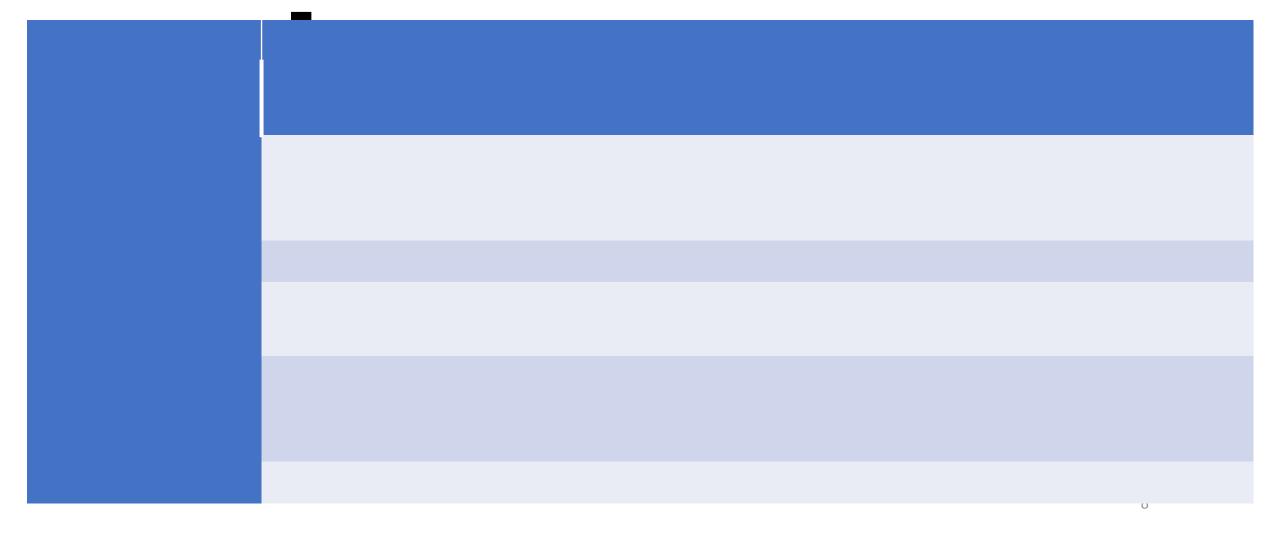
Professional environment

Atmosphere conducive to study

Setting their own expectations high

Seeking to make a valuable contribution inside and outside the classroom

**Raising aspirations** 



Pathway	UCAS	Open	Professional
Aspect of study			
UCAS	Compulsory	Optional	Not required
Employability	Employability Conference	Employability Conference Em	ployability Confe.F2(?)-1 ( ) <b>] E</b> N



# Pastoral and Safeguarding Curriculum and Personal Tutor

Sessions		
	(sending emails, mobile phone usage, appropriate social media usage, critical thinking- quality of info, use of library, sixth form ethoscommunity and inclusion)	( UCAS, tweets, linkedin, privacy, impact on work, personal brand, followers- e.g edutwitter, what are you watching?, )
	(driving, payslips, savings, social, contracts)	(credit, debit, credit score, shared living arrangements, budgeting-rent, direct debit)
	(Aspirations Week, careers, Unifrog sign up, organising work, weekly plan, managing stress)	(mock feedback, failing forwards/resilience, VESPA, revision techniques, managing stress, how to be successful independence)
	, (ec card,safety at festivals, consent, sexual health, substance risks, spiking, managing conflict/ abusive relationships, addiction)	(how to check your body, wellbeing and habits, living away from home, social, mental and physical, understanding your audience, cultural blending)
	(inclusion, county lines, radicalisation, money mules and cyber crime)	
	(inclusion policies, diversity in the work-place, your rights and respecting others, neurodiversity, racial diversity, LGBTQ)	

## Why is Year 12 so important?

Year 12 exam grades always have a significant bearing on A Level grades (most alAar 2



## 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



## What is the style of A Level 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



## How much work should students expect?

- 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 hours in total



#### How do students balance so much in so little time?



## How do students excel in their subjects?

- Use private study time wisely wasting an hour is the same as truanting a lesson!
- Investigate and research your subject beyond the A Level syllabus
- Act on teachers' feedback
- Challenge yourself with each piece of work redoing work is now standard practice at Sweyne Park
- Ensure a sensible balance between subjects



#### 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.



# 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



Support school expectations: learner agreement, uniform policy, acceptable ICT usage



Date	Year 12	Year 13	
September 29th	Attitude to Learning Grades	UCAS Subject References	
20 <sup>th</sup> September	Wednesday 1-3pm Kent university Life at u	ini and student finance	
21 <sup>st</sup> September	Welcome to Year 12 evening 6.00pm (students and parents)		
26 <sup>th</sup> September	Open Evening		
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Wednesday 1-3pm Supra-curricular and academic resources	optional	
2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Year 12 Target Setting Meetings (2 weeks in lessons)		
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Deadline for Applying for positions of responsibility		
4 <sup>th</sup> October	Curriculum Enrichment sign up		
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Early Applicant Group Identified	EPQ Deadline	
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Sixth Form Open Evening		
10 <sup>th</sup> November		13.1 Deadline, UCAS deadline, Predi -0 0 9 (em)-1.5 (b)-73-(UC)0.6 (Ain	

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## What happens when in the Sixth Form?

**February** Aspirations Week

March 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?

June UCAS process begins

**UCAS Higher Education Conference** 

Internal exams and mock results

July Oxbridge and Medics' Conference

**Employability Conference** 

Mock exams

12.3 Attitude to Learning and Teacher Assessed Grade

