

20 October 2021

Dear Parent or Carer,

RE: Sixth Form Open Evening

We are delighted to invite you and your child to our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 4 November 2021 so that we can provide you with the opportunity to explore the range of courses available to your child at our highly successful Sixth Form. You will also be provided with important information and dates relating to your child's GCSE courses on the same evening.

We are pleased to inform you that we will be holding this event in person. We have, however, had to put in place some mitigations as part of our Covid Risk Assessment and this is outlined in the information below.

The event will run between 6.00 pm and 8.00 pm and, to avoid large gatherings, will operate on a carousel format; ensuring that there are plenty of opportunities to visit subject areas to view A Level courses and meet our departmental staff, who will also be available to answer any queries you may have about their courses.

The table below outlines how the evening will operate with groups arranged alphabetically by surname. In this format there will be two presentations (for all parents and students) and three opportunities to visit subject areas as outlined below:

- Group 1 – Surnames A-C
- Group 2 – Surnames D-H
- Group 3 – Surnames I-M
- Group 4 – Surnames N-S
- Group 5 – Surnames T-Z

Presentation 1: Darren Andrews (Head of Sixth Form) 'Welcome to the Sixth Form' in **North Hall**

Presentation 2: Vicky Loftus (Deputy Headteacher) 'Achieving GCSE Success' in **East Hall**

Subject Fair 1: Departmental Teams - **Sixth Form Common Room**

Subject Fair 2: Departmental Teams – **North Building**

Subject Fair 3: Departmental Teams – **Performing Arts Building**

Time	Welcome to the Sixth Form	Subject fair 1	Achieving GCSE Success	Subject fair 2	Subject fair 3
6.00 pm	Group 1	Group 5	Group 4	Group 3	Group 2
6.20 pm	Group 2	Group 1	Group 5	Group 4	Group 3
6.40 pm	Group 3	Group 2	Group 1	Group 5	Group 4
7.00 pm	Group 4	Group 3	Group 2	Group 1	Group 5
7.20 pm	Group 5	Group 4	Group 3	Group 2	Group 1

Each group will have approximately twenty minutes in each location with time to explore a range of subject areas in each of the subject fairs. If there isn't a subject you are interested in finding out about in the subject fair you are in during a particular time slot, there will also be an opportunity to peruse recommended revision guides to support students with their independent learning and a stall led by our Sixth Form Student Union. Here you can find out about life as a Sixth Form student and the range of enrichment activities our Sixth Form offers.

There also will be an additional presentation from 5.40 - 5.55 pm in regard to our highly successful "Medsoc" programme which offers bespoke support for students considering applying for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine. If you wish to attend this, please arrive at North Hall for 5.40 pm.

Mrs Loftus' talk in East Hall will provide important information regarding upcoming dates for students and it will include tips and advice about how you can best support your child through their final GCSE year.

Our Director of SEND, Mrs Warren, will also be available on the evening. If you wish to book an appointment to see her to discuss your child's SEND provision, please book an appointment using the following link: <https://www.parents-booking.co.uk/driffieldschool>

The evening is an exciting opportunity to start thinking about the future and to ask any questions that you may have about your child's GCSEs and their options beyond these. We do hope that you are able to attend and we look forward to working with you and your child throughout the rest of Key Stage 4 and into Key Stage 5.

Yours faithfully,



Mr D Andrews
Head of Sixth Form



Mrs V Loftus
Deputy Headteacher