

Supporting your child through post 16

Linear Exams

- All A levels will be changing to linear exams. All subjects but maths and media have already changed.
- This means that even though students will take a summer exam in their first year, they carry on with the A level in year 2. The year 13 students will have to sit exams in the summer that cover year 1 and 2, to achieve their A level .
- The curriculum this year for year 12, looks slightly different, each student will take three subjects plus 1 enrichment subject (EPQ, IFS, CCF, or core maths)

Employability

- We want to prepare students for the world of work whether that is a part time job whilst at university/sixth form or employment at the end of year 13, we do this by:
 - Dress code
 - Pixl edge
 - Work experience
 - CV writing and personal statement writing
 - Leadership roles within Sixth form

Sixth form support and intervention

DTT - Smiths proforma

My PiXL Smith Pro-forma				the PiXL _{club} partners in excellence	
Name:	Chloe Brennan	Subject:	Maths	Professional Prediction	C
Diagnosis					
This is the knowledge I need to secure or boost my grade:					
1	Find the volume and surface area of a prism				
2	Draw an angle bisector and perpendicular bisectors				
3	Know your interior and exterior angle properties of shapes				
4	Expand and simplify algebraic brackets				
5	Understand the 3 rules of bearings and use them to solve problems				
6	Find the arc length or area of a sector of a circle				
7	Probability from a table				
Therapy					
This is where, when and with who I am going to secure this knowledge:					
Attend maths higher support with Mr Puckey on a Monday night. Complete additional work set and review with class teacher. Go through revision guide and workbook provided.					
Testing					
This is when I will show that I have secured this knowledge:					
Mock exam paper aim for good C in Feb 2016					

Changes to the UCAS tariffs

BTEC

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BTEC qualifications (QCF) (Suite of qualifications known as Nationals)

Grade					Tariff points
Extended Diploma	Diploma	90 credit Diploma	Subsidiary Diploma	Certificate	
D*D*D*					420
D*D*D					400
D*DD					380
DDD					360
DDM					320
DMM	D*D*				280
	D*D				260
MMM	DD				240
		D*D*			210
MMP	DM	D*D			200
		DD			180
MPP	MM	DM			160
			D*		140
PPP	MP	MM	D		120
		MP			100
	PP		M		80
				D*	70
		PP		D	60
			P	M	40
				P	20

A Level points

Qualification and Grade	Current Tariff	New Tariff
A level grade A*	140	56
A level grade A	120	48
A level grade B	100	40
A level grade C	80	32
A level grade D	60	24
A level grade E	40	16

AS and EPQ points

Grade	A-level points	AS-level points	Extended Project Qualification points
A*	56	N/A	28
A	48	20	24
B	40	16	20
C	32	12	16
D	24	8	12
E	16	4	8

Example offers	Current Tariff points total	New tariff points
Three A levels at grade ABB	320	128

Ucas website

- Ucas newsletter for parents <http://web.ucas.com/parents-signup>
- Ucas help for parents application video
<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/getting-started/ucas-undergraduate-parents-and-guardians>

Apprenticeship websites

- <https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships>
- <http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/apprenticeships-223>
- <http://www.getingofar.gov.uk/>

Choices after post 16

- At the end of year 12 we will start their university application so its not too early to go on open days, if you go to university websites they will say when they are.
- We have a large stock of university prospectus which students can look through for ideas.
- We will have universities in to talk to students termly and local business offering apprenticeships.
- Students will attend master classes at university.
- We have links with local companies to help student find higher apprenticeships.

How can you help - Parents AS Partners

- Follow Dukeries6thform on twitter for updates
- Ask about the courses your child is doing
- You know your child best so email or call, us if you have any concerns, we have a counsellor on site that can help, we can put intervention plans in place.
- M.hackett@dukeries.attrust.org.uk or ring 01623 860545 ext 287 or 187
- Offer to test your child using flashcards they make at school
- Proof read essays to help with SPAG
- Make sure your child is not working too many hours we recommend no more than 10 hours paid employment per week and less during exam time.
- Try to encourage them to exercise, eat well and sleep enough (I know that's very hard at times!)
- Just listen and let them moan about things to get them off their chest.
- We are happy to run evenings for parents on topics you would like to know about, please feel free to fill in anything you would like more information about and we will try to support you.