

Welcome to Sandringham Sixth Form

Year 13 Parents' Information Evening 2023

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Focus of the evening

1. Key Sixth Form details
2. Exams
3. Futures



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Destinations 2023

Destination	Number of students	Percentage of cohort
University	177	81
Russell group university	88	40
Oxbridge	5	2
Degree level apprenticeship	15	7
Conservatoire	1	0
Gap year	22	10
Employment	4	2



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SIXTH FORM TEAM



Miss Pitsillis

Head of Sixth Form



Miss Potter

Performance Director

Year 12



Miss Clifford

Performance Director

Year 13



Mrs Boost

Sixth Form Learning and
Employability Coach



Miss Cooke

Sixth Form
Learning Mentor



Mrs Coombs

Sixth Form
Attendance Officer



Ms Griffiths Plunkett

Sixth Form
Enrichment Tutor



Mrs Grubb

Sixth Form
Manager



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Sixth Form Expectations

- Students must attend all timetabled lessons and study sessions.
- In study sessions, students must register and work in the assigned room on their timetables - quiet, silent or collaborative study.
- Students have one hour of **Personal Development** on their timetables. This is a compulsory hour, and students are currently working on their UCAS applications in this time.
- Students may leave site at lunch and do not need to sign in or out (we take another register session 5)
- If students are absent, a parent/carer must call the absence line.



Tutor time

The tutor is the first port of call for the students and for many will be their trusted adult.

- Tutor time is **compulsory** and students must attend **every day**, aside from Thursdays.
- This session is also an important opportunity for tutors to build positive working relationships with the students.
- Tutor time also forms part of the **Personal Development curriculum** at Sandringham.

<i>Monday</i>	Weekly Bulletin
<i>Tuesday</i>	Whole School Assembly
<i>Wednesday</i>	UCAS
<i>Thursday</i>	N/A
<i>Friday</i>	UCAS



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16-19 Bursary

- Students can re-apply for a contribution from the bursary fund in Y13.
- Forms can be collected from S10, and submitted to a member of the sixth form team.
- Students are provided with laptops and some money is paid monthly to buy resources, uniform and other equipment.
- Students in receipt of the bursary will also be eligible for a contribution towards compulsory curriculum trips.



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Part-time work

- Develops independence, confidence and aspiration
- Working more than 8 hours per week during school time will have an adverse effect on final results



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How to achieve success in Year 13

- Attendance/punctuality (please call absence line to let us know of any illness/appointments)
- Desire to succeed
- **Efficient use of study sessions** – self regulation
- Background reading and research
- **Reviewing** content
- Being well organised in terms of time (schoolwork, homework, social life, part-time work)
- Asking for advice/help and acting upon it



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2. Trial exams

- 8th-19th January 2024
- Students will be on study leave, only attending school to sit their exams
- These exams will provide students with a clear indication of the progress they have made, as well as helping to inform their final revision plans



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Summer exams

- Late May - late June
- Access arrangements
- Clashes on summer timetable
- Awareness of communications from exams officer, Mrs Headland
- Results day **15th August** (not yet confirmed) - we cannot email results, must be in school for help!
- Students should be reviewing and learning content now, not leaving revision until the end.



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3. Futures

University applications:

- Should now be well underway with UCAS applications, including personal statements. Students will be undertaking an ELD next week which is dedicated to supporting them with their applications.
- Students are now aware of which member of staff will be supporting them with their personal statements.
- Internal deadlines; **29th September** for Oxbridge/Medicine/Vet/Dentistry, **20th October** for all others.
- Tutors always available for help and advice, as well as 6th form team.



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Applying - Key Facts

1. Make up to **5 choices**, unless applying to Oxbridge and/or applying for medicine, veterinary medicine/science, dentistry – then it's **4 choices**
2. Applying **costs** £27.50 for up to 5 choices
3. Universities **can't see** other choices when you apply



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Choosing - Key Facts

1. Students should apply to courses whose entry requirements differ. For example, a student with predicted grades of ABB might apply to the following:
 - AAA
 - AAB
 - ABB
 - ABB
 - BBB
2. Once offers have been received, students choose a first choice and an insurance choice, of which the entry requirements should be different.



Predicted grades

- UCAS states that predicted grades should be “aspirational but achievable” and that they are ‘data-driven’.
- Grades are based on the student’s performance during their first year of A level study.
- Policy is shared with students, conversations will be with students in the first instance

UCAS



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Predicted grades

- Students can talk to us if they would like to discuss a Predicted Grade in light of applications that they are making.
- Enter a proposed change on the Google Form sent to them.
- Each appeal will be reviewed on an individual basis after consultation with staff.
- Students should not approach individual subject teachers either verbally or via email, they should instead speak to a member of the sixth form team.



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Futures - other pathways

- Apprenticeships - full programme including mock interviews and one-to-one support.
- Further education eg Oaklands/ West Herts, including foundation degrees.
- Personalised support to look at applications, includes CV and mock interviews.



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Support

- Tutor - Form times & Personal development sessions
- Subject Staff
- Learning Mentors - Study sessions
- PD & Head of Sixth Form

Students are welcome to talk to any member of staff at any point, should they need to.



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Timeline of key dates

Wednesday 27th September: ELD 1 - UCAS & personal statements

Thursday 9th November: First academic report issued

Tuesday 14th November: PTC

Wednesday 22nd/Thursday 23rd November: PRD

8th-19th January 2024: Trial exams



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