



Dear Y11 Students and Parents

May 2017

Effective Transition from Year 11 to Sixth Form

As you will be aware from previous communications we are running a Sixth Form Transition Programme for Y11 students on Monday 3 July and Tuesday 4 July after the GCSE exams are completed.

We have found that this Programme gives the Y11 students an excellent start to bridging the considerable gap between GCSE work and the far more demanding A Level and BTEC Level 3 work. The Programme is aimed at consolidating existing knowledge and acquiring new core skills for each of the student's chosen Sixth Form subjects. It is also an opportunity for students who are still unsure about subject choices to spend more time sampling subjects they are considering to help them with finalising their choices.

The Programme will involve:

- one lesson for each of the student's chosen subjects;
- additional tasks to complete independently at home over the summer break to give a good start in September

Students who are still unsure of which subjects to take next year are encouraged to attend study sessions in all subjects they are considering. Details of the specific subject study days are on the schedule overleaf together with domestic arrangements.

It is expected that in most cases students will attend all their transition sessions. However if a student cannot attend a study day because of, for example, a pre-booked holiday, then arrangements can be made to post the independent study work to them so that this can be attempted. This should be communicated directly to the relevant Subject Leader in advance.

In all cases it is crucial that ONE copy is completed and returned to me or Mrs Arlott in the Sixth Form Centre ASAP by Friday 19 May so that we know how many students to cater for in each session. The other copy should be kept for your information.

If you have any queries regarding the Transition Programme please contact Mrs Arlott or myself on 01531 631012 ext 204/370. Alternatively email to: t.arlott@jmhs.hereford.sch.uk or m.hawksworth@jmhs.hereford.sch.uk

We wish you every success in your forthcoming GCSE exams.

Yours sincerely

Mark Hawksworth

Head of Sixth Form / Assistant Headteacher

SIXTH FORM TRANSITION PROGRAMME TIMETABLE

*There are two copies of this sheet. Please keep one for reference
AND RETURN ONE WITH A TICK IN EACH BOX FOR SESSIONS YOU WILL ATTEND
to Mr Hawksworth / Mrs Arlott in the Sixth Form Centre **BY FRIDAY 19 MAY.***

Name of Student:	
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MONDAY 3 JULY								
P1 08.55		P2 09.55		P3 11.10		P4 12.10		P5 2.15
Business		Accounting		Biology		Computer Studies		Teambuilding activities All students
English Literature		Art		Physics		Spanish		
Further Maths		History		Photography		Geography		
French		Travel & Tourism				Health & Social Care		
Psychology						PE		

TUESDAY 4 JULY				
P1 08.55		P2 09.55		P3 11.10
Chemistry		Drama		Maths Algebra Test (see note below)
Dance		ICT		
German		Maths		
Graphics		Music		
Psychology				

Information:

- Students should arrive equipped with writing materials as appropriate to the subject.
- Maths - students will be asked to sit a one hour algebra paper to assess their suitability for A-level Mathematics.
- Brunch is 10.55 – 11.10 & lunch is 1.10 – 2.15.
- For Health & Safety, students will need to sign in and out in the Sixth Form Centre.
- At the end of their study, on each day, students are free to leave or use the Sixth Form Private Study or social facilities if they wish.
- A more detailed timetable will be available for students to collect on their first Transition day, showing timings of sessions, teacher and class room.
- If you have any queries, please ring or email Mr Hawksworth, Head of Sixth Form: 01531 638451 or m.hawksworth@jmhs.hereford.sch.uk