

19th July 2023

Dear prospective Year 12 Parents, Carers and students,

Re: Results Day, Sixth Form Enrolment, Year 11 to 12 Subject Bridging Work and Transition to Post 16 study

Congratulations to Year 11 students for completing their GCSE exams. We would like to wish you all the best of luck for the results day in August.

I hope you and your family have a safe and restful summer break. The Sixth Form team are looking forward to welcoming you on the enrolment day. We just wanted to take this opportunity to give you some information about the enrolment day arrangements.

Results Day & Enrolment

Provisional Academic Enrolment for new Year 12 students will take place immediately following the collection of GCSE results on Thursday 24th August. Results will be available to students from 8am in the Hall.

Having opened results and presuming the entry requirements for the Sixth Form have been met, students will be able to complete the Sixth Form enrolment process in the hall. A reminder of our entry requirements can be found here:

https://www.parkhighstanmore.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1558&type=pdf

Please note that we will not be considering enrolment onto academic courses based on potential outcomes from future examinations.

To ensure the enrolment process runs smoothly, students will need to complete an online enrolment form following collection of results. This will include important documents for you to read and sign including the Sixth Form Agreement, the Student Agreement and the Permissions Agreement. This will take approximately 15 minutes to complete and computers will be provided.

As part of the enrolment process, we request students to pay a £40 enrolment fee which can be paid on the day by card. This money is used to enhance the wider 6th form experience and ensure that our students have worthwhile opportunities that go beyond the academic. This includes covering the cost of the Sixth Form Common Room amenities across the two years and contributes towards the cost of coaches during the UCAS and Post-18 pathways week in the summer term. We are also happy to accept this payment in two instalments of £20. If financing the cost of this enrolment fee is difficult then please speak to a member of the Sixth Form Team.

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Bridging Work

The next step to helping students in the transition to their Post-16 curriculum is the completion of subject specific bridging work. This has been designed to facilitate independent, self-supported progression from GCSE to A Level or BTEC Applied Science learning, in preparation for teaching in September.

This curriculum bridging work is now available to download by visiting the school website at the following link – Sixth Form > Bridging work > Year 11 to 12: https://www.parkhighstanmore.org.uk/sixthform/summer-bridging-work/year-11-into-12

Students should now be completing their subject specific Bridging Work. Bridging Work should be brought to their first lessons in the Autumn Term, where it will be reviewed and assessed by the relevant member of staff.

Our advice is that students should download and complete all bridging tasks for each of the four subjects they think they wish to study at Sixth Form. We are recommending four to help inform future decisions – students can then choose the three they wish to continue, subject to entry requirements, when they enrol.

Bridging Work is assessed during the first week of teaching in September and should be brought in full to the first lesson in the new academic year. Our criteria for assessment are as below:

Exemplary: all work completed to above the expected standard. Student able to continue in subject and a positive referral sent home.

Pass: all work completed to expected standard, student able to continue in subject.

Borderline: most work completed to expected standard, student has 7 days to amend to continue in subject.

Fail: all work well below expected standard, student has 7 days to complete new bridging task to continue in this subject.

Of course, we are confident that students who are about to embark on A-level learning will take the time to complete the work to the best of their ability in preparation for the academic commitment required of Post-16 study.

Induction

To help your son/daughter transition into study at Park High Sixth Form we have an induction morning planned for **Tuesday 5th September** at **8.30am**. Students must arrive to the Sixth Form at **8.15am** and there will be Year 13s available to guide them. The day will finish at **12.40**.

Please find a link to the dress code which must be adhered to over the course of the two years, including the upcoming induction day: https://www.parkhighstanmore.org.uk/sixthform/dresscode

Please note we will have a **September, 6-6.30pm.** It would be to hear more about the Sixth Form together to help your child succeed information on how to sign up to



Parents/Carers talk on **Thursday 14**th fantastic to see you there as a chance with a focus on how we can work with their academic study. Further attend will be sent in September.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch with myself or any member of the Sixth Form Team.

Kind regards,

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