

Year 11

Information Evening

Thursday 14 September 2023



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Year 11 Information Evening





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Mr Tansley **Assistant Headteacher Key Stage 4**

An Important Year

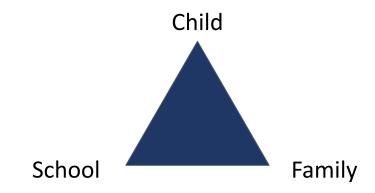


- 8 months until first exam 28 school weeks from 14/9
- Every lesson counts
- Punctuality, attendance, completing all classwork and all homework set has never been more important
- In addition, students need to start considering their post 16 destinations. This will help them to feel motivated once they have a goal to head for
- Help them create and stick to a revision schedule
- Encourage them to complete practise exam papers
- Encourage them to use revision apps/websites/books etc to extend and enrich their understanding and knowledge

Context, Support, Expectations



- Our role is to support and guide students as they embark on their adult learning pathway
- Students need to adopt a positive attitude in class and organise their home learning effectively
- They are also expected to think for themselves and ask questions
- The capacity to understand, explain, interpret and evaluate is much more important
- These skills can only be developed if students show an interest in their work and a determination to succeed



Our Curriculum Vision for Year 11



- Enabling all learners to achieve their potential
- Designed to encourage each Year 11 student to develop their intellectual and personal qualities to the full
- In Year 11 our students become more independent learners and take responsibility for their own progress
- Preparing for life post 16 it is our job to empower our young people to take charge of their future studies in a competitive world.
- Enabling students to leave Year 11 with the qualifications, skills and knowledge necessary for their next steps

School and Student Targets







St Albans Girls' School YEAR 11 TIMELINE TO SUCCESS

Key Dates:
1st & 2nd July Sixth
Form Induction
August Enrolment



NOVEMBER

Complete Mock exams

Key Dates:

8 Nov Sixth Form Open Evening 13-24 Nov Year 11 Mock Exams



DECEMBER

Key Dates:

18 Dec Application for Sixth Form Deadline

21 Dec Year 11 Mock Exam Results

17 weeks to go



JANUARY

- Reflect on Mock Exam results
- · Intervention begins

Key Dates:

13 Jan Futures Day



MARCH

FEBRUARY

Kev Dates:

Evening

Half term revision

1 Feb Year 11 Parents

28 Feb - 8 Mar Year 11

Progression Meetings

- Sixth Form Offers
- Walking talking Mock Exams

Key Dates: NFA deadlines



weeks to go



MAY

Exam revision in lessons and at home

- Half term revision
- Final push to success
- Exams begin this month

Key Dates:

May - Jun GCSE Dates





Exam revision in lessons and at home

- · 2 week Easter holiday
- Begin final revision plan

weeks

to go

Key Dates:

15 Apr Summer term begins



25

weeks

to go

OCTOBER

- · Sixth Form Assembly
- · Receive Mock Exam timetable

Key Dates:

13 Oct Sixth form subject Fair 23-27 Oct Half Term



Key Dates



Parent Voice

19 October

Year 11 Parents' Evening

1st February 2024

Sixth Form Open Evening

8 November

Year 11 Progression Meetings

28 February - 8 March

Year 11 Mock Exams

13-24 November 2023

Sixth form offers

March 2024

Application for Sixth Form deadline

Monday 18 December

Summer GCSE Dates

May - June 2024

Year 11 Mock Exam Results

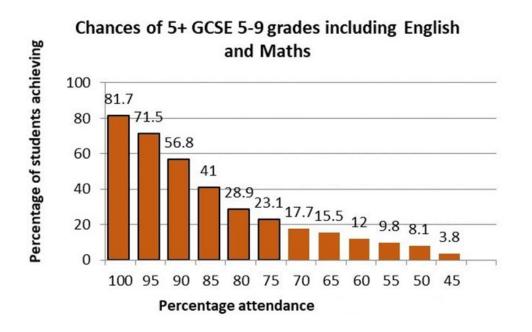
21 December 2023



Miss Lambert Deputy Headteacher



Attendance





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Attendance



EDUCATION + ATTENDANCE + EFFORT = ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

FACT: More time in school means more time to learn, develop, grow and time

to become the very best you!

FACT: Low attendance means drastically reducing life chances!

EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE

On target for achieving **EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE Action:** Daily Attendance and Absence monitoring

OMISSED LESSONS

Form Tutor review and discussion and Director of Learning attendance monitoring

Action: Letter 1 sent to parents/carers about attendance concerns

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Attendance





100 MISSED LESSONS

Director of Learning attendance meeting and Head of Key Stage attendance monitoring

<u>Action</u>: Letters 1 & 2 sent to parents/carers informing of attendance meeting. Letter 3 sent outlining actions from meeting. Student meeting with Director of Learning or Assistant Director of Learning outlining targets

150 MISSED LESSONS

Local Authority Monitoring

<u>Action</u>: Head of Key Stage attendance meeting with parents/carers and Letter 4 summary of agreed actions to improve attendance and potential fine

200 MISSED LESSONS

Local Authority <u>ACTION</u>. Attendance Officer involvement <u>Action</u>: Letter 5 sent to parents/carers warning of Fixed Penalty Notice following 15 sessions of absence. Once reached, a Fixed Penalty Notice will be issued to the Local Authority

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Y11 Mocks and Exam Wellbeing



Mocks: w/c 13th November & 20th November

- -Every subject your child studies there will be at least x1 mock undertaken in exam conditions
- They will be full papers to give students the best experience
- -Students will receive individual exam timetables prior to this period

Exam Wellbeing

- -Assemblies run prior to the mock period
- -Exam boards have exam wellbeing information on their website. We recommend <u>Pearson- Exam</u> <u>Wellbeing Portal</u>
- -Students will be offered opportunity to attend Exam Wellbeing sessions: 3 sessions lead by Wellbeing advisors at STAGS
- -Mind , Childline and Youngminds all have exam anxiety information on their websites too





Miss Fotheringham **Director of Learning** Year 11

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Year 11 Form Tutors

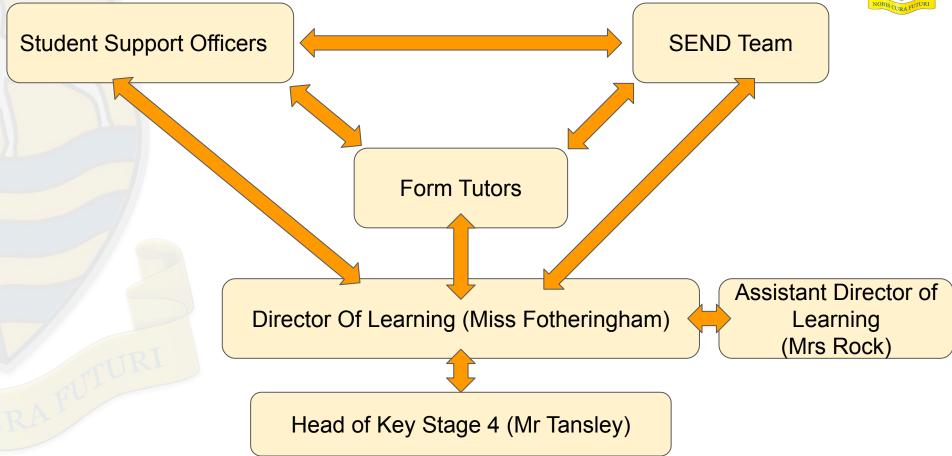


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Year 11 Pastoral & Educational Support Structure





Home Learning



Maths, English, Science:

2 Home Learning activities per week

Options Subjects:

1 Home Learning activity per week

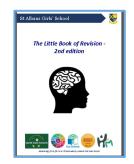


Each Home Learning activity should be no longer than 60 minutes

Revision



- Mock exam weeks: 13th 24th November -Exam timetables will be sent individually via edulink
- Subject teachers will share mock exam content ahead of October half term
- Use mocks as an opportunity to identity areas to focus on moving forward
- There will be a range of in school opportunities to support revision





Preparation is Key







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Additional Opportunities This Year



- Year 11 prefect opportunities
- Yearbook and Hoodies and last day of school celebration 2 May
- Public Examinations finish on Friday 21
 June
- Year 11 Prom
- Year 11 Transition Trip 27-29 June





Mr Hughes

Associate Assistant Headteacher

Data & Assessment

Assessment & Reporting 2023-2024



- 2 reports over the course of the academic year
- **Attitude to Learning** grade 1 5
- **★ MLO GCSE grade** 9 1
- **Praise** comment
- **Progress** comment
- ★ Form Tutor comment once a year just before parents evening
- DOL Year Group summary comment on each report.

Year	Report 1	Parents' Evening	NEA results to students	Report 2	External Exams
11	21st December 23	1st February 24	20th March 24	28th March 24	May - June 24

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Blended Learning



Student responsibility for devices to support best practice for Blended Learning.

- 1. **Charge** your device at night so that batteries last all day
- 2. **Bring** your device to all lessons
- 3. Use and **look after** your device responsibly at all times
- 4. Adhere to all guidance and instructions about **online safety**
- Follow these links for guidance on how to connect to Wifi on a <u>Chromebook</u>, <u>Windows Device</u>, <u>Apple</u> and <u>Devices not</u> <u>able to connect</u>
- 6. **Follow instructions** when asked for <u>device up/open</u> and <u>device down/closed</u> during lessons
- 7. Only use devices as instructed in lesson time
- 8. **Misusing** your device or **forgetting** your device will result in a consequence, as it is part of your required equipment.





Miss Hall Curriculum Leader for

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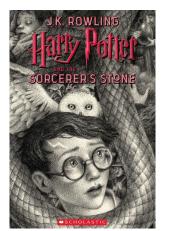
English

Reading and GCSE success



There is a <u>significant</u> correlation between student reading ability and performance across all subjects at GCSE, which is just as strong in maths and science based subjects as it is in English.





There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island.

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Reading top tips for students



- Read newspaper articles (this could be in the form of physical newspapers, or reading articles online.) Talk to peers/family about these articles.
- Re-read set texts and make sure they fully understand the content.
- Research the context of the time for given texts (*An Inspector Calls, etc*).
- Read literature for pleasure. Create a glossary with new words whilst reading. Ask the librarians for recommendations of texts.
- Audiobooks this is **not** cheating!
- Book vending machine! (Not just for KS3!)





English Overview





Two GCSEs (AQA):

- English Language 2 examination papers
- English Literature 2 examination papers
- Spoken Language Endorsement

English Language



Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing

What's assessed Section A: Reading

one literature fiction text

Section B: Writing

descriptive or narrative writing

Assessed

- •written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes
- •80 marks
- •50% of GCSE

Questions

Reading (40 marks) (25%)- one single text

- •1 short form question (1 x 4 marks)
- •2 longer form questions (2 x 8 marks)
- •1 extended question (1 x 20 marks)

Writing (40 marks) (25%)

•1 extended writing question (24 marks for content, 16 marks for technical accuracy)

Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives

What's assessed

Section A: Reading

one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text

Section B: Writing

writing to present a viewpoint

Assessed

- •written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes
- •80 marks
- •50% of GCSE

Questions

Reading (40 marks) (25%) – two linked texts

- •1 short form question (1 x 4 marks)
- •2 longer form questions (1 x 8, 1 x 12 marks)
- •1 extended question (1 x 16 marks)

Writing (40 marks) (25%)

•1 extended writing question (24 marks for content, 16 marks for technical accuracy)

English Literature



Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel

What's assessed

- Shakespeare's plays
- •19th Century novel

How it's assessed

- •written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes
- •64 marks
- •40% of GCSE

Questions

Section A Shakespeare: students will answer one question on their play of choice. They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the play and then to write about the play as a whole.

Section B The 19th-century novel: students will answer one question on their novel of choice. They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the novel and then to write about the novel as a whole.

Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry

What's assessed

- Modern prose or drama texts
- The poetry anthology
- Unseen poetry

How it's assessed

- •written exam: 2 hour 15 minutes
- •96 marks
- •60% of GCSE

Questions

Section A Modern texts: students will answer one essay question from a choice of two on their studied modern prose or drama text.

Section B Poetry: students will answer one comparative question on one named poem printed on the paper and one other poem from their chosen anthology cluster. **Section C Unseen poetry:** Students will answer one question on one unseen poem and one question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem.

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Year 10	Modern Text: An Inspector Calls	19th Century Fiction: A Christmas Carol	Power and Conflict Poetry	Unseen Poetry	Reading and Writing Non-Fiction	Spoken Language	
Year 11	Shakespeare	Reading and Writin Non-Fiction	Reading and Writing Fiction	Revi	sion	GCSEs SETNISH	
Year 12	Chaucer + Dystopian Literature	Chaucer + Dystopian Literature	Hamlet + The Duchess of Malfi			Dystopian Unseen	
Year 13	World War CW + Dystopian Literature	Atonement CW + Dystopian Literature	Coursework completion	Revi	sion	A-levels	

English Curriculum Plan



- Autumn 1: Shakespeare (In class mock)
- Autumn 2: Language Paper 2 (Official November Mock)
- Spring 1: Language Paper 1 (In Class mock)
- Both courses completed by March
- Extensive in class revision
- Walk-through of papers both in class and pre-recorded via Loom which will also be sent home

Tips and Advice



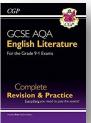
English Study Support: Every Wednesday at lunchtime

Use CGP revision guides to consolidate previous learning

Encouraged to speak to teachers

Review resources on Google Classroom and use our

Massolit subscription on RM Unify









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GCSE Maths Course and Assessment Information



Exam board: Pearson Edexcel

Two tiers of entry: Foundation (5-1) and Higher (9-4)

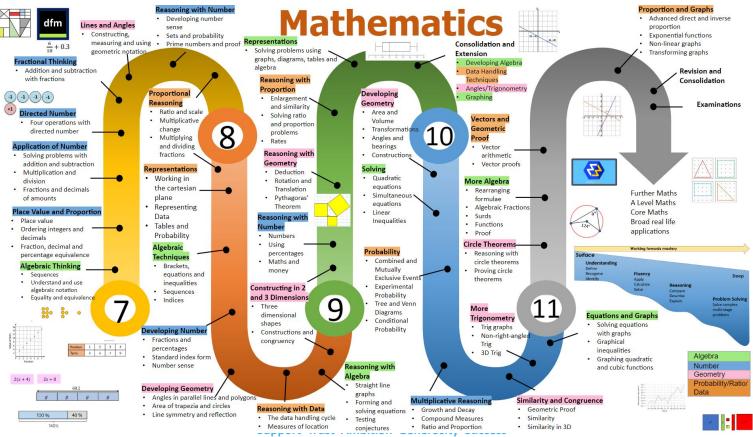
7 hours classroom learning per fortnight

Three equally weighted 1.5 hour exams at the end of the course (1 non-calculator) determine the final grade

No coursework

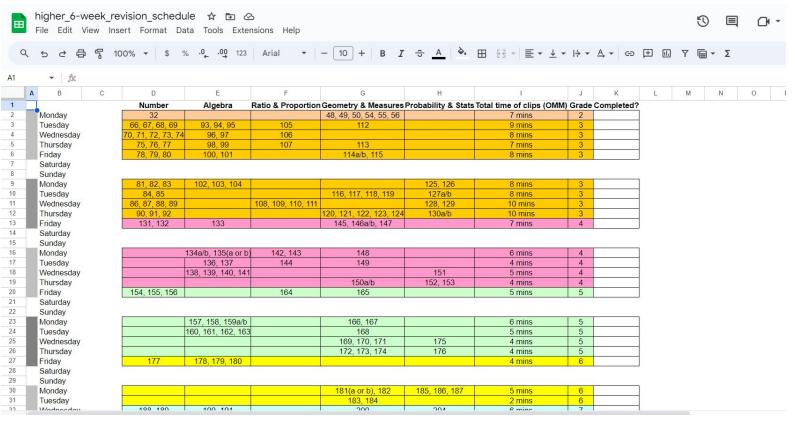
Maths Overview





Preparation for Exams





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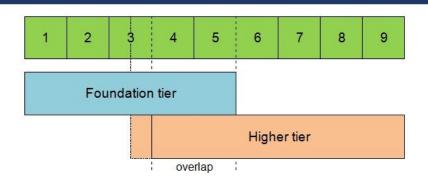
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2	71	Add and Subtract Mixed Numbers	33% ★	25	2	-	12	Tested Once Only
2	78	Product of Prime Factors	-	-	-	-	67% ★	Tested Once Only
2	79	Simple HCF	-	100% ★	-	-	-	Tested Once Only
3	66	Decimal Multiplication	100% ★	-	-	-	-	Tested Once Only
3	67	Dividing by a Decimal	67% ★	-	ē	-	-	Tested Once Only
3	131	Simple Index Form	0% ★	ō	ā	ā	5	Tested Once Only
3	188	Negative Indices	100% ★	2	~	2	50% ★	Investigate your progress
3	95	Substitution with Negatives	-	-7	-	100% ★	14	Tested Once Only
3	NA	Errors on Data Representations	;=	-4	-	50% ★	-	Tested Once Only
3	138	Inequalities and the Number Line		100% ★	-	-	-	Tested Once Only
4	108	percentage increase	75% 🖈	-	-	-	-	Tested Once

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Distribution of Content - Higher and Foundation





Higher Content

Key Points:

Rates of Change,

Statistics and

Probability,

Foundation Content

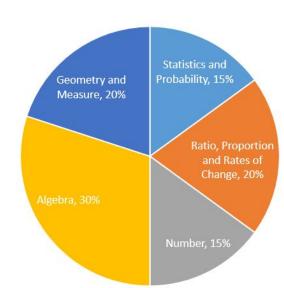
Geometry and

Measure, 15%

- Nationally c. 45/55 split
- Students with low results on the Higher Paper are in danger of getting a U
- Students in the Grade 3-5 range often benefit from the reduced curriculum and more accessible exams for Foundation

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Putting the Exams in Context



	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Higher Grade Boundary	83%	70%	57%	45%	33%	22%			
Foundation Grade Boundary					77%	62%	46%	30%	15%
National Outcomes (2019)	4%	7%	10%	12%	18%	21%	13%	9%	5%

Higher tier - around 45% in the final exams puts students in the top third nationally; required for STEM A Levels

Foundation tier - appropriate for many students and prepares for future numeracy requirements

Positive encouragement and motivation is key

Support available inside and outside the classroom - use it!

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GCSE Science Overview



Combined Science Trilogy -AQA

- 2 Science GCSEs
- All 3 sciences studied
- 2 exams per subject (1hr15)

Separate Sciences - AQA (Triple)

- 1 GCSE in each science discipline
- 2 exams per subject (1hr45)



Both qualifications are a strong foundation for studying A-level science subjects

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GCSE Science Overview



Combined Science Trilogy

Grades available:

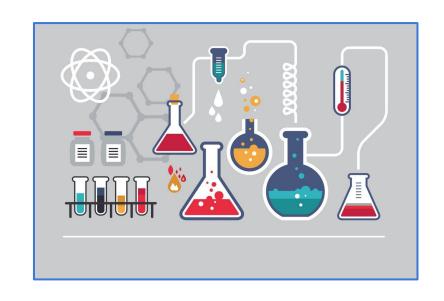
Higher - 9-4

Foundation - 5-1

Separate Sciences (Triple)

Grades available:

Higher - 9-4



Year 11 Science Curriculum Plan



- Autumn 1: End of topic tests for all 3 sciences
- Autumn 2: November Mock
- Spring 1: Paper 1 (In Class mock)
 for all 3 sciences
- All content completed by March
- Extensive in class revision and paper 2 practice



Science: Tips and Advice



- Create revision notes at the end of every chapter studied
- There are a wide range of resources available to support revision including Revision Google Classrooms, websites such as <u>Seneca</u> <u>Learning</u>, <u>Physics Maths Tutor</u> and Kerboodle
- Study support sessions will begin after October half term
- Encourage students to revise their least favourite science first
- Teachers are always available to support!
- Exam questions



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Mrs Buckley

Curriculum Leader for



Languages



Five themes



- 1. Identity & Culture
- 2. Local area, holiday & travel
- 3. School
- 4. Future aspirations, study & work
- 5. International & global dimension



Four exams in Y11

Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
25%	25%	25%	25%

Foundation: 1-5 Higher: 4-9



Four exams in Y11

Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
25%	25%	25%	25%

Take place during public exam period



Four exams in Y11

Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
25%	25%	25%	25%

Takes place during 2 weeks after Easter



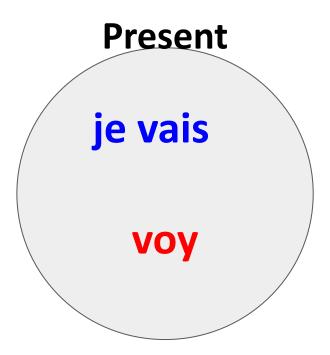
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Mock orals: w/c 6th November

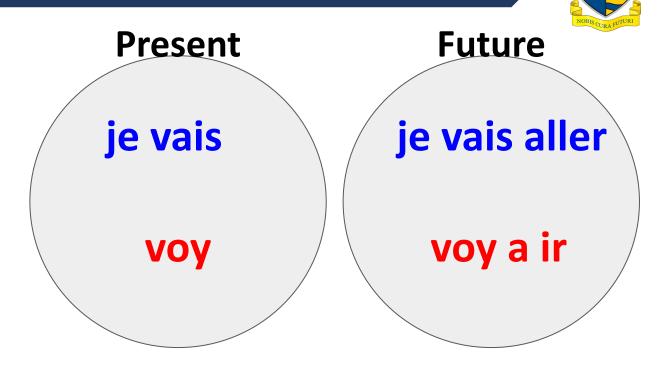
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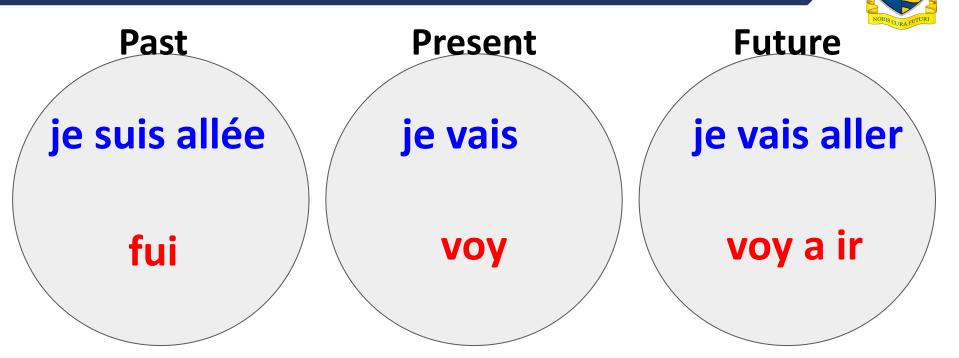


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1. Websites on RMUnify





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2. Intervention: lunchtime (targeted); resource-based

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- 2. Intervention: lunchtime (targeted); resource-based
- 3. Y12 mentoring: oral preparation (lunchtime)

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Miss Taylor

Assistant Headteacher

KS5





Community



Success

Inclusivity

Life as a Sixth Former

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- → Daily Form Time
- → 3 A-Level/BTEC lessons (usually 4-5 per week per subject)
- → 1 hour of Step-Up a week
- → 1 hour of Speaker Programme per month
- → 2 x Enrichment
- Community Support
- Study Support time



Why STAGS Sixth Form?



- Specialists in academia and pastoral
- Community & inclusivity
- 3. Leadership roles
- 4. Expert guidance for University, apprenticeships & employment with the aspiration of Oxbridge!
- 5. Enrichment opportunities
- Preparation for life beyond Sixth Form
- Incredible A-Level/BTEC results that show our profound excellence in teaching & learning
- 8. Dedicated Sixth Form team



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