Welcome to our Sixth Form Parents' Information Evening

Please turn off your microphones during the presentation



- Our culture and ethos
- 2021 Results and Destinations
- The transition from GCSE to A Level
- Monitoring, intervention and support
- Developing our students' leadership skills
- Preparation for future pathways and Yr 13 UCAS update
- Home/school partnership

Our Culture and Ethos

Your Sixth Form Team

- Mrs Flaherty Assistant Principal: Sixth Form
- Mrs Berry Leader of Sixth Form Studies Student Experience/ Enrichment/ Teaching and Learning
- Mrs Boakes Student Learning Manager Student Voice/Attendance/Student Support
- Tutors Day to Day Support/First Port of call/ References/Mentoring/Tutorial Programme/Form Year Group Briefings

Glossopdale School – our culture and ethos



An embedded culture!

Our Values

enacity

Show motivation and determination, adopting a 'can do' attitude and a strong work offic.

ard Work

Work refertlessly to achieve and improve, understanding that trying your best can lead to achieving your ambitions.

Responsibility

Demonstrate compassion, generosity and empathy when confronted with difference or need, valuing and oriebrating diversity.

ndependence

Be self-relarit, organising time, resources and tasks, meeting deadlines and demonstrating maturity.

Visionary

Offer curiosity and thoughtfulness; seeking our new knowledge and weaving it into our understanding of a complex world. Value imagination, creativity and new perspectives.

Excellence

Produce high quality, crafted work, responding to freeback with enthusiasm and practalor. Commit to the highest standards of behaviour, attendance and punctuality. Show pride in yourself and your school.

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Our Learning Habits

Prepare for Success

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2021Results and Destinations

Planning your future...

Will - A*A*A*A* is off to Cambridge to study Natural Sciences

Emily - A*A*AB - Kent and Medway Medical School , Medicine

Aidan - A* Dist* AA - Sheffield University, Biomedical Science

Kade - AAB - Durham University, Computer Science

James - A*A*A*A - Newcastle University, History and Politics

Adam – A*AAA – Sheffield, Biomedical Science

Jodie – Dist* AA – University of York, Film and TV Production

David - A*A*A*A* - Imperial College London, Biomedical Engineering

Nina - A*AAB - Kent University, Forensic Science

Emily – Dist* Dist* - Sheffield Hallam, Social Work

Cameron – Dist* Dist – Gap year then university next year

Kayla – Dist*Dist*B – Manchester University, Mental Health Nursing

Callum – Dist* Dist – UCLAN, Adult Nursing

Lewis – Dist*Dist* Dist – Sports Coaching – full time employment





Average A Level grade B Average Btec grade Distinction +

The progress score - 2018-2021 year on year trend!

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ALPS 2 Outstanding

- ---- Alps grade 1 better or equal to the best score achieved in the indicator Outstanding
- ---- Alps grade 2 scoring between the 90th and 99th percentile Outstanding
- ---- Alps grade 3 scoring between the 75th and 89th percentile Excellent
- ---- Alps grade 4 scoring between the 60th and 74th percentile Very good
- ---- Alps grade 5 scoring between the 40th and 59th percentile Satisfactory to Good
- ---- Alps grade 6 scoring between the 25th and 39th percentile Below average
- ---- Alps grade 7 scoring between the 10th and 24th percentile Less than satisfactory
- ---- Alps grade 8 scoring between the 1st and 9th percentile Relatively poor
- --- Alps grade 9 scoring below the lowest score achieved in the indicator Poor

The challenge is to get out of the BLUE and move towards the RED. If you are already in the RED the challenge is to stay there. Continuous improvement is the underlying theme.

A Level Courses

- 3 or 4 subjects
- Some subjects eg History and English will have coursework
- Mainly assessed through exams at the end of Yr 13

Vocational Courses – Btecs/Cambridge Technical

- All Btec/Cambridge Technical students will also sit exams next year
- A good % of their assessment will be through coursework
- If they miss a deadline they limit themselves to Pass only very important that they meet their submission dates

Concessions due to Covid

Exams in 2022

- Some reduced content for some exams
- Some allowances for NEA eg fieldwork/coursework/practical assessments
- Some reduction of units for Btecs/vocational courses

Vast majority of subjects have very little concession at A Level

Year 12 students

- There will be a big focus on regular exam skills and content assessment and monitoring.
- 2 mock examinations in November and June (need to pass these to automatically move on to the second year of the course and if they only just pass in June we may look at changing their current pathways)
- Vocational courses will have external exams primarily in June but some resits may be in January
- GCSE resits in Maths and English November and June

Food for thought...

- GCSE reforms grades 1-9
- 'Good' pass grade 5
- Check what universities require in English and Maths now some will accept the 4 and others require the grade 5

 Any student who has not achieved a grade 4 in Maths or English are legally required to resit these until they have attained this grade

From GCSE to A Level...

Progress, Monitoring, Intervention and Support.

Minimum Expected Grades- MEGs

185

75%

- National database
- Aspirational top 25% nationally
- Vocational subjects and A Levels
- Continuous monitoring and intervention
- MEG/CURRENT/PROJECTED grades



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Regular and challenging assessment of progress

- Regular homework/coursework completion
- Regular formal assessments every 2 weeks for academic subjects and ongoing for vocational subjects
- Practising of exam questions
- Formal mock examinations 2 in Year 12 and 1 in Year 13
- Actual exams in June and some in Jan for vocational courses

Progress information points

- 3 progress reports a year
- 2 parents evenings
- Regular parental contact if issues arise/concerns regarding progress are raised
- This is a two way process

Tracking and Monitoring

Good Progress Interviews

Students will meet with their teachers 3 times each year to discuss progress more formally

Progress Review in Tutor Time

Students will then meet with their tutor to share actions and targets and get support if needed

Individual Action Plans (IAP)

Data analysis will enable underperforming students to be identified and an IAP will be put into place if needed.

Parents' Evening – Thursday 4th November 2021

Transition from GCSE to A Level what does this look like for our students?

Personal and academic expectations

No one rises to low expectations.

Les Brown

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance Policy

Target no less than 95% Report absences immediately Be ON TIME – 8.40am Tutor time – Year 12 Mon/Tues/Fri and Yr 13 Wed/Thurs



The Facts

- Missing lessons impacts on grades directly!
- Placed on contract/IAP





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ID Badges and Photos

ID photos have been taken this week.

ID must be worn by students at all times because:

- It is used for security and safeguarding and track and trace
- It allows students access to all student areas
- They are required to swipe in and out for health and safety reasons
- Only Sixth Form students and staff have these and can use the main entrance with them











Independent Learning ...

Using study time wisely!



- National research shows 4/5 hours extra study per subject each week.
- 3 subjects = 12-15hrs and 4 subjects = 12 15hrs
- This is NOT OPTIONAL but ESSENTIAL to achieve SUCCESS!
- The other non-lesson times are in school doing INDEPENDENT STUDY/ENRICHMENT

How to structure the week



Combination of home/school study - support getting into good habits

10 to 15 hours each week independent study timetabled within the school day

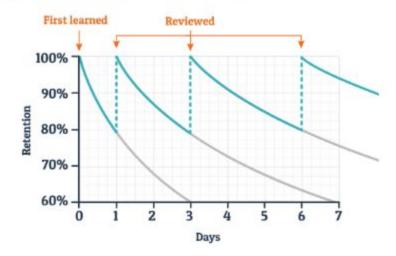


Transition from GCSE to A Level the science of learning

The Science of Learning...shapes the way we teach and informs the way students learn

- Long term memory infinite storage capacity, retrievable
- working memory can only hold around 4 things
- Forgetting curve reviewing and revising, again and again, before achieving mastery
- Making links organised and systematic

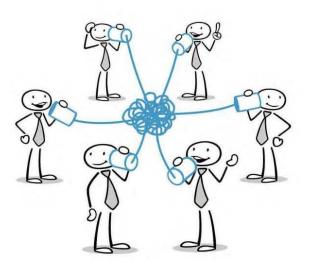
Typical Forgetting Curve for Newly Learned Information





Independent study





Pre reading Flipped Learning TED talks Note consolidation Exam skill practise Reading Revision notes Flash cards

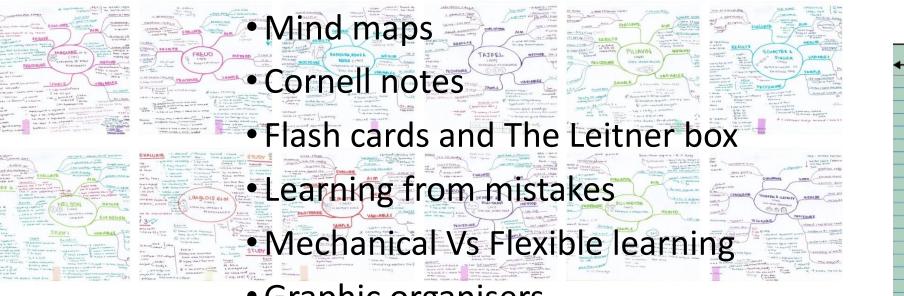


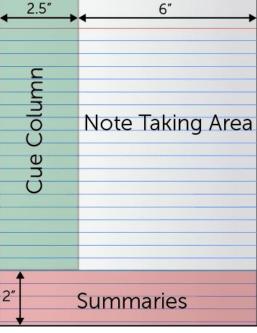


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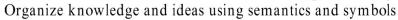


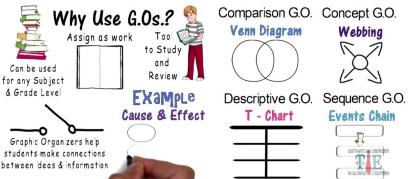


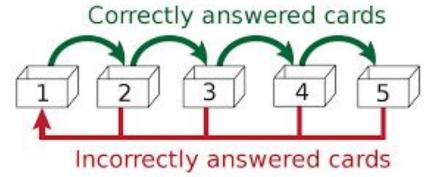


Graphic organisers

Graphic Organizers - Teaching Strategy









Retrieval practice and long term memory

What does a successful Sixth Form student look like?

REVIEW YOUR NOTES Are they complete? Do you

need to re-draw or write anything so that it will make sense in 6 months' time? Do not waste time making notes pretty! Check against the specification.

After every lesson



CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING Decide what you do not yet "know" and what you do not yet "understand". Cover up definitions and processes and see what you can say out-loud.



READ THE TEXTBOOK Read your textbook and revision

guide. Are there any other facts, diagrams, examples, analogies etc that you need

to add into your notes?



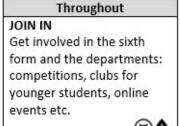
After each chapter **KEEP ON TOP OF REVISION** Create a concise flash card of definitions or processes you need to know by rote (use mark-scheme language). Use them! Test yourself each evening.



TEST YOURSELF

You need to identify what you can still recall and what you cannot recall anymore. Use "look, cover, write, check" for definitions and processes (AO1 knowledge).

PAST PAPER QUESTIONS Complete all of the exam questions given. Check all of your answers strictly against the mark-scheme. Learn the mark-scheme language.





BBC News Books (Why not read with a friend?) Keep a list in your phone or make a personal page on Firefly.



EVALUATE

READ

Every time you see a science-based headline, read the article and try to evaluate the evidence. Think sample size and make-up, stats tests, etc.

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At	ttempt exam questions
w	ithout your notes. Switch
co	blour and fill in gaps using your
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POST-IT REMINDERS

Use post-its to remind yourself which parts of your homework you needed to use your notes for or concepts you do not understand yet, and questions you need to ask.

ASK QUESTIONS

Email your teacher to arrange a time to talk-through a concept you do not understand or ask in the next lesson.



SENECA Many people find Seneca useful for study and revision.



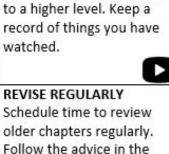
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TIMING

For smaller tests, you should be studying throughout so final 'revision' can be done in the week before your test. For larger exams you will need to start a few months ahead of the date

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NO DISTRACTIONS!

section.

"after each chapter"

YOUTUBE

When you do sit down to work, make sure you leave your phone in another room. Focus on what you are doing.

LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND FUTURE PATHWAYS



- •Very important to get this right it makes ALL the difference to success or failure.
- •You will enjoy leisure more if you have faced up to your academic commitments – do the work to EARN your leisure time.
- •Too much part-time work affects academic performance: More than 8-10 hours a week is too much backed up by national research and data analysis (not just our advice!).



Balancing Act – Part Time Work

Tutorial Programme

Tutorial Programme Topics and Themes

Year 12	Year 13
Induction and Aspirations	Induction, UCAS and planning for Post 18
Study Skills for Sixth Form Students	Global Issues
Healthy Living and Good Mental Wellbeing	The Final Countdown – study skills
Global Issues	The Last Leg
Medley of themes	Term 5(+6) dedicated to revision and completion
Futures – UCAS and start of personal statements	of BTEC

Year 12 Monday, Tuesday and Friday 8.45 – 9.15 1 hr / 30 minutes a week

Year 13 Wednesday and Thursday 1 hr a week





The A Level

40 activities for transforming

commitment,

motivation and productivity

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Upcoming courses (for the next 30 days)

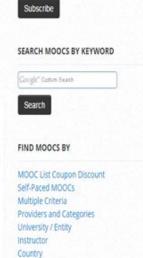
Introduction to the Biology of Cancer (Coursera)

Sep 26th 2016 Coursera @English @English

Over 500,000 people in the United States and over 8 million people worldwide are dying every year from cancer. As people live longer, the incidence of cancer is rising worldwide and the disease is expected to strike over 20 million people annually by 2030. This open course is designed for people who would like to develop an understanding of cancer and how it is prevented, diagnosed, and treated.

********* Average: 7.3 (9 votes)

Biology & Life Sciences, Medicine & Pharmacology



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Extended Project Qualification



Our EPQ allows each student to embark on a largely self-directed and self-motivated project. Students must choose a topic, plan, research and develop their idea and decide on their finished product.

We encourage creativity and curiosity. A project topic may be directly related to a student's main study programme, but should look beyond the specification. A finished product may take the form of a:

- · research based written report
- · production* (eg charity event, fashion show or sports event etc)
- · an artefact* (eg piece of art, a computer game or realised design).

*A written report must accompany these options.

Students must also record their project process in their Production Log. The process of recording and completing a project is as important as the finished product. Both the Production Log and Product will be assessed.

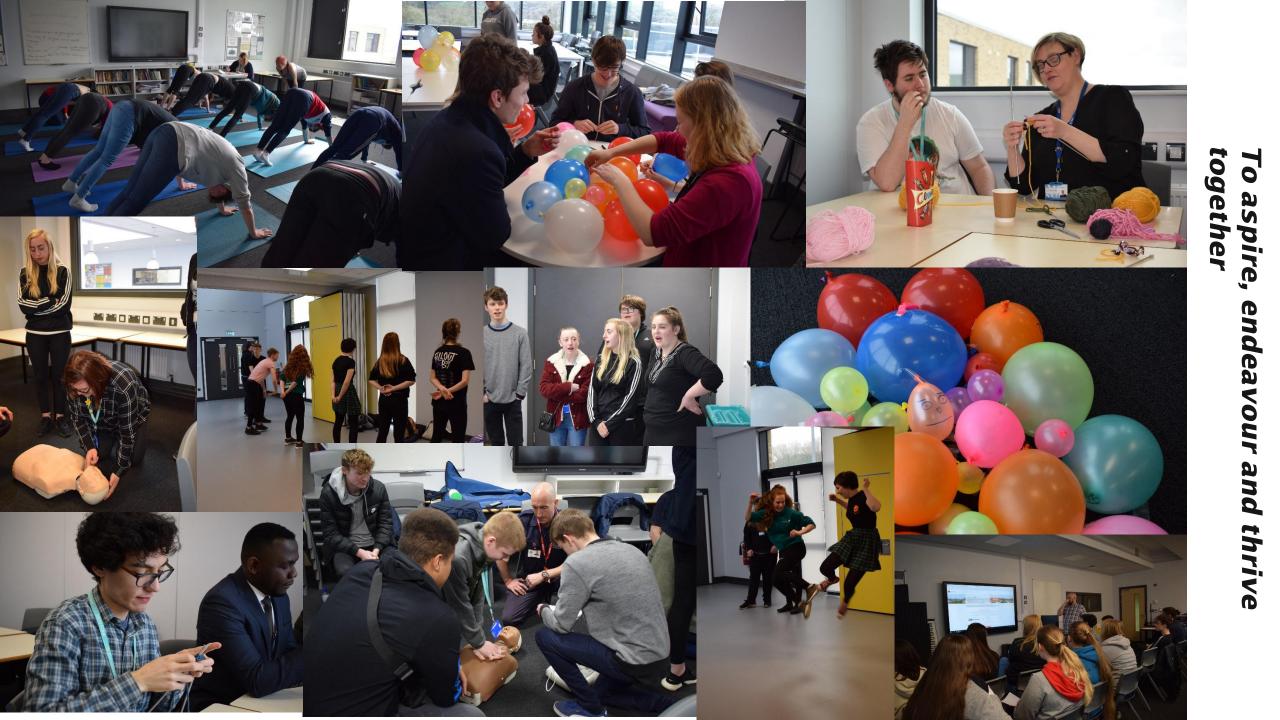
Sixth Form Issues days

•FUTURE PATHWAYS – Apprenticeship/NCS/GAP Year/Student Life/Applying for jobs/presentation and interview skills – Work placements in July for all of YR 12

•HEALTH AND WELL BEING – first aid, yoga, personal safety, mental health, relationships, cyber bullying and internet safety and fitness.



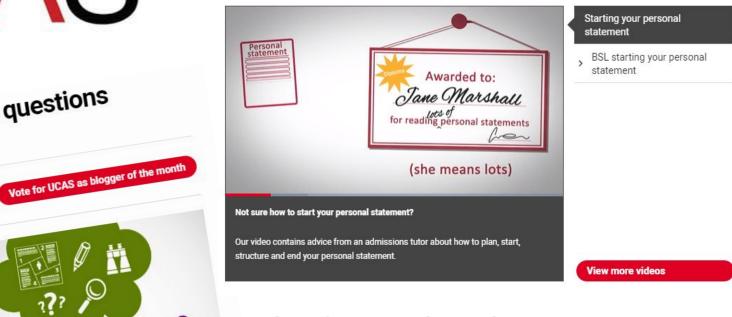




INFORMATION/ ADVICE AND GUIDANCE : FUTURE PATHWAYS

Writing a UCAS Undergraduate personal statement

The personal statement is an important part of the UCAS application. It's your chance to describe you ambitions, skills, and experience.



Choosing an undergraduate course

There are over 37,000 undergraduate courses at 395 providers in the UK. Most applicants choose up to five similar courses to increase their chances of getting a place.



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answered! Tue 23 September 2014 - 10:45 By UCAS in UCAS advice

Personal statements: quick-fire questions

UCAS

How should I start it?

What are unis looking for?

How should I structure my personal statement?

Got a question about writing your personal statement? Don't worry, you're not alone. We're often asked about this section of the application, and chances are your question will be one we've heard from other students. Check out the answers to five of the most frequently asked questions below - they're all from admissions staff at universities and colleges (the people who spend their time reading personal statements!)

1. When should I start? "As soon as you can! Give yourself time to write it properly. Your first draft alone could take you a whole day

to write." Amy Smith, Nottingham Trent University.

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Apprenticeships

- The Government have pledged there will be 3 million apprenticeship opportunities by 2020 with growth in higher and degree.
- There are up to 28,000 live vacancies online at any one time.
- All Apprenticeships are real jobs and earn a minimum wage.
- Apprentices will work at least 30 hours per week and can between 1 and 5 years to complete dependant on level.

Name	Level	Equivalent educational level.
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes at GCSE A* - C
Advanced	3	2 A level passes
Higher	4,5,6 and 7	Foundation degree and above
Degree	6 and 7	Bachelor's or master's degree



Apprenticeships

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Create an account

You need to create an account d to:

- apply for apprenticeships
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- track your applications

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Is uni for you?



What's this about?

We're here to help you through the application process – there's loads of information on our website and we're at the end of the phone, a Facebook post or a Tweet if you need to talk to us. Deciding to go to uni can be a tough decision, so we'll give you all the info you need to make the right choice for you.

+ What's it like?

+ What other options are there?

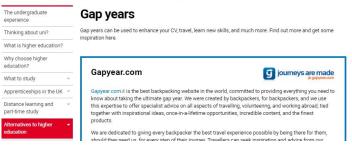
+ Can I afford it?

https://www.ucas.com/ucas/not-sure

GAP Year









What is a Gap Year?



PROSPECTS

experience

education?

What to study

part-time study

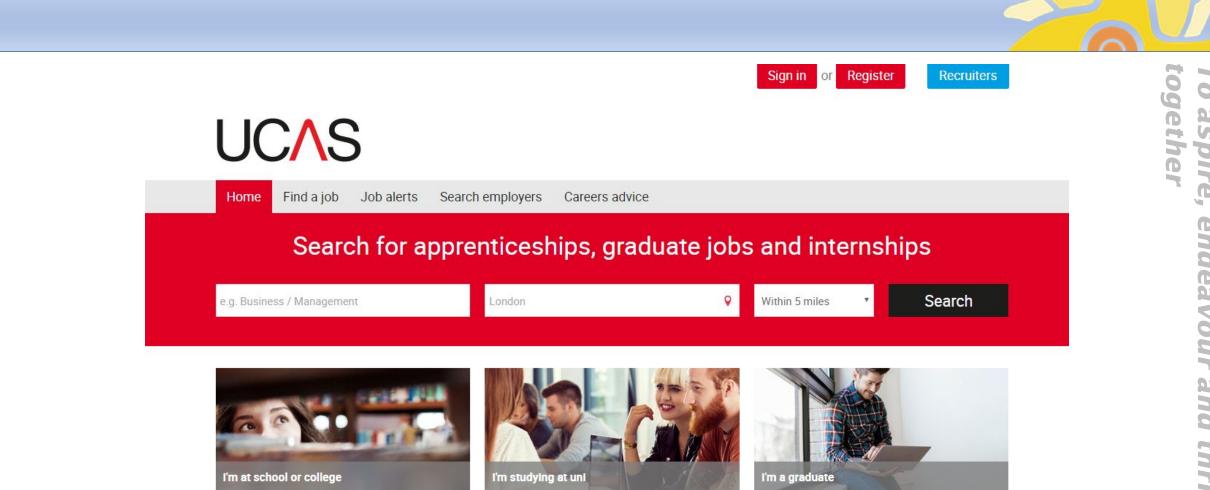
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Gap year



UCAS career finder



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UCAS deadline for Yr 13

October half-term

- Part of the first cohort to reach the admissions team
- Focus on their A levels
- Can submit with just 1 choice on

The Process

Pay and send - submitting to us/subject teachers write the subject references/tutor put this information together and add the enrichment information/I check them and send them to UCAS

The impact of Covid on University places...

- University places this year have been over-subscribed
- News headlines unis paying students to defer for a year medics/dentistry
- Places are likely to be very competitive in 2022 on onwards

Yr 13 - meet the application deadlines we set

Yr 12 - build a very competitive CV now - enrichment/work placements/outside interests etc

Home/School Partnership

Home School Partnership

Where to find help

- -Academic staff
- -Tutor
- -Student Manager Mrs Boakes
- -Mrs Berry/Mrs Flaherty
- -Outside agencies



Open door policy CONTACT US AND ASK!

Financial Support

BURSARY – 16-19 Discretionary Bursary

- Based on household income bandings up to £25,850
- Up to £900 available for each student
- Students who were entitled to FSM/PP last year or in the past if nothing has changed financially
- One off payment requests will also be considered

How can it help?

- Payment in kind
- Transport costs/stationary and study materials/resources and course texts/trips –
- Laptop and/or specialist equipment for their courses eg Music Tech/Creative Media/Art/Photography
- UCAS applications



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Students new to the school



- Can feel a little overwhelming at first
- Contact school sooner rather than later
- All students are in new tutor groups/doing new subjects/in a new Sixth Form building

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Student voice...



Feedback from Current Y13 students

"I came to Glossopdale from Longdendale, because I knew that the Sixth Form here was smaller and friendly and I would get the support I needed. I also knew that I wouldn't have to spend time each day travelling."

"In Year 12 my teachers noticed that I struggled with certain aspects of my work and they requested a dyslexia assessment. This confirmed that I do have dyslexia and I was immediately given extra time, resources and support. I don't think this would have happened so quickly in a bigger college. I'm continuing my A levels in English, History and Sociology and I am on track to achieve my target grades."

"I need support with exams and I know that if I ask I will always get this and it will be done quickly."

Feedback from Current Y13 students

"It's good that that we have time during the week to work independently, you can either work in the common room or find a quiet room to study"."

"Many of our teachers taught us in GCSE, so the transition into Sixth Form was easier."

"There is a lot of one to one time with all my staff and my folder checks each term help me a lot."

"The sixth form team in the office are always on hand to answer queries or help".

"The building is light and airy, there are quiet rooms in the Sixth Form area and you have a sense of independence."

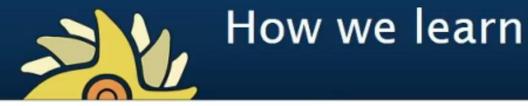
"I went to Xavarian at first but when I came here a lot of effort was made to introduce me to other students so I didn't feel I was on my own..."

"As much as I hate it ... you care about whether I am here or not."

Any Questions?

Thank you for your time. Please phone or email me if you have any questions or would like me to clarify anything regarding the Sixth Form

fflaherty@glossopdale.school





The working memory can Environment hold Working approximately memory five items. This This process is is universal. what we call learning - it Long-term only occurs memory with *practice* and thinking