

## HIGH SCHOOL Year 11 Information Evening



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- Preparing for GCSEs in summer 2026
  - Working at and projected grades

Mr A Carter – Deputy Headteacher

11<sup>th</sup> September 2025



# When will the GCSE exam series occur? (Provisional)

- Exams begin w/b 4th May.
- Exams end 26<sup>th</sup> June.
- MFL Speaking, Art and Photography exams w/b 27<sup>th</sup>
   April
- Contingency day Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June (All day)
- Results day: Thursday 20th August.



## IGH SCHOOL ST Exams will decide Tiering

- Maths, Science & MFL are tiered.
  - Foundation (1-5) and Higher (4-9) Maths and MFL
  - Foundation (11-55) and Higher (44 99) Science
  - Students must be entered for the correct tier.
  - The tier that students will be entered for will be dependent on the results from both ST1 and ST2.

"We recommend that students who are predicted to achieve a grade 4-4 or 5-4 in Combined Science, or a 4 in Maths and MFL, should be entered for the foundation tier."

**Ofqual** 



### Working at grade

In ST1 and ST2 students will sit full papers which will allow subjects to use real grade boundaries.

Maths - Foundation

Raw Score / 300	Grade
0	U
24	1
64	2
104	3
144	4
189	5

Maths - Higher

Raw Score / 300	Grade
0	U
51	3
68	4
102	5
136	6
171	7
213	8
256	9



### Projected grade

Students will still be issued with a projected grade – this is *generally* worked out by taking some marks away from each boundary

**Maths** - Foundation

Maths - Higher

Raw boundary / 300	Projected boundary / 300	Grade
0	0	U
24	20	1
64	60	2
104	102	3
144	138	4
189	185	5

Raw boundary / 300	Projected boundary / 300	Grade
0	0	U
51	48	3
68	60	4
102	97	5
136	132	6
171	165	7
213	206	8
256	250	9



### Example

Student scored 38 marks

Gives them a working at grade of a 4 \

Student scored 69 marks

Gives them a working at grade of an 8



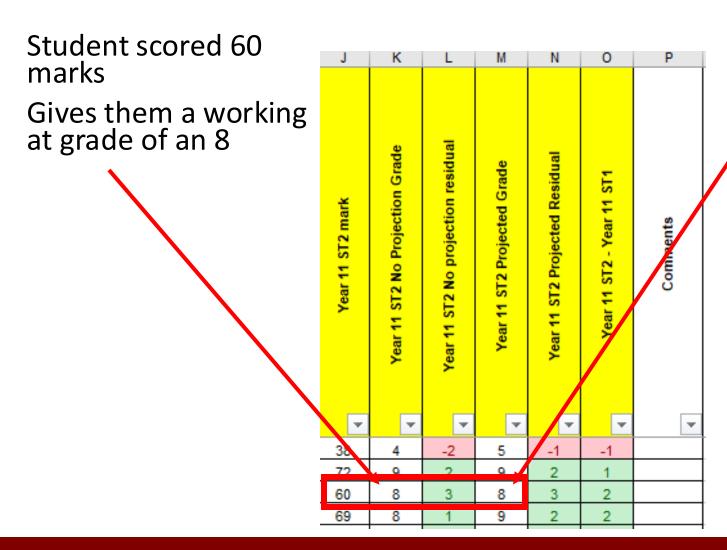
Using the projection boundary they are given a projected grade of a 9

Using the projection boundary they are given a projected grade of a 5

Raw boundary	Projected boundary	Grade
0	0	U
24	20	3
33	29	4
39	35	5
45	40	6
50	47	7
56	52	8
72	69	9



## COUNTY Working at and projected grades can be the same



When applying the projected boundary this student has not achieved the score for a grade 9

Raw Loundary	Projected boundary	Grade
þ	0	U
24	20	3
33	29	4
39	35	5
45	40	6
50	47	7
56	52	8
72	69	9



### Mock results day

**Example Student** 

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Subject	Target	ST1 Working at GCSE Grade	ST1 Projected GCSE Grade
English Language	5	5	6
English Literature	5	5	5
Maths	4	3	4
Combined Science (worth 2 GCSE grades)	44	44	44
Geography	5		7
Spanish	4	5	5
Food Preparation and Nutrition	4	3	3
PE (GCSE)	5	5	6



# ST windows versus the real GCSE window

#### In ST windows

 Students who are absent are given an opportunity to "catch up" missed exams

#### **GCSE** window

• If students miss an exam through illness, or any other reason, there is no opportunity to catch up



## Why provide both grades?

#### Why provide projected grades?

- Students are sitting real papers with real boundaries
- ST1 and ST2 exams are important *but* students will revise more for the real thing
- More teaching time including revision of topics/skills

#### Why provide working at grades?

- Shows students what they would have got
- Motivational tool close to a boundary
- Students can exceed the projected grade if they work hard



# Importance of Student Tracking Exams: Arrangements and Reports

Miss C Thomas – Assistant Headteacher



## COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Why are these ST Exams important?

- Teachers will have a better understanding of what students know and what they don't know. This evidence will then be used to plan future lessons and future interventions.
- Mock exams (ST1 and ST2) will be used to make decisions on tier of entry.



# Student Tracking Exam Arrangements in Year 11

Y11 ST1

Starts Monday 6th October

Finishes Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October

(Two weeks: before October half-term)

Y11 ST2

Starts Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Finishes Friday 30<sup>th</sup> February

(Two weeks: before February half-term)



### ST1 Guidance Document

SUBJECT & FOCUS	ADVICE / my own notes on what to revise.	HIT LIST	HOW and WHAT Places / Strategies Revised / Practiced				
English Language Paper 1 1 hour 45 mins Fiction Reading and Creative Writing	Language - Paper 1 content:  1.Reading Section: Fiction Reading. Ability to answer Identify, Analyse and Evaluate Questions.  2. Writing Section: Prepare a first-person narrative, using the 5 part story arc, tension techniques, character descriptions, and figurative devices.		Science	ADVICE / my own notes on what to revise.	HIT LIST	HOW and WHAT Places / Strategies Revised / Practiced	
English Literature Paper 1 2 hours Shakespeare and Poetry Anthology	Literature - Paper 1 content:  1. Section A: Romeo and Juliet Extract and Essay on a theme. Know the structure of an Overview and Key Hook; learn key quotes and key moments for the themes of love, conflict and fate.  2. Section B: Poetry Anthology Part A and Part B. Learn key quotes and context for your Chosen 8 poems. Know the structure for a Part A and Part B response.		SCIENCE X3 exams 1 hour 15 mins Combined paper X3 1 hour 45 mins Separate Paper Higher & Foundation paper Biology	Biology Paper 1 content: 1Cell biology 2. Organisation (tissues & organs) 3. Infection and response 4. Bioenergetics (photosynthesis & respiration)			
Maths Paper 1 - Calculator - 1 hr 30 mins Paper 2 - Non-	1. Number operations and integers 2. Fractions, decimals and percentages 3. Indices and surds 4. Approximation and estimation 5. Ratio, proportion and rates of change		Physics	Physics Paper 2 content: Forces & motion 2. Waves & EM spectrum (light & sound) 3. Magnetism and electromagnetism 4. Space Physics			
Calculator - 1 hr 30 mins Paper 3- Calculator - 1hr 30 mins	Graphs of equations and functions     Basic geometry     Congruence and similarity		Chemistry	Chemistry Paper 2 content:  1. The rate and extent of chemical change (rates & equilibrium)  2. Organic chemistry (fractional distillation & cracking. Alcohols, esters, carboxylic acids, polymerisation, DNA & reactions of alkenes)  3. Chemical analysis (chromatography, ion testing & instrumental methods)  4. Chemistry of the atmosphere (evolution of atmosphere & greenhouse effect)  5. Using resources (extracting metals, water & Life cycle assessment. Corrosion, composites, ceramics & glass. NPK fertilisers)			



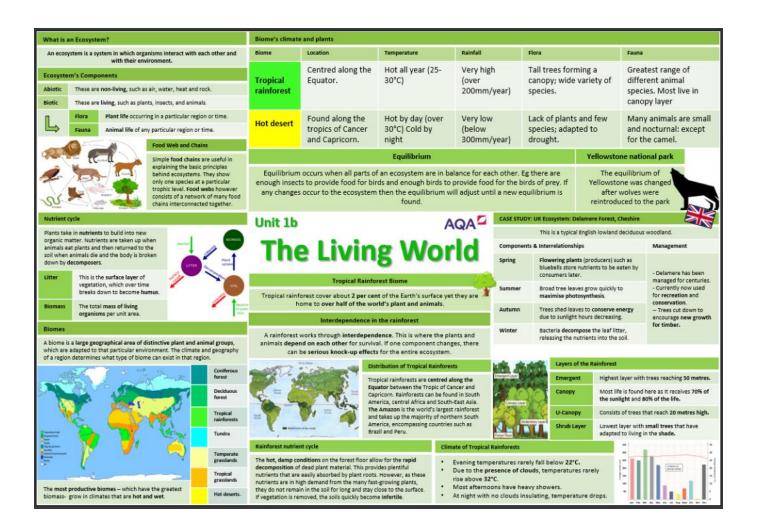
### ST1 Preparation

#### OVERALL REVISION MAPPING

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5 ST1	Week 6 ST1
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Wednesday						
Thursday						
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Friday						
Saturday						
Sunday						



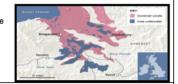
## HIGH SCHOOL ST1 Revision Materials



The chall	enge of natural hazards		Example
Title	The Somerset level floods – extreme weather in the UK	Specific Locations	Burrowbridge, Bristol channel, Bridgwater

#### Where are the Somerset levels?

The Somerset levels are located in the south-west of England. The Somerset levels and the Somerset Moors form an extensive area of low-lying farmland and wetlands bordered by the Bristol Channel and the Menglig, Hills to the north.



#### What caused the floods in 2014?

- Wettest January since records began a succession of depressions (low pressure) driven across the Atlantic Ocean brought a period of wet weather lasting several weeks. 350mm of rain fell in January and February (about 100mm above the average)
- . Hide tides and storm surges swept water up the rivers from the Bristol channel.
- Rivers had not been dredged for at least 20 years.

#### What were the impacts of the flood?

Social	<u>Economic</u>	<u>Environmental</u>
Over 600 houses flooded 16 farms evacuated Residents evacuated to temporary accommodation Villages such as Moorland cut off. This affected people's daily lives e.g. attending school, shopping etc. Many people had power supplies cut off	Somerset County Council estimated the cost of flood damage to be more than £10 million  Over 14,000 ha of agricultural land under water for 3-4 weeks  Over 1000 livestock evacuated  Local roads cut off by floods	Floodwaters were heavily contaminated with sewage and other pollutants including oil and chemicals A huge amount of debris had to be cleared

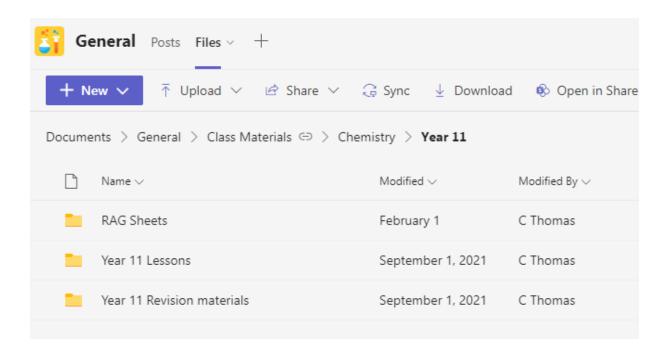
#### What were the responses to the floods

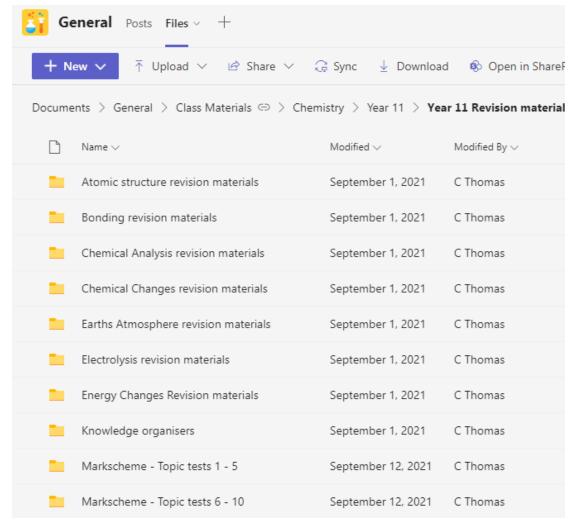
Immediate responses	Longer- term responses
Homeowners coped as best as they could. Villagers cut off by the floods used boats to go shopping or attend school. Local community groups and volunteers in Burcowbridge, gave invaluable support	The Somerset Contingencies Partnership improved their website and set up a social media site to give people detaile and easy access to information on how to reduce their flood risk and prepare for a flood.
Many pumps were used to get water off the Levels and back into the rivers. These pumps were pumping 10 toppes of water per second.	By 2015, some of the temporary pumping stations such as those at Northmoor and the Bridgewater Taunton Canal wer to be made permanent so they could be used again in times

those at Northmoor and the Bridgewater Taunton Canal were to be made permanent so they could be used again in times of flooding increasing the capacity of Sowy/King Sedgemoor drain. The Sowy channel was to be widened to increase its capacity occasing the capacity of Sowy/King Sedgemoor drain. The Sowy channel was to be widened to increase its capacity.



### ST1 Revision Materials







#### Guides to Success

#### Key Stage 4

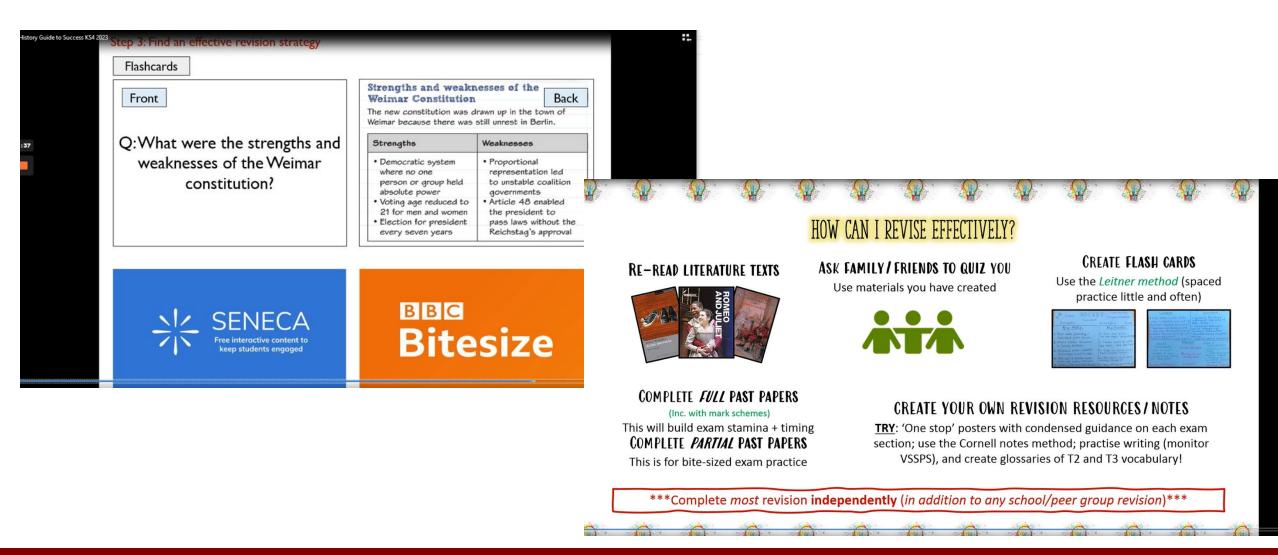


<u>Link: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL1LfPk-KuTqiTKO1SfYxhyEn0fhuj6fN0</u>





#### Guides to Success





#### ST1 First Week

Week B	AM	PM	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	English Literature 2 hours – Hall	French & Spanish Writing - Hall: Foundation 1hour 10mins Higher 1hour 15mins	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Maths – Paper 1 Calculator 1hr 30mins - Hall	Art & Photography – 2hours (in lessons) (a)  Computer Science – Paper 1 – 1hr 30mins – Hall (a)  D&T 1hr 30mins – Hall (a)  Food preparation & Nutrition – 1hour 30mins – Hall (a)  Drama 1hour – Hall (a)  Health & Social Care – 2hours – Hall (a)  GCSE PE – Paper 1 - 1hr 15mins – Hall (a)  Geography Paper 1 – 1hr 30mins – Hall (Dual a)  RS Paper 1 Islam 1 Hour – Hall (a)	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Physics Combined 1hr 15mins – Hall	French Reading (45mins) & Listening (35mins) – F	
October	Physics Separate 1hr 45mins - Hall	French Reading (1 hour) & Listening (45mins) – H	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Spanish Reading (45mins) & Listening (35mins) – F Spanish Reading (1hour) & Listening (45mins) - H	Art & Photography – 2hours (in lessons) (b)  Music - 1h 30m (in lessons) (b)  Cambridge National PE – 1hour – Hall (b)  GCSE PE – Paper 1 - 1hr 15mins – Hall (b)  Digital Information Technology – 1hour 30mins – Hall (b)  Computer Science – Paper 1 – 1hr 30mins – Hall (b)  RS Paper 1 Islam 1 Hour – Hall (b)  D&T 1hr 30mins – Hall (b)  Food preparation & Nutrition – 1hour 30mins – Hall (b)	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Geography Paper 1 – 1hr 30mins – Hall History 2 Hours – Hall	Maths – Paper 2 – Non-Calculator 1hr 30mins - Hall	



### ST1 Second Week

Week A	AM	PM
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	English Language 1hr 45mins – Hall	Geography Paper 3 - Fieldwork – 40mins – Hall
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Biology Combined – 1hr 15mins – Hall Biology Separate – 1hr 45mins – Hall	Art & Photography – 2hours (in lessons) (a)  Music - 1h 30m (in lessons) (a)  Computer Science – Paper 2 - 2hours (in class) (a)  Digital Information Technology – 1hour 30mins – Hall (a)  GCSE PE – Paper 2 - 1hr 15mins – Hall (a)  Geography Paper 3 - Fieldwork – 40mins – Hall (Dual a)  RS Paper 2 Themes 1 Hour – Hall (a)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Maths – Paper 3 Calculator 1hr 30mins – Hall	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October		Art & Photography – 2hours (in lessons) (b) Computer Science – 2hours (in class) (b) GCSE PE Paper 2 1hr 15mins – Hall (b) Drama 1hour – Hall (b) Health & Social Care – 2hours – Hall (b) RS Paper 2 Themes 1 Hour – Hall (b)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Chemistry Combined 1hr 15mins – Hall Chemistry Separate 1hr 45mins - Hall	



#### Assessment Record (Year 11)

Date	Tracking Point	Exam Result	www	EBI	Progress (ie Report Grade)
Oct 2025	ST1				
Feb 2026	ST2				



# Student Tracking Reports and Events

- Mock Results Event (ST1): Friday 21st November 2025
- **ST1 Reports**: week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025 (TBC)

- Mock Results Event (ST2): Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (TBC)
- ST2 Reports: week commencing 9th March 2026 (TBC)
- Year 11 Progress evening: 12th March 2026



## ST1 and ST2 reports

#### ST1 report

Will provide a working at grade and projected grade for students and a written comment providing EBI advice

#### ST2 report

Will provide a working at grade and projected grade for students



## Support and Intervention after ST1 and ST2 Mock Exams

- Careful Analysis of results to support students with their gaps in learning.
- Quality first teaching in lessons
- Intervention in all Subjects from January/post ST2 in February



# Celebrating success like the Class of 2025!





# Post-16 Learning Pathways

Mr Kinder

**Associate SLT: Careers** 



#### Be Excited





## COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Post 16 Pathways: The Law Leftwich

All young people are required to continue in education or training until at least their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.

- Full-time study in a school, college or with a training provider
- An Apprenticeship, traineeship or supported internship
- Full-time work or volunteering (20 hours or more) combined with part-time education or training leading to relevant regulated qualifications

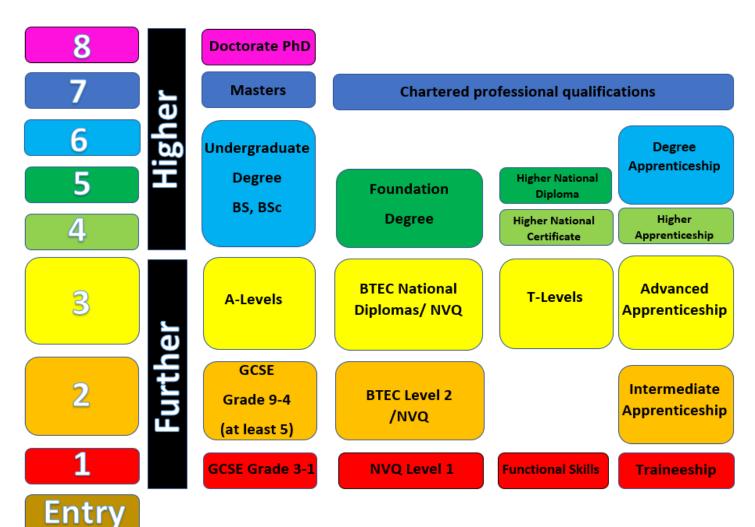


## H SCHOOL Post 16 qualifications

- A Levels if students want to continue studying subjects they took for GCSE to a higher level or pick new subjects they haven't studied before. There is a wide range of subjects to choose from. Students choose 3 A Levels to study
- **Technical Courses** if a student is interested in a particular job or industry. Technical courses combine practical learning with developing knowledge and skills. They are available at a range of different levels which are the equivalent to one, two or three A Levels
- Apprenticeships for students who want to earn a salary and work towards gaining a qualification. Typically spend one day a week in college with the rest of the time spent in a place of work



## Qualification Levels



All Level 3 Qualifications give UCAS points for University but not all courses accept these as being equivalent



## Post 16 Qualifications

#### Qualification Level BTEC National Advanced T-Levels A-Levels Diplomas/ NVQ Apprenticeship Further GCSE Intermediate **BTEC Level 2** Grade 9-4 Apprenticeship /NVQ (at least 5) GCSE Grade 3-1 **NVQ Level 1 Functional Skills** Traineeship



## College options









## Cheshire College South & West



#### COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Apprenticeship options Leftwich













Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

**BARCLAYS** 



## Post 16 Assemblies

Date of assembly	College provider	Open events	Website
Thursday 18th September	Priestly College	Wednesday 8th October Thursday 9th October Thursday 6th November Saturday 22nd November	https://www.priestley.ac.uk/
Thursday 22nd November	Reaseheath College	Saturday 27th September Saturday 18th October Saturday 29th November	https://www.reaseheath.ac.uk/
Monday 22nd September	Warrington & Vale Royal College	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> November Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	https://wvr.ac.uk/
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Sir John Deanes	Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	https://www.sjd.ac.uk/
September	College	Thursday 23rd October Tuesday 4th November	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Cheshire College –	Wednesday 17th September	https://www.ccsw.ac.uk/
	South & West	Thursday 18th September  Monday 22nd September	
		Friday 26th September	

An apprenticeship provider will also deliver an assembly in October



# Application Process

• Can apply to as many Post 16 Destinations as you like. We recommend applying for at least 2

Apply after visiting a college Open Event (Use most recent results)

Colleges invite you for an interview (School/College/Phone)

• All offers will be conditional, you only confirm your place in August 2026



# Application SJD

• Grade requirements are lower as we are a partner High School: 665555 (including English/Maths)

- Apply after the first Open Evening Applications open 11th October
- Applications close 30th November

• Interviews happen early 2026 (Update applications with ST1 Grades)



# HIGH SCHOOL Careers Education, Advice and Guidance

Post 16 Learning Pathways Events	Date		
College and apprenticeship provider assemblies	September/October		
Northwich and Winsford PLEDGE Careers Fair	13th November		
Mock Results Day	21st November		
Post-16 Applications (CHSL) deadline	21st December		
College interviews	January/February		
Apprenticeship application support	March		
Careers Advisor meeting (Mrs Hutchinson – Mploy Solutions) Individual/Group Sessions and Drop-ins throughout the year	Ongoing		
EfL Lessons Form Tutors offering support with Application Forms and Personal Statements	Ongoing		



#### What to do next

- Research: Attend open events and Careers Fair; explore websites; request a prospectus
- Reflect: Use Careers Interview Feedback and Assemblies to reflect on research, as well as your own achievements, qualities and skills
- Apply: Access advice and support on offer in order to complete your personal statement, applications and interviews
- Apply Again: You can apply and receive offers from as many colleges as you like

If you need advice speak to your Form Tutor, Mr Kinder, Teachers, Careers Advisor Mrs Hutchinson





Achieving Excellence

### How to Succeed in Year 11



# What does success look like in Year 11?

Aspiration – Kindness - Pride



#### Year 11 Key Priorities

- Give yourself a focus
- Own your own journey
- Manage your wellbeing
- Be part of the community
- The end is also a beginning







# What does success look like in Year 11?





At CHSL, students with attendance above 95% are over 10 times more likely to achieve grade 5 or above in English and Maths than those with attendance below 85%.



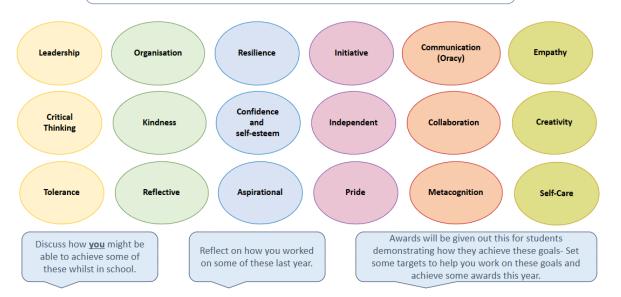
#### **Tutor Time Programme**

'A' Week Monday'A' Week Tuesday'A' Week Wednesday'A' Week Thursday'A' Week FridayHead Teacher's<br/>AssemblySTARR<br/>AssemblyRevision<br/>DevelopmentPersonal<br/>DevelopmentFeel-good Friday

'B' Week Monday'B' Week Tuesday'B' Week Wednesday'B' Week Thursday'B' Week FridayYear Leader's<br/>AssemblySTARR<br/>ReadingTutor-Led<br/>ReadingPersonal<br/>DevelopmentFeel-good Friday

#### Personal Development Goals

"Personal development – the never-ending chance to improve not only yourself, but also to attract opportunities and affect others."



#### STARR – STudy skills, Active Revision, Reflection Year 11

KEEP YOUR PLANNERS WITH YOU, they are a working document

SS = Study Skills R=

R= Reflection

AR = Active Revision

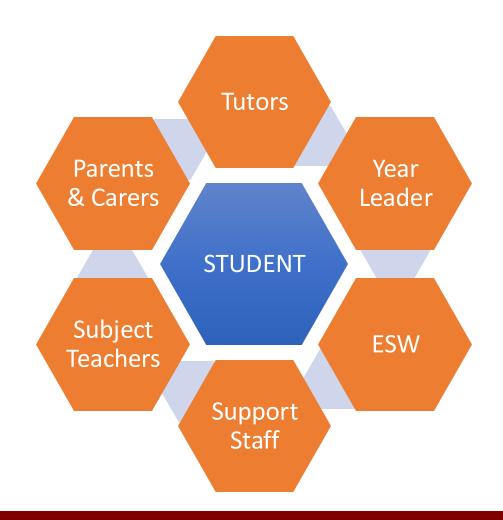
Session 1 4.9.25 Planner Issue & Making revision Priorities  Session 2 – 8.9.25 Reflection of Week 1 Making a plan for week 2	Session 3 15.9.25 Reflection of week 2 Making plan for week 3 Sharing of revision ideas – oracy task	Session 4 22.9.25 Reflection on week 3 Making a plan for week 4 Independent Revision
Session 5 29.9.25 Reflection on Week 4 Making a plan for week 5 Independent Revision	Session 6 6.10.25 ST week 1 Reflection on week 5 Making a plan for week 6	Session 7 13.10.25 ST Week 2 Reflection on week 6 Making a plan for week 7  Session 8 20.10.25 Independent revision for the final week



WEEK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	REFLECTION
2-5, 25 min slots								
HIT LIST	Biology	French – Tenses	Lit	OFF	D & T	Mathswatch	French	I've got the job
	Plant cells draw	Write paragraph	Brain Dump Key		List products and		List tenses and	done this week
PE – R System	and label	and check.	vocabulary for R &		their uses		put each one into	
			J				a sentence	
Biology -	Lit	Geog	PE	OFF	Biology	OFF	Geog	I need to build a
Cells and	Concept map –	List factors of	Concept map		Create keyword		Elaborate on list	better routine
responses	importance of	erosion	Respiratory		flashcards for			
	each character		System		cells and			
					responses			Focus for
Geog – Erosion	PE	Maths watch	LIT	OFF	LIT	OFF	Biology	next week
LIT – R & J	Functions		Create R & J		Use Power word		USE Flashcards	Heat week
	respiratory		power word		Flashcards			
	system BBC		flashcards					Eng Lang
	Bitesize quiz							PE - Muscles
French – Tenses							LIT	Geog -Climate
French – Tenses							Use power word	Change
								French -Vocab for
D&T							Flashcards	holidays
Products								



#### Student Support in Year 11





#### The Year 11 Journey





#### **Enrichment Events**









#### How can you help?

- Promote good attendance
- Help them organise themselves do they have a plan?
- Build in reflection time
- Reduce distractions
- Be familiar with retrieval methods
- Motivational language
- Avoid comparisons
- Help build a balance



### Key Messages





"Ambition is the path to success. Persistence is the vehicle you arrive in."

Bill Bradley

"The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones.

Confucius