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KEVIGS Sixth Form Open Evening – 8th November 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 11 is a year that quickly flies by. Before they know where they are, students will have made choices about their future, sat their mock exams, taken their GCSEs, and are thinking about their move into Sixth Form.

I feel that this is a useful time to map out for you what happens during Year 11, and to give you details about the support we offer as students consider their post-16 options:

- A Sixth Form Courses Booklet and Application Form will be given to each student on the Open Evening. They will give details and entry requirements for all the courses that we intend to offer next year, and will explain how students can apply to join King Edward’s Sixth Form.
- Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 8th November from 6pm until 8pm. Talks about transferring into the Sixth Form will take place in Newton Hall. Parents and students will be able to obtain subject specific information from our specialist teachers in the Sports Hall. The talks themselves are at 6.30pm and 7pm.
- We would also like to invite you to look around Norton Lodge. This is a building specifically for the Sixth Form. On the evening of the 8th November you will be able to meet some of the Sixth Form students and get their perspective on Sixth Form life at King Edward’s. There will also be an opportunity to meet our dedicated Sixth Form Learning Mentors and Careers & HE Coordinator.
- Subject presentations are given to students in lessons and assemblies during November and December.
- Mock exams – these will take place in the week beginning Monday 26th November, and provide an important opportunity for students to sit formal examinations before their GCSEs in the summer. I would encourage all Year 11 to take their mock exams seriously as they provide the Sixth Form Team and myself with a good indication of their potential. We are planning to hold a “results day” on Wednesday 19th December, when all results will be provided to Y11.
- Reports ‘go-live’ via SIMS ParentApp on Thursday 20th December 2018 followed by Year 11 Parents’ Evening on Wednesday 6th February.
- Students submit their Sixth Form Application Form stating their option choices by Friday 1st February 2019 - we do our best to build our curriculum around student choices but this flexibility diminishes the closer we get to Easter.
- Each student will have an individual, informal interview in the spring term with a member of the Sixth Form Team to discuss their post-16 plans.

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- Applicants will receive a Conditional Offer Letter outlining the GCSE subjects and grades required for each of their A Level options. Members of the Sixth Form Team will be available on GCSE results day to discuss any issues that may arise.

Students will choose 3 subjects in Year 12 and continue with these subjects through to the end of Year 13. All students will undertake an additional A Level equivalent in the Pre-U Global Perspectives throughout Year 12 and 13. Well over 50% of our students receive offers from Russell Group Universities that include University of Leeds, University of Manchester, Durham University, Newcastle University and University of York. These leading universities also allow our students to mix and match their A Level and Pre-U results.

By the end of Year 12 we expect all our students to be working well towards their target grades: the majority of KEVIGS target grades at A Level are an A, B or C grade. Where there are concerns about progress then students and their parents will be invited in during July to discuss their progress with the Director of Sixth Form to identify any additional support or intervention that is required in Year 13. This will include a review of the individual's A Level courses, to ensure that the curriculum being followed maximises the student's chances of success.

While students do not need to submit their Sixth Form Application Form until Friday 1st February, it is vital that much of their thinking and research about the future is done before this date so that they can make informed, thoughtful choices. To help the decision making process there will be a number of 'Sixth Form Experience Days' throughout Year 11. These 'experiences' will allow students to sample lessons from their chosen subjects, to find out about life in the Sixth Form, hear of our expectations, and discover how to formally enrol into the Sixth Form on GCSE Results Day - Thursday 22nd August 2019.

The Sutton Trust placed us in the Top 50 State Schools in the UK for A Level attainment and the Top 100 State Schools in the UK for University Success Rates. Over 10% of our students regularly gain places at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge or on Medicine, Veterinary Science and Dentistry courses. Each year we also support a number of students on alternative post A Level pathways including Apprenticeships, Armed Forces applications and gap years.

The vast majority of our students stay with us; however, some may want to explore other options as the focus of our academic curriculum may not be right. Please make the most of our events and advice to help you to discover what is best for your son/daughter. You can contact either of us or Miss Maidment (Assistant Head of Sixth Form) should you want a more in-depth discussion about alternative options.

We hope you have found this overview useful. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions. We look forward to meeting you over the next few months.

Yours faithfully

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