



12<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Students, Parents and Carers

## Sixth form open evening

Thank you to everyone that joined us at the Bourne End Academy sixth form open evening on Thursday. It was lovely to see some many parents back in the building and we hope it provided an informative and exciting platform for starting discussion with your child on their next steps. This will be the first time that students significantly narrow their subject choices. It is predicted that this generation will move between multiple careers. It is still important that at this stage students keep their portfolio as broad as possible. At Bourne End Academy we are exceptionally proud of the wide range of subject on offer and the quality of the teaching and learning that is in place for all sixth form students. Our teachers know our students and are able to offer a personalised approach to meeting their needs and ensuring they become successful leaders with every possible advantage.

Please [click here](#) to view our Sixth Form prospectus, subject guides and application form.

## Year 11 update

We are exceptionally impressed with the attitude and work ethic of Year 11. They are working exceptionally hard and have been outstanding role models for the rest of the academy since their return in September. We are exceptionally confident that this year group will be very successful and demonstrate the result of the journey Bourne End has been on over the past two years.

## Assessment

We have begun informal regular checkpoint in class assessments in Maths and English. We will now begin to build this in preparation for the November mocks exams. I have included the dates of the next sets of assessments in maths and English that will take place before the November mocks below.

- **Access arrangement will be provided for these assessments to ensure pupils can practice using this resource before the November mocks.**
- **We will not use this data as part of any evidence if we are required to provide teacher assessed or predicted grades for the summer 2022 GCSEs. As a result, we will not be sending grades or scores formally home to parents.**
- **Students will receive their marked papers back individually with clear feedback on how to improve by the shared dates below.**
- **There will be clear action plan shared with pupils and parents if we identify that students are not on track to reach their full potential.**

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Date	Subject	Papers moderated, marked and returned by
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>English (1hour 45mins)</b> English Language paper 1 <i>This is to identify gaps in pupils knowledge as this content was covers during the virtual school and will be retaught after autumn half term.</i>	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Mathematics (1 Hour)</b> Calculator	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Mathematics (1 Hour)</b> Non Calculator	
Mock Exams (15 <sup>th</sup> November – 26 <sup>th</sup> November) <b>Timetable will be released 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>		

### Intervention and attendance

It is essential that students are at school and accessing the intervention opportunities put in place for them. Students have a fixed amount of time left before the summer exams and we are confident that when they attend school they have access to high quality teaching and pastoral support.



### Champions hour

All year 11 students are invited to stay in school until 5pm Monday-Thursday in a supervised space where they can work together or independently to prepare for the summer exams or complete coursework. Champions hour will take place in the Sixth Study area alongside our Year 12 and 13 students to allow them to learn from their experiences and prepare for a more independent learning environment. Refreshments will be provided and pupils will be recognised for their attendance at these sessions.

### Communication

We want to keep you regularly updated on the successes in Year 11 and on important dates, deadlines, and events. We will be sending a fortnightly Year 11 bulletin for all student, parents, and carers. Keep an eye out this Friday for the first edition!

We would also like to remind you all that we will have the first in school student development consultation on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. This will be the perfect opportunity to meet with teachers and ensure that pupils have everything they need to prepare for the November mock exams.

Yours sincerely

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