

# Year 12 Information Evening 2021

**Welcome to  
Holmes  
Chapel  
Sixth Form  
College**



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## Welcomes and Introductions



**Mr Lowe**  
**Deputy Head**



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# Purpose of the evening:

- **Introduction to the Sixth Form College**
- **A Levels and BTECs explained**
- **Key Dates**
- **Useful Information**
- **Student Leadership Team**

*We will be available for questions at the end of the meeting*



# Motivation gets you started..

- **Habits lead to success**
- **Your role as parents**
- **Importance of reading**



# Outstanding GCSE Results 2021

Thank you all for the support so far in achieving this.

The best outcomes happen with a collaboration between the Student, Home and School.

**Our partnership continues in the Sixth Form.**



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# The journey continues...



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## **Year 12 Tutor Team**

**Mrs Morris-Brown; Mrs Jackson;**

**Mr Baker; Mrs Rietkerk;**

**Mrs Martin & Mrs Barlow-Davenport**



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# HC6F Support Hub



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**Mr Fu**  
**Director of Sixth Form**



**Mrs Greeney**  
**Sixth Form Student Manager**



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**Mrs Thomas**  
**6th Form Learning Intervention**



**Mrs Jackson**  
**Careers Adviser**

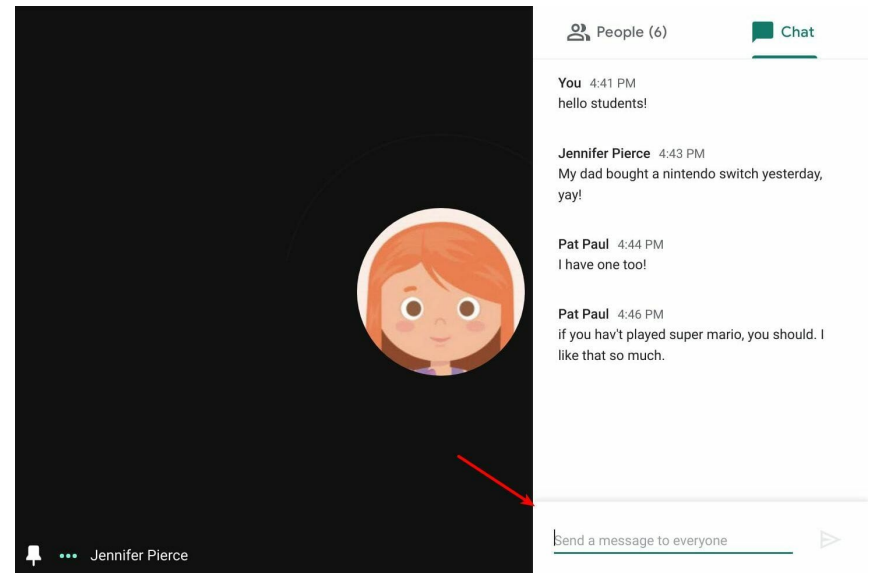


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# Questions?

Use the  
“chatbox” to  
text us your  
questions as  
we go along



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## Who is Mr. Fu?

Who is the person who will be directing the career of my child in these crucial two years?



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Master's Degree at  
Edinburgh University



Postgraduate at  
Oxford University



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7 Years in Sales and Marketing



10 years as Head of Humanities at HCCS



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# HC6F Support and Guidance

## **Besides academic support what else does HC6F offer?**

- Mentoring and Tutoring
- Regular Interim Reports
- Parents Evenings
- UCAS Convention
- University Visits



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# HC6F Support and Guidance

- Bespoke 6th Form facilities
- Coffee Shop
- Silent, Group and Independent Study Areas
- Social Areas
- Central Hub for 6th Form



# HC6F Support and Guidance

- Specialist Careers Advisor (Mrs Jackson)
- Guest Speakers for Careers
- Curriculum Enhancement (Wed PM): Work Experience; Duke of Edinburgh Award; EPQ; Core Maths; Sports for All; Study Skills
- Extracurricular Events: Road Safety; First Aid; Mental Health & Wellbeing; Financial Sense



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**Besides academic / pastoral support  
what else does HC6F offer?**

## **6th Form Leadership Opportunities**



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**Head Boy/ Girl Team  
Representing the Whole  
School & 6th Form**



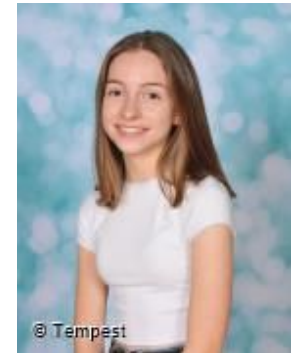
**Katie Garlick**



**James Dowd**



**Myles Grace**



**Heidi Clayton**



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**Molly Freer**

**Equality & Diversity  
Leaders**

**Laurence Manley**

**Emilia Cann**

**Community Leaders**

**Spencer Hope**

**Rachel Van Tonder**

**Sports Leaders**

**Grace Van Oss**

**Sixth Form Leadership Team 2021-22**



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**Samantha Keys**

**Welfare & Mentoring  
Leaders**

**Cam Padley**

**Evanthe Thirlwell**

**Charities Leaders**

**Alex Kyriacou**

**Sixth Form Leadership Team 2021-22**



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Your child is coming to a college where they can be a name not just an enrollment number



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# 6th Form Leadership Team

## Every Voice will be Heard

Our Sixth Form will develop a community that will:

- Be more tolerant and inclusive.
- Develop opportunities for sport, environmental change and important social issues.
- Strive to bridge the gap between different years.
- Leave a positive legacy for the next generation.
- Ensure every voice is heard without judgement or inaction.



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# Student life at HC6F

Massively different from secondary school:

- A willingness to participate is expected
- Independence is valuable and your teachers are there to help
- Classes are smaller, use this to your advantage
- You have more free time - use it





# Tips for Parents

- Ask the small questions.
- Be aware of key dates (plan ahead)
- Create a distraction free area.



# Tips for students out of school

- Maintain a good balance of social, study and work life:
  - Try and keep weekly shifts to a minimum, it's not worth the impact on your education
- Try to have a hobby/ sport to break up revision time and help you unwind.
- Organisation is key



# Tips for students in school

- Subjects are more intense at A-Level; make use of those study periods!
- Studying is important but so is your well being - don't compromise your mental health
- Work out the optimum amount of time studying, and reward yourself after completing those revision session.
- People are here to help - your teachers, Mr Fu, Mrs Greeney, parents, the leadership team, etc.



# Parental Support

## **Student absences:**

Please contact Sixth Form Office by 8:30 am on the day of an unplanned absence.

**Telephone Ext. Option 5**

**Or email [sixthform@hccs.info](mailto:sixthform@hccs.info)**



# Parental Support

Tutor Times are compulsory.

- Key Information
- Study Skills & **Right Habits**
- Mentoring
- Post-18 Guidance
- Students should arrive in college by 8:40am, Tutor 8:45am start.



# Parental Support

Reset your mindset about the timetable

- 50 hours of learning in a fortnight.
- Approx. 30 hours of lessons.
- 4 hours of Curriculum Enrichment
- 4-6 hours of SST (Supervised study)
- 10-12 hours of Independent Study Time.



# Parental Support

## 16 hours of Supervised and Independent Study Time

Most subjects will expect about 3 hours of self-study/ homework each week. 6 hours outside of lessons each fortnight.

- **Revision**
- **Research**
- **Reading**
- **Review**

For most of Y12 that's 18 hours each fortnight..





# Time Management

## Plan your time smartly

- **REVISION**
- Plan ahead
- Don't wait till last minute
- Little and often rather than cramming
- Active Revision
  - Create flashcards (Quizlet);
  - Test & quiz yourself;
  - Create own quizzes (Blooket & Kahoot);
  - Exam Practice Questions; Essay/ Answer Plans.
  - Colour Revision Grids or Clock revision sheets

Memory Recall



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# Time Management

## Plan your time smartly

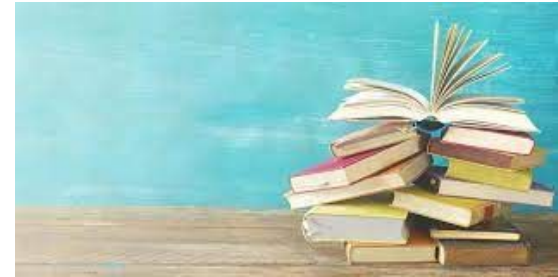
- **RESEARCH**
- Careful use of a RANGE of search terms or keywords
- Be patient and scan for the best SOURCE of information
- Not just the first search result
- Use Google Scholar- scan for similar works by the same writer
- Condense your results, not just copy and paste
- Evaluate your Best 10 facts, not the first



# Time Management

## Plan your time smartly

- **READING**
- Background reading is essential at KS5.
- Read AHEAD and set yourself up for success.
- It enhances your ability to access and progress in lessons.
- It allows a faster pace of lesson if the class has the core knowledge.
- A-Level lessons can then focus on the top end skills of analysis, evaluation, application etc.
- Read through a section at a time before starting to make notes so you can see the bigger picture before focusing on the details in your notes.



# Time Management

## Plan your time smartly

- **REVIEW**
- Go over your notes from a previous lesson to **consolidate, check and review your learning.**
- Go back over aspects of the lesson on Google Classroom.
- Can you do the **extension task** after the lesson?
- The morning or night before a lesson, review and remind yourself of what you did previously.
- It's like starting a lesson with a warm up, rather than a cold start.



# Time Management

## Plan your time smartly

- **REWARDS**
- Plan a REWARD for yourself
- Set yourself a SMART target
- E.g. 45 min to complete your notes
- Treat yourself to 10-15 minutes of “phone time”
- Or a hot chocolate from the Bistro!
- Or your favourite sitcom at home



# Parental Support

## Signing out

Students may sign out when they do not have a scheduled lesson or SST. Please do this using the card reader in Main Reception.



# Parental Support

- Appropriate clothing for a learning environment.
- ID badge must be worn at all times in College.





# Dress Code



Acceptable

Ready to study

Casual but  
Professional



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# Dress Code



This is NOT acceptable

No hot pants or  
excessive exposure of  
anything from your  
chest to your legs.



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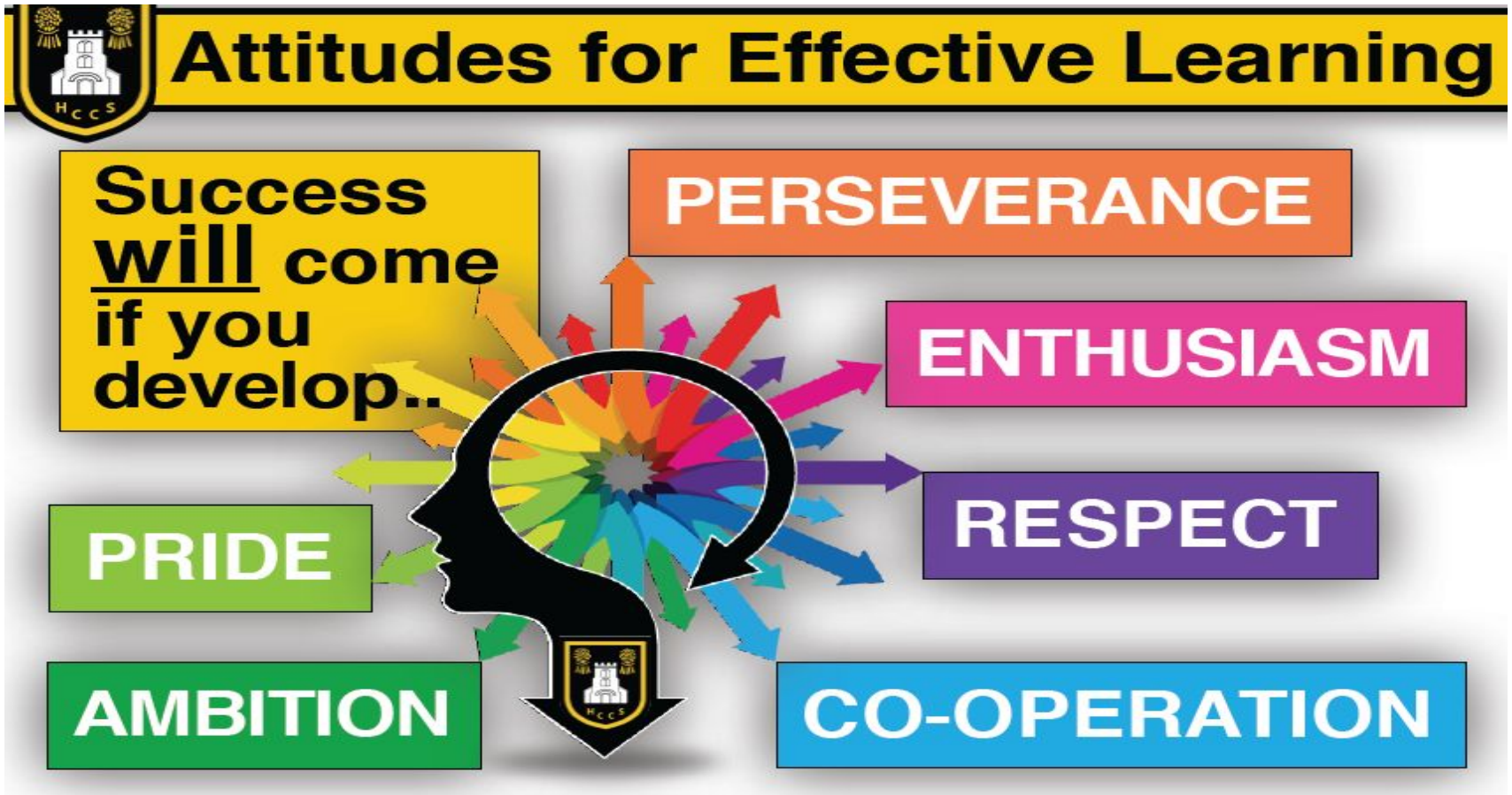
# Dress Code

Mrs Greeney and Mr Fu will make the final decision on what is acceptable and not acceptable.

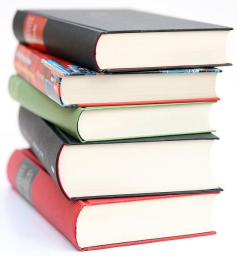
Students will be asked to return home to change if your clothing is inappropriate.



# Highest of expectations...



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# Bursary



The Bursary = financial support for students to level the playing field.

Extra money to support less privileged students.

It can be used for: travel, books, trips and essential equipment.

Contact Mrs Greeney if you believe that you may be eligible and would benefit from this extra support.



## Key Dates





# Key Dates

**Key Assessments - W/C 27th September**

**1st Interim Report - W/C 1st November**

**1st Y12 Parents Evening - Thur 25th November**

**2nd Interim Report - W/C 14th February**

**Y12 Post-18 Information Evening - Thur 9th June**

**Y12 Summer Progress Exams - W/C 27th June**

**2nd Y12 Parents Evening - Thur 14th July**

**3rd Interim Report - W/C 18th July**



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# Key Assessment week

Teachers will determine the student's suitability to the course. This will be indicated (1-3).

If the course is deemed as not suitable then a conversation will take place between teacher, student and parent to agree a way forward.

**We want the right students on the right courses to ensure their success!**





# Internal assessment weeks

## Progression Exams: June/ July

Students will need to **pass** these exams in order **to progress** with a particular subject into Year 13.



# Home-College Communication

**Please see HCCS website for:**

- School calendar
- Fortnightly newsletter

**Letters will be sent home by email**



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# Home-College Communications

**Director of Sixth Form:**

**Mr Fu** [eddie.fu@hccs.info](mailto:eddie.fu@hccs.info)



**Sixth Form Student Manager:**

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**Careers Advisor:**

**Mrs Jackson** [emma.jackson@hccs.info](mailto:emma.jackson@hccs.info)

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# Question & Answer Time



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