# **UKAT Sixth Form Newsletter**



Dear Parent and Carers,

Welcome to UKAT Sixth Form. It is usually this time of year where we have our Year 12 Information evening and we are able to meet you all and share any key information that you may find useful in supporting your child in their level 3 studies.

I cannot believe how this term is flying by and am pleased to say that Year 12 have made a very positive start in their studies at school and more recently during the online lessons that have been set. Please do not hesitate to contact the team should you or your child have any queries or issues that will assist us in ensuring they feel fully supported and thus thrive during their time with us.

#### Emma Perkin

Director of UKAT Sixth Form

#### Top Tips!

Staying in touch is vital to being successful. All students have a school email address, and this is the first point of contact between them, their teachers, and the Sixth Form team. We would ask that students check their emails regularly to keep updated with important information. Likewise, please keep us updated as to absences and lateness as soon as possible.

With students moving to-and-from our two sites as well as arriving at various times in the day for lessons, it is crucial that they sign-in and out so as we know who is in at each site at any given time. We are delighted to be able to offer students a flexible structure to their week, where they can study away from school in their free periods, but we need to keep everyone safe.

We are always available for our students and would encourage them to drop in and see us if they have questions or concerns about anything. We never underestimate how far a quick chat can go toward solving a problem!

And finally, it is never too soon to start organising and revising. We encourage all our students to get a head start on preparing for their exams. Small amounts of revision over a long period of time helps our brains to consolidate and retain learning much more effectively than trying to 'cram' later. We may have only just got underway but now is the perfect time to begin those small steps towards success in summer 2022!

### Study Guides

All Year 12 students will be provided an Independent Study Guide this week by their Personal Tutors. This is meant to provide them with some top tips and reassure them that we are here to support them in their A levels and BTECs. There is a very large jump from GCSE to Level 3 study, and we want to ensure that our students are using their time in and out of lessons wisely by providing them with some top tips and techniques to help them achieve success.

During PPD sessions this term, staff will be covering some key aspects of level 3 study skills to complement the information being sent.



# October 2020

# **Upcoming Events**

**End of Term 1** 

October 16th 2020

**Start of Term 2** 

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

## <u>Key Mini Assessments</u> 02/11/2020 - 27/11/2020

All Year 12 students will complete a mini assessment for every subject that they are currently studying. This will be examination style questions designed to start to prepare you for the final examinations. All students will be issued with timetables to help them organise their revision.

These assessments will be crucial as they are the first time that many of the students will have sat an exam style paper for their Level 3 subjects and it will be an ideal opportunity for them to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding.

### **Careers Advice**

For students planning on going to University in 2022, now is the time to start your research. Universities are offering Virtual Open Days and these dates will be posted on their individual websites.

"Find out what you like doing best and get someone to pay you for doing it".

Katherine Whitehorn.