



*Year 11 and beyond*

*14<sup>th</sup> November 2014*



## Year 11 Key Dates

6 <sup>th</sup> November	Consortium Information Evening
11 <sup>th</sup> November	<i>Moving On</i> CED
12 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Mock exams
	<i>Into the Sixth Form</i> Evenings:
8 <sup>th</sup> January	Verulam
13 <sup>th</sup> January	Beaumont
15 <sup>th</sup> January	Sandringham
15 <sup>th</sup> January	CED - Year 11 Guidance Meetings
20 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 11 Parent Consultation Evening
6 <sup>th</sup> February	Sixth Form application deadline



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11 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSEs begin. Exam leave begins
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	GCSEs end. Year 11 clearance.
24 <sup>th</sup> / 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sixth Form Induction – compulsory for those returning
20 <sup>th</sup> August	GCSE results day
21 <sup>st</sup> August	Post-results surgery
25 <sup>th</sup> August	Deadline for return of Sixth Form confirmation forms
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Enrolment



## Controlled Assessment

Yr11 Calendar of Assessment											
	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	
English			CA			CA			EXAM		
Maths											
Triple Science	ISA				ISA		ISA				
Double Science	ISA						ISA				
French											
German											
Spanish											
GCSE PE	CA	CA					EXAM				
BTEC SPORT	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA			CA
BTEc Dance	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA			CA
Technology	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA			
Art									EXAM		
Music	CA	CA			CA	CA	CA	CA			
Drama	CA	CA	CA						EXAM		
Performaing Arts	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA			
Geography		CA	CA	CA					EXAM		
History	CA	CA	CA								
Phil and Ethics											
Business & Economics	CA										
BTEc Business	CA	CA	EXAM	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA		
Computing	CA	CA	CA	CA							
ICT	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA						

Key:	
ISA	Science Practical Assessment
CA	Controlled Assessment
EXAM/ FINAL PERFORMANCE/PEICE	Exam
EX	Final Exam
	Mock Exam Week

For languages check board in languages to know if CA or exam. Different languages in different months.



## Support for students – coping with GCSEs

- Revision planning
- Personal organisation
- Managing stress
- Revision sessions closer to exams
- Key – good attendance, keep up to date with work at school

## Support for students – Moving On

- Moving on CED
- Senior staff meetings
- Pastoral staff
- Parent Consultation Evening
- Connexions – anyone can have an appointment, strongly recommended if you are planning to move elsewhere post-16



## Myths ...

“Nobody revises for mock exams”

“Everybody does badly in mock exams”

“Everybody goes up at least one grade between their mocks and the real thing”

“If I do OK in the subjects I want to study for A-level it doesn't matter about the rest”



## In fact ...

- There is less time to revise for mocks – but you need to do some!
- A typical student will go up 5 grades in total between mocks and the real exams – but there is huge variation
- It does matter for 6<sup>th</sup> form entry as we look at the average points achieved as well as individual grades
- With the planned changes to A-levels, GCSE performance may become more important as an indicator for universities



## Where to next?

- Sixth Form?
- College?
- Training and Apprenticeships?





# How the Sixth Form is organised

4 subjects in year 12 most common

3 subjects minimum study programme

5 subjects only possible with Further Maths

6 lessons per subject per week typically

Generally 2 teachers per subject

A small number of study periods

4 hours of home study per subject each week



Art

Biology

Chemistry

Drama

English

French

Further Maths

Geography

German

History

Maths

Music

PE

Physics

Spanish

Economics\*

Economics and Business\*

Government and Politics\*

Philosophy and Ethics \*

Photography\*

Psychology\*

Sociology\*

BTEC level 3 Business\*

BTEC level 3 Sport\*

Cambridge Tech ICT\*



## ... available outside Beaumont

Computer Science ( Sand)

Dance (Sand)

Design Tech (Sand/Ver – check school for options)

Media Studies\* (Sand/Ver)

Music Technology\* (Sand/Ver)

Textiles (Sand)



## Appropriate Combinations

- Play to strengths
- Breadth is good but randomness is not
- Good to have two “facilitating subjects” if you are aiming for a highly competitive university (Sciences, Maths, English, MFL, Hist/Geog)
- However, not a sensible choice if you are likely to do badly at them



## Some examples of university courses

**Computing:** Maths

**Economics:** Maths plus Humanities/Langs

**Engineering:** Maths plus Physics

**Law:** History, English, Politics, Phil & Eth, Langs

**Theatre Studies:** Drama plus English

**Medical Science:** Chemistry plus Biology

We are aware of no courses which specify more than 2 essential subjects

# Entry criteria

- B grade in the subject and/or related subjects
- Average points score of **39** [ 43 for Maths, Biology, Chemistry or Physics ]
- Mocks give a clear indication of whether students are on track to be offered a place



## Further information and advice

- Jackie Duffy / Claire Blanchard Connexions PAs  
– in library for drop-ins on Tuesday, individual appointments
- School careers blog:  
<http://careersatbeaumontschool.blogspot.co.uk>
- Sixth Form Blog:  
<http://sixthformatbeaumontschool.blogspot.co.uk>
- School website: Sixth Form area
- BSV: [www.beausandver.org.uk](http://www.beausandver.org.uk)

# What now?

- Prepare for the mock exams!
- Do some research on courses and entry criteria (last year's info: [beausandver.org.uk](http://beausandver.org.uk))
- Check if there are any specific requirements IF you have a particular career in mind
- Come to the January evening with a shortlist of subjects





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*Thank you for coming*

**Please ask if you have  
any specific enquiries**