

SHOREHAM SIXTH FORM

YEAR 12 PARENT INFORMATION

STARTING SOON













Expectations & successful mindset

Working together

Essentials

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"Aspirational, hard-working students with excellent achievement"



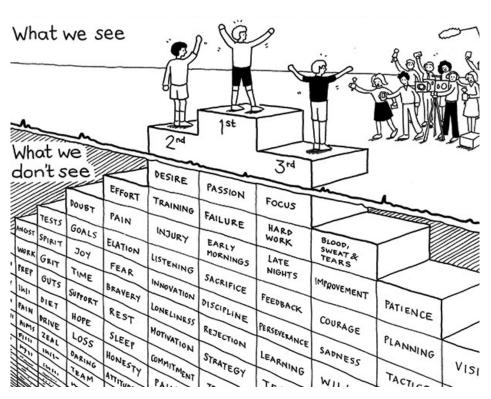




HARD WORK V EXCELLENCE







THE ICEBERG ILLUSION







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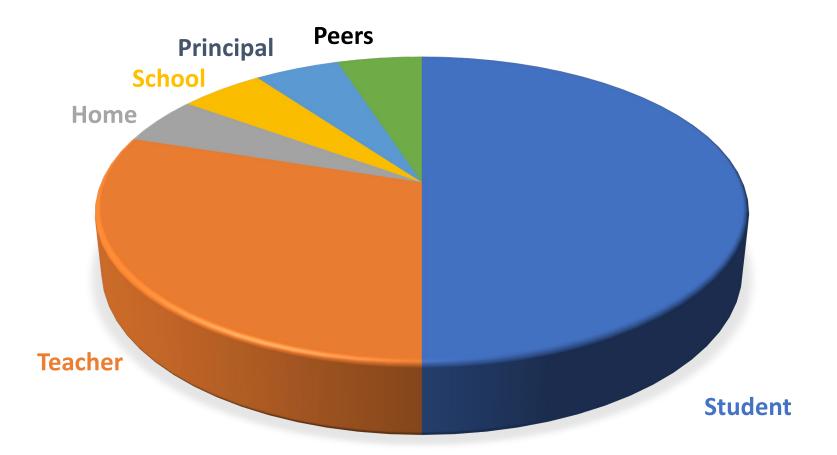


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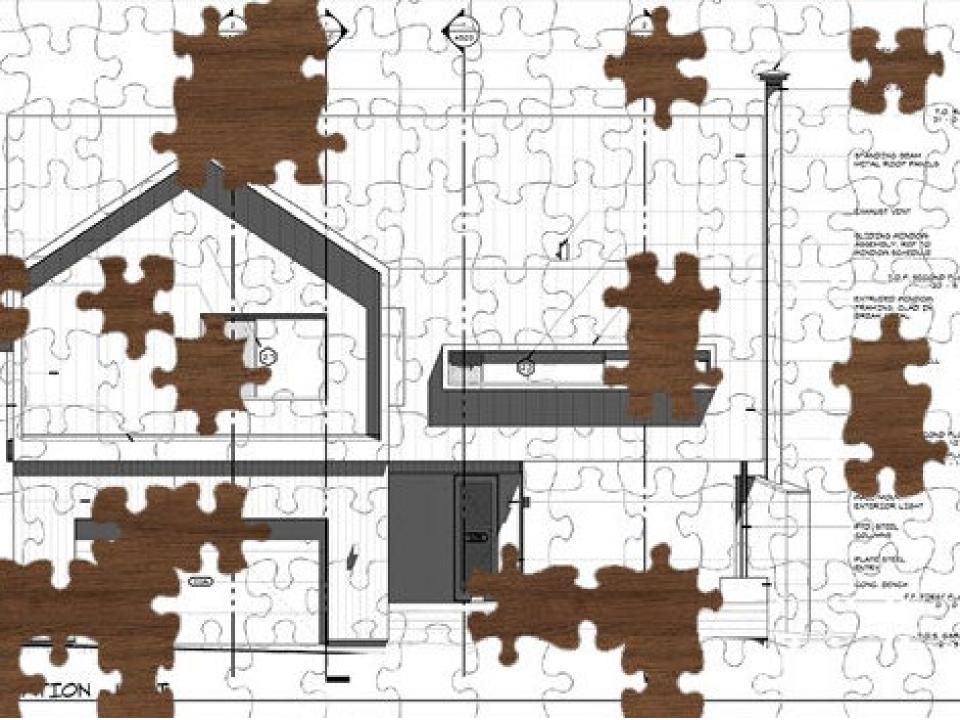
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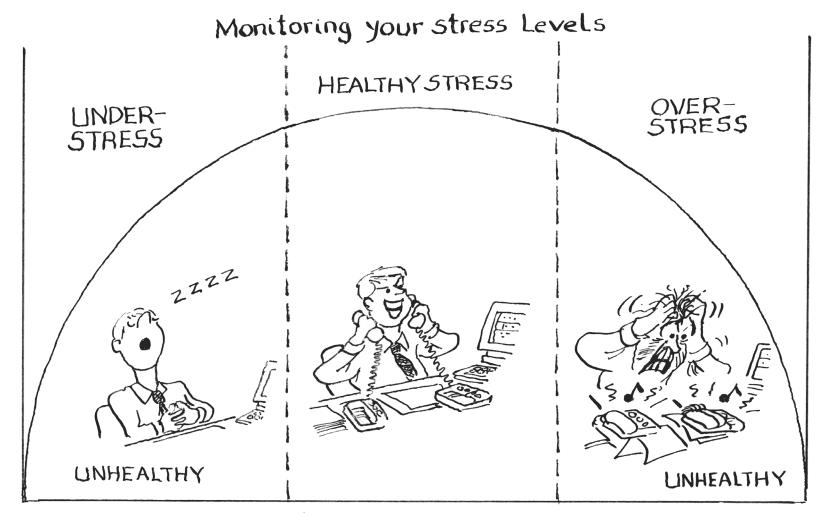
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When students get their timetable it will look very different to a timetable in year 11.



The gaps in their timetable are to give flexibility.
Students need to be in control of how they use this time.



Students need to complete 12 hours weekly of independent study. This is a minimum and they might need to do a lot more. A* students complete 25 to 30 per week.



These hours won't happen automatically, they need to make their routine and then stick to it.

Developing and sticking to successful habits and routines

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College Day structure

8.30 – 9	Mentor time
9 – 10	P2
10 – 11	P3
11 – 11.20	Break
11.20-12.20	P4
12.20-1.20	P5
1.20 -2	Lunch
2 – 3	P6
3 – 4	P7
4 – 6	Silent Study

Work in college:

• As a sixth former students have additional spaces.

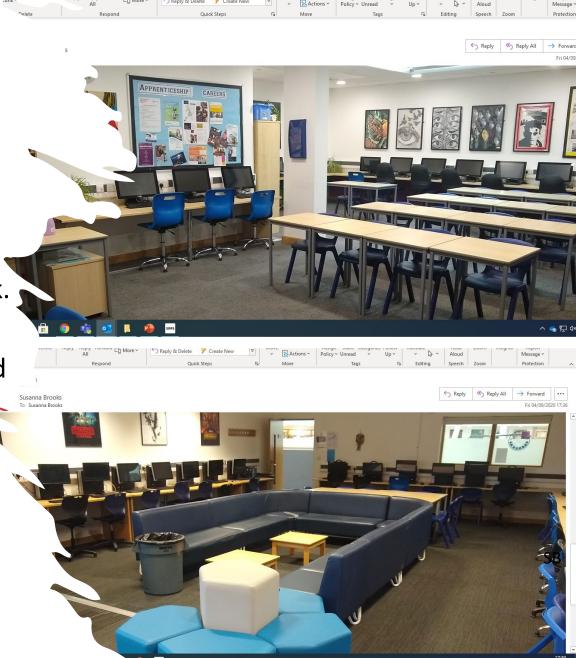
The library is for silent work.

• There will be extra laptops.

 These rooms are supervised to ensure you can study effectively.

Use the growing Sixth Form Library of books!

 We are open until late for study



Meeting

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Part time work: Delayed Gratification...

Part time work and A-level success







Future Focused

Key Dates



- Year 12
- Baseline Assessments 23rd September in class
- 30th September Destination Workshops Mentor time students will complete work on destinations and support for careers.
- Baseline report mid October
- Sixth Form Open Evening 7th November

Later in the year:

Parents evening in the Spring

End of year assessments in July

Post – 18 Destinations Information Evening



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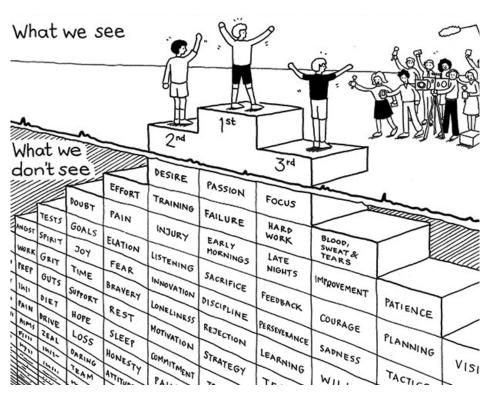


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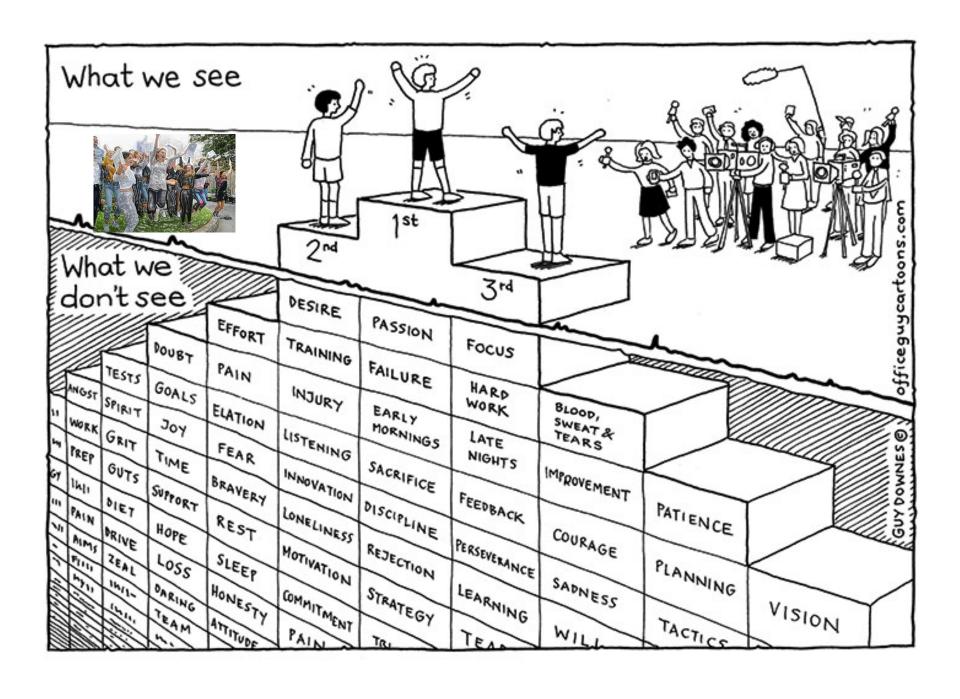




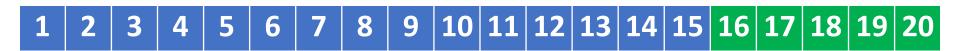


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How much work should students be doing?



15 hours of independent study is a core expectation in year 12.

As we approach exams this year, students should be achieving at least 20 hours of study outside of lessons.

How can I help my child stay motivated?



Routine



Positive reinforcement and praise

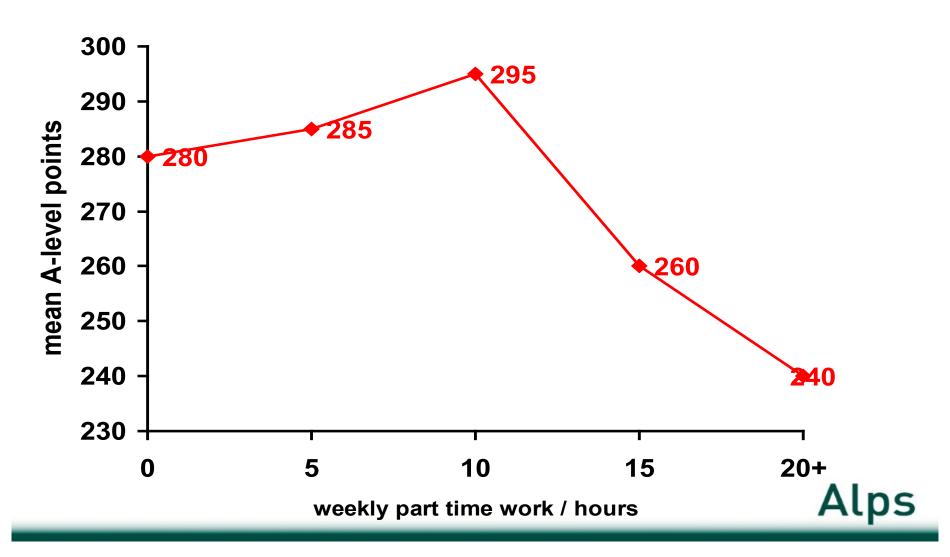


The end goal – university applicant days and offers, appointments with careers advisor



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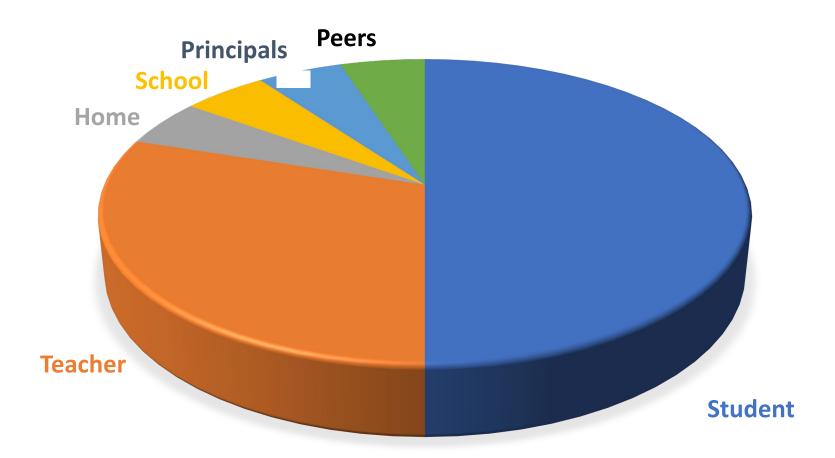




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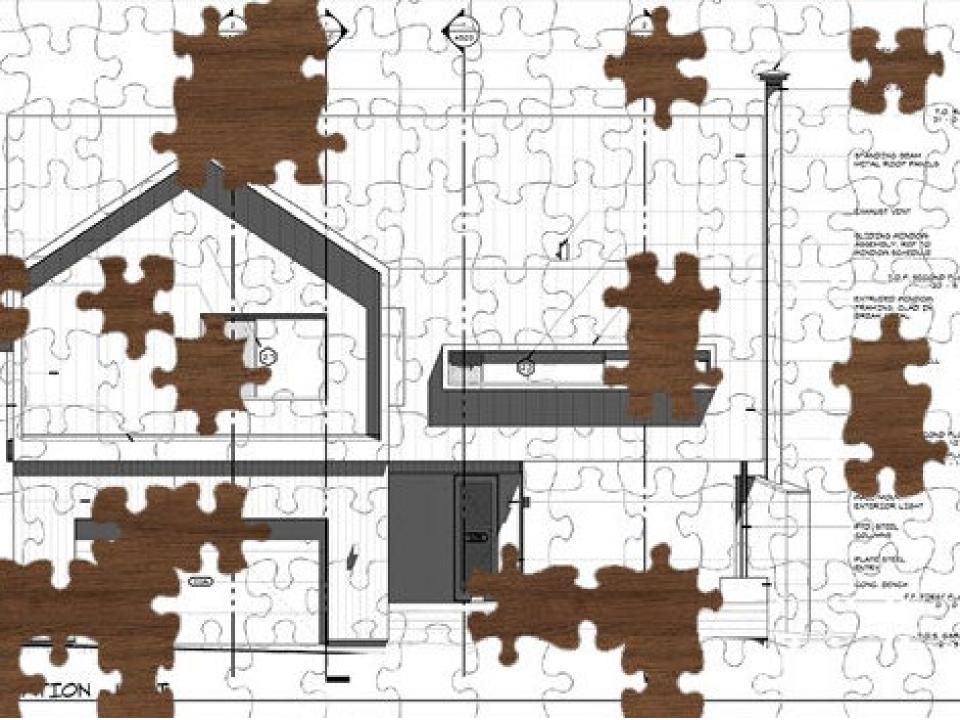
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3-5 study sessions

Past Paper Thursdays Pastoral, stress and mental health support.

'The Pomodoro Method'



There are six steps in the technique:

- 1. Decide on the task to be done.
- 2. Set the Pomodoro timer (traditionally to 25 minutes).
- 3. Work on the task until the timer rings.
- 4. After the timer rings, put a checkmark on a piece of paper.
- 5. If you have fewer than four '25 minute sessions" take a short break (3–5 minutes), then go to step 2.
- 6. After four pomodoros, take a longer break (15–30 minutes), reset your timer to zero, then go to step 1.







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- First Year 13 report card October
- Destination Workshops 30th September students will be focussed on Personal Statements and applications in mentor.
- Year 13 mock exams 11th 18th November
- University application deadline: Friday 13th December

Later in the year:

January 22nd Year 13 parents' evening

February Mocks

Public exams begin early May

Year 13 prom at the start of July

Thinking of University?



We encourage all students to apply to university. It enables students to keep their options open, and avoids a lastminute application or disappointment.



All students will write a Personal Statement as part of their application.



The college deadline for university applications is Friday 8th December.

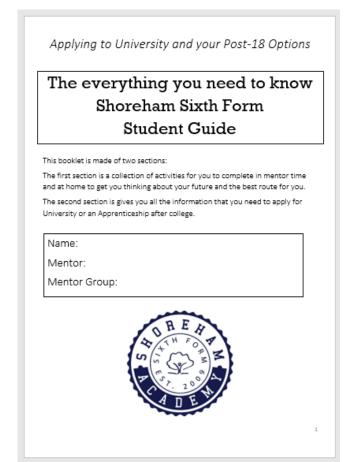


We encourage students to attend University Open Days where possible.

Support at Shoreham Sixth Form:

People who can support:

Mentors
Anne Hopkins
Irrum Magre
Billy Wood
Subject teachers
Sixth Form Team



Facilities to support:

UCAS student booklet
Unifrog
Work Experience Week
The Silent Study Room









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