# Year 10 Essential Information Evening 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019

A parent questionnaire link will be emailed soon, please take the time to complete it. We really value your views





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# Speakers

Mr M Brown – Headteacher



Mr C Dunn – Head of Year



Mr D Jones – Assistant Headteacher



## Year 10

- Key Stage 4 = five terms
- Personalised curriculum
- Linear courses, the challenge of retaining knowledge and personal organisation
- Accessing course materials School I.T. system Resources/subjects/\_lesson overview
- Character Education personal qualities

# **GCSE Changes**

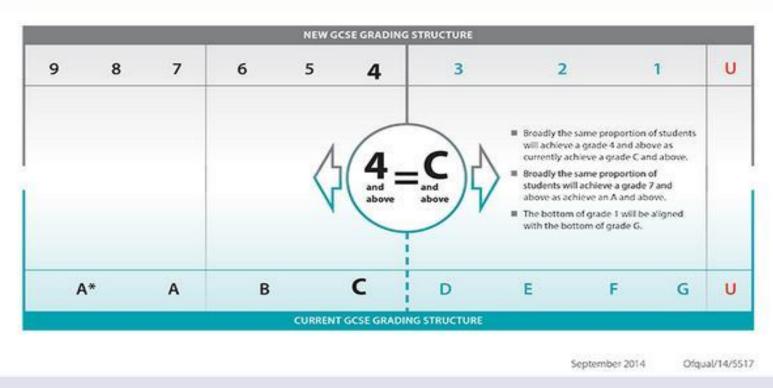
- The challenge of linear exams
- An increase in the number of exams
- New grading system



#### **New GCSE Grades**

**Grading the New GCSEs in 2017** 







# **Parental Support**

 Studies have shown that parental support of children is one of the most effective factors in ensuring GCSE success

 You do not need to be an expert on every GCSE subject to have an impact

# **Top Tips**

- Ensure that your child attends every day if possible. For the majority of subjects, lesson content can only be covered once
- Don't accept 'I've got no homework' students can always be revising content – revision resources are on the school website in the curriculum areas
- Ensure that your child has a suitable place to study with all the required materials and avoiding distractions
- Encourage alternative methods of study- e.g. subject related TV programmes, newspaper articles
- Let the school know if your child is experiencing any difficulties with any element of their personal or school life



#### **Attendance**

#### 175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR

to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and appointments

100% - 95%	GOOD	Best chance of success
Under 95%	WORRYING	Less chance of success
Under 90%	SERIOUS CONCERN	Very difficult to succeed

Attendance	5 or more A*-C including English and Maths 2015	5 or more A*-C including English and Maths 2016	5 or more 4+ including English and Maths 2017	5 or more 4+ including English and Maths 2018
95%+	80%	86%	80%	78%
90% - 94.9%	51%	68%	44%	65%
Less than 90%	14%	24%	25%	8%

# What impact does attendance have on exam results?

Research suggests that

17 missed school days a year =

GCSE grade **DROP** in achievement (DfE)

The greater the attendance

The greater the achievement



# The importance of Year 10 The time-scale of courses. 5 terms!

Assessments
Target Grades/Reports



# Year 10 Assessment Schedule 2019-20

Subjects with 100% examined assessment

- English Language and English Literature
- Maths
- Science
- History
- French, German, Spanish and Italian\*
- Religious Education

Most other subjects reduced coursework component



# **Target Grades and Reports**

- Targets for the end of Key Stage 4 (end of Year 11)
- Targets are aspirational and anticipate very good progress (equivalent to the top 20% nationally)
- Students can exceed targets

- Uses prior performance data and teacher knowledge of students
- By the end of Year 10
   we expect most
   students to be within 1
   grade of their target

# **Key Dates**

- Target setting process started this week
- Progress tracked against targets
- Progress reports Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019
- Written reports Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020
- Consultation Evening Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020
- Additional English Mock Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020
- Assessments Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020
- Assessment Results Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

# Post-16 Planning Week July 2020

- A week of activities to support students as they start to think about their post-16 plans
- Sixth Form taster lessons
- Work Experience
- Visit to the University of Sussex
- Talks from employers
- Information about apprenticeships
- Mock interview preparation and practice



### **Work Experience**

- Students were briefed on 16<sup>th</sup> October
- Post 16 Planning Week choices to be made week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> October
- If your son or daughter chooses Work
   Experience week and is interested in high
   demand work experience placements eg:
   Engineering, Animal Care/Vets, Healthcare,
   Software Design they should start
   investigating this now.

# **Update of Contact Details**

It is vital that we always have up to date contact details of our parents/carers

If anything has changed please log in to SIMS Parent and complete the data collection sheet

