

Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School

Sixth Form

Welcome and induction briefing

September 2024



Presentation Contents



- Welcome and introductions
- The sixth form journey
- Bursary (financial support)
- ALPS, academic progress and assessment

Key Staff



Headteacher

Mrs McIlroy

Deputy Headteacher

Mr Wakefield

Joint Head of Sixth Form and HOY 13

Mr Larter

Joint Head of Sixth Form and HOY 12

Mr Finn-Kelcey

KS5 Support and Careers

Miss Slane

KS5 Student Support and Supervision

Mr Cowlam

Form Tutors



I2Q - Mrs Reece

I2E - Mrs Woods

I2G - Mrs Dowding

I2S - Mrs Stallard

I2F - Miss Stanko

I2K - Mrs Higbee, Mrs Parker, Miss Rayner

Examinations 2024 - A levels



GRADES	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)
A*-A	29.7	28.6	30.3
A*-B	61.5	60.6	56.5
A*-C	84.1	83.0	79.9

Year 13 Destinations -2024



Pathway	% of students
University	78
Oxbridge	5
Russell Group	44
Apprenticeship	6
Employment	4
Gap Year	13

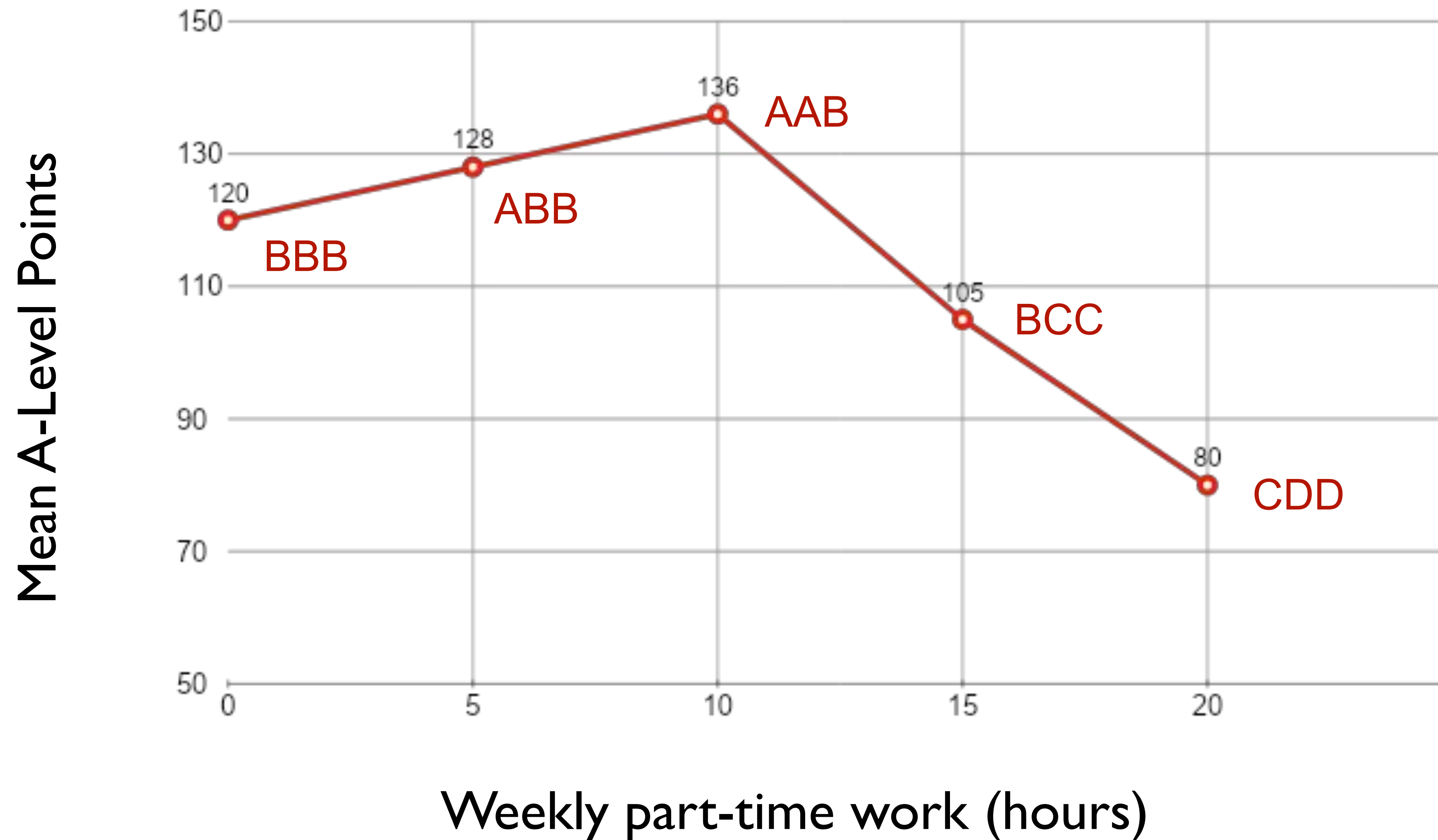
Sixth Form Agreement

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- Absence procedures and lateness
- Private study periods
- Predicted grades



Part-time work and A-level success





The Sixth Form Journey

3 main elements to the “step up”....



- The step up in INTENSITY OF WORK
- The step up in INDEPENDENT STUDY
- The step up in SYNOPTICITY

The Journey through Sixth FormYear 12



- Those golden early weeks....
- The “Long Winter”.....
- The build-up to year 12 exams....
- The summer of future possibilities.....

Time to hear from some of our students...



Which bits of Year 12 did you “get right”?

Which aspects could you have “done better”?

The Journey through Sixth FormYear 13



- The ‘Big Pinch-Point’...
- The build-up to Year 13 internal exams.
- The “Long Spring”
- The “Final Furlong”.



Tips for success...

- Turn up- NOTHING is more impactful than attendance
- Sticking to deadlines is now a basic expectation.
- A level work is **material to master** not **a job to get through**.
- Keep work organised in folders & online- stuff will pile up v quickly
- Use study periods & home study time effectively.
- “I’ve finished all my work” is not something a sixth former who understood A level would ever say.

Wednesday enrichment activities



- Debating
- QUEST - Science Research Groups
- Sports
- Artsmark (Student Directors, Art club, Film Club, Cookery, Tech)
- Ideaworks
- Volunteering/Work Experience

16 – 19 Bursary 2024/2025



A Bursary award can be allocated to students with stretched household incomes as well as current Pupil Premium students.

We can offer financial support to purchase the following;

- Transport e.g. Bus pass, Train tickets etc.
- Books/Stationery
- Equipment e.g. Football boots for PE students, IT - such as Chromebooks etc.
- Course Curriculum Trips and other course related costs
- Cost of attending university open days and interviews



Please come and speak to us about qualifying for Bursaries after this event

BURSARY FUND

- Bursary expense claims PDF
- Bursary Application Form 2024 25 PDF
- QEGS 16 19 Bursary Self Declaration Form 2024 25 PDF
- QEGS 16 19 Bursary Student Policy 24 25 PDF
- QEGS 6th Form Contract 16 19 Bursary Fund 1 PDF

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Welcome to the Sixth Form

Thinking About Joining Queen ...

Applying to the Sixth Form

Sixth Form Open Evening 2025

Summer Tasks & Required Boo...

Year 12

Year 13

Sixth Form Calendar

Post-18 Options

Sixth Form Pastoral Support

Bursary Fund

<https://www.queenelizabeths.kent.sch.uk/learning/sixth-form/bursary-fund/>

Looking ahead



- Students need to engage with the career planning provision
- All students will have an initial 15 minute career meeting this term with Miss Slane
- Very specific preparation for some routes, including an Oxbridge preparation programme.

Mentoring



- 1:1 Mentoring takes place during form time with form tutors
- Students will discuss their progress at least once per term but more frequently if more support is needed
- Extra support is available from subject areas via Google Classroom, from subject teachers, and the Sixth Form team

Assessment



- Students are assessed formally at regular intervals (Interim Assessments) 17th October
- This takes into account factors such as attitude to learning and academic progress, engagement in lessons, attendance, use of study time and meeting deadlines
- ALPS targets - published (tomorrow) 20th September

Monitoring academic progress



ALPS Targets

- An average 'points score' is calculated for each student based on their GCSE results
- This is used to set *realistic* target grades

ALPS - calculation from GCSE



ALPS targets are only based on GCSE results

Other Level 2 qualifications are not included

Results	Points
1 x grade 5	5
1 x grade 9	9
1 x grade 8	8
2 x grade 7	14
3 x grade 6	18
Average Score = Total points/number of entries	$54/8 = 6.75$

Using your GCSE score to find your ALPS bands



Average GCSE POINTS	MINIMUM EXPECTED GRADE
7.75 +	A/A*
7.0 < 7.75	A
6.55 < 7.0	B
6.10 < 6.55	B
5.65 < 6.10	B/C
5.21 < 5.65	B/C
4.77 < 5.21	C
4.37 < 4.77	C

61.5% of all grades were A*-B last year but not all students achieving those grades had A*- B targets.

This student would have a B grade ALPS target for all subjects.

ALPS is a minimum expected grade and a starting point to work from. Many students exceed their targets.

Keys to Success...



- Attendance
- Ask for help when you need it
- Have a plan for studying each day and stick to it
- A Positive mindset makes a huge difference
- Research careers now
- Get involved in other activities

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