Welcome to the Sixth Form at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School





Introduction

Welcome to Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School Sixth Form and congratulations on achieving the results you needed to start studying your chosen A Levels.

After what has been an unprecedented and

challenging 2 years, we hope that you will be able to take every advantage of this wonderful opportunity and look forward to helping you through this critical stage of your education.

This document will help to guide you through the first few days of the new term. On the following pages you will find a variety of useful resources, information and links including;

- First Day Timetable
- School Map
- Who's who of school staff
- Admissions documents

- Extra curricular clubs
- Student top tips
- IT support
- Year 12 calendar

Getting Prepared

Before the first day:

- New students should complete and return the <u>admission forms</u> and bring any additional necessary documentation prior to the 5th of September - please see the Post-Induction letter for more information.
- Please complete the <u>Summer Tasks</u> for each subject you are planning to study and bring evidence of completion to your first day of lessons on Monday 5th September.



- Please read through the <u>Sixth Form Agreement</u> which can be found in the Sixth Form Section of the school website. Please pay particular attention to the dress code and daily requirements of the Sixth Form students.
- Check the <u>Required Books List</u> for your subjects.

First Day programme - 5th September

Time	Event	Who for?
8.30	Meet & Greet	German exchange students
8.45	Registration in form groups	
8.55 - Period 1	Lessons begin as normal	
10.35 - 10.55	Form Tutor Time Spend time with your tutors, checking timetables, looking at enrolment forms and discussing future plans	ALL
10.55 - 11.15	New students to report to the 6th Form Office for a first day meeting	Students new to Queen Elizabeth's

Map of school



Year 12 Calendar 2022/2023

Date/Month	Event	Description
August - 25, 26, 30, 31 September 1, 2	Enrolment Days	Successful external applicants to bring in application forms or come to school to complete in person.
Monday 5th September	Term starts	All students
Friday 9th September	Smart Day	Smart day is every Friday.
During 1st week of September	Photo Day	Another smart day for your calendars. The school will be taking photos for the new prospectus.
Early September	Year 12 Information Evening	
November	Interim Assessments	First set of progress results - based on classroom tests and submitted work
January	Year 12	Opportunity for parents to discuss progress with

	Parents Evening	subject teachers. Can be virtual or F2F.
February	Work Experience Days	2 days off timetable for students to gain experience. School based with option for guest speakers.
March	Interim Assessments	Second set of progress results - based on classroom tests and submitted work
March	Post-18 Options Evening	The Sixth Form Team will present the opportunities available to students after Sixth Form and how the school will support students.
May	Predicted Grade Exams	End of Year examinations. Results to form part of UCAS Predicted Grades.
May/June	Predicted Grade Examination results	Exam results disseminated to students.

Clubs

• QuEST - Queen Elizabeth's Engineering, Science and



- Technology club you can stay up to date by joining the Google Classroom using the following code - gbragkc
- MedSoc Medicine Society. For all students looking at a career in healthcare.
- Sports The school runs teams for Football, Athletics and Rugby but gives students the opportunity to create their own teams and have previously done so for Netball, Basketball and Cricket.
- Debate Club run by the Social Sciences department and enters competitions.

Daily Timetable*

Lesson
Registration
Period 1
Period 2
Form Time / Break
Period 3
Period 4
Lunch
Period 5
Period 6
End of School Day

*Thursdays will have a 3pm finish and lessons will be adjusted accordingly

Who's Who at Queen Elizabeths



Mr Larter - Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 5 & Designated Safeguarding Lead, Head of Year 13



Mr Finn-Kelcey - Joint Head of Sixth Form and Head of Year 12



Miss Slane - Key Stage 5 Learner Support and Careers Advice & Guidance Coordinator



Mr Cowlam - Key Stage 5 Learner Supervisor, Student Administrator and Online Safety Coordinator

Other Useful Contacts

Mr Anderson - Headmaster Mrs McIlroy - Assistant Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Percy - Special Educational Needs Coordinator Mrs Hewitt - Examinations Officer

School IT

New students are required to complete a Google Form to gain access to the WiFi on a personal device. You can access this form by clicking <u>here</u>.

For IT support queries you can email <u>icthelpdesk@queenelizabeths.kent.sch.uk</u> or head to the IT office on B-Corridor.

FAQ's

Can I change subjects? Yes. The first 2-3 weeks of term are available for you to alter your choices.

How many study periods do you get? Most students get about 10 study periods per week, but a bit less if you do 4 A Levels.

How hard are A Levels? The transition from GCSE to A Level is a significant one. The amount of notes you need to take, the number of tests and the further reading required will all go up.

Should I take 3 or 4 A Level subjects? Most Universities will make an offer of 3 Grades which means taking 3 A Levels, plus an Enhancement Subject is usually ideal.

What can I wear on a non-smart day? We recommend smart casual attire. We allow sports clothing on Wednesdays only if you are taking part in physical activity during Games. Check the <u>Sixth Form Agreement</u> for more details.

Top tips

- Find a routine that suits you and try to stick to it. Make sure it has room for study, revision and breaks.
- Utilise your study periods. Your timetable has 10 a week which means you have plenty of time to stay up to date with your work.
- Start thinking about your career early. There's no pressure to choose but it helps with finding opportunities and experiences.
- Be actively engaged with your teachers both in- and outside of lessons....they are here to help you!
- If you need any support, just ask.