

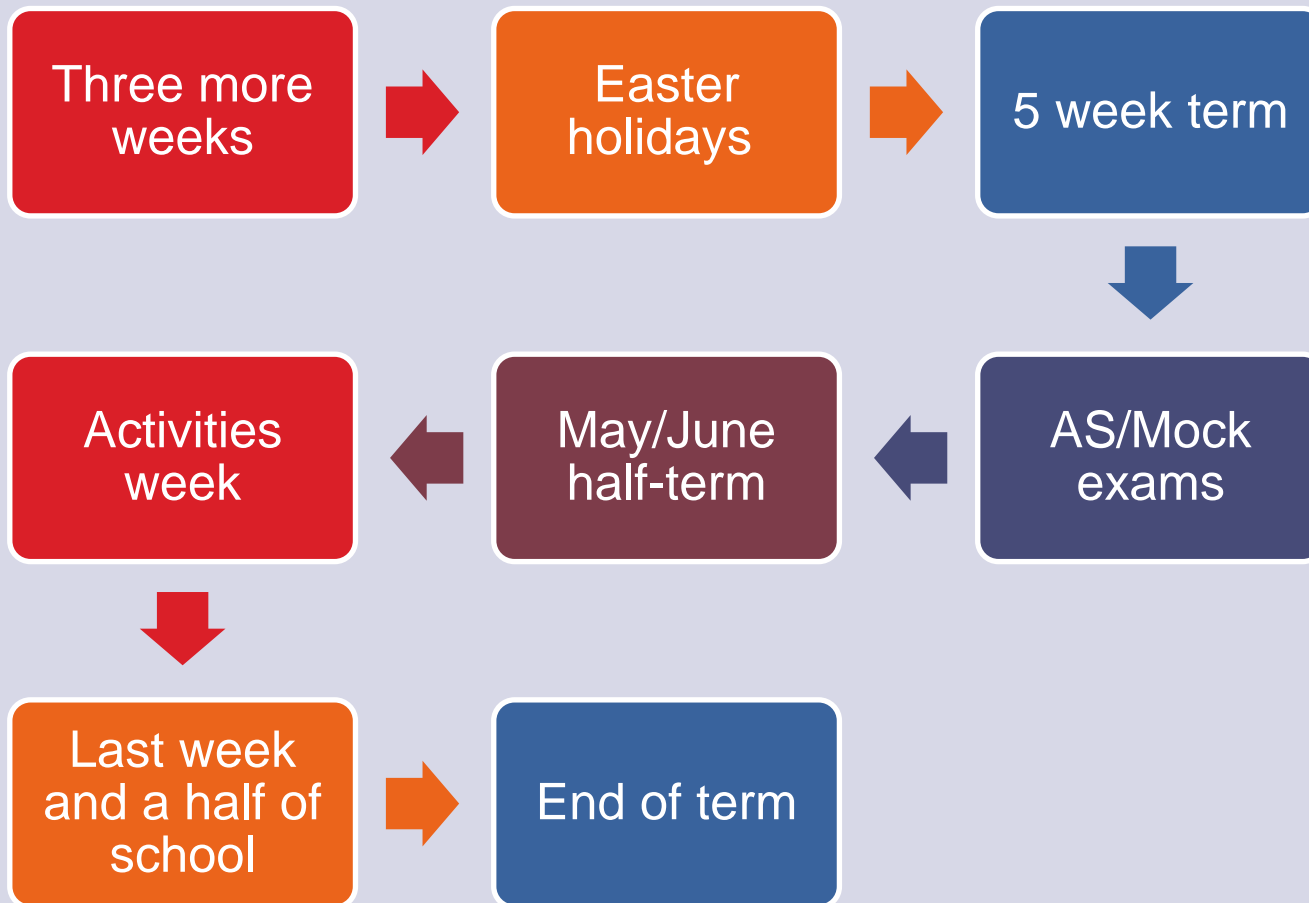
# REDCLIFFE SIXTH FORM Y12 Parents/Carers' Information



# FORMAT FOR THE PRESENTATION

- Key dates
- Pastoral Support
- Academic Support
- Mock exams
- Summer Term
- Progression

# The Second Half of Y12



# KEY ACADEMIC REMINDERS

The current areas of focus for Yr12 are **independent** work, **revision** and **progression**

The biggest difference between A Levels and GCSEs is the independent work required

Planning each week and '**Hour for an Hour**'

This could include: Homework, revision, wider reading, exam practice

We have spent lots of time in **ViP** supporting students with expectations and study skills

Also lots of advice on the **study skills website** (accessible via the 6th form tab of the school website).

# EXTENSION STUDIES / EXTENDED PROJECT

All students not doing Maths Studies have followed our **Extension Studies** course so far (wider social/political knowledge)

Students have recently decided if they want to continue with this as an **Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)**

The EPQ is an independent research project (typically a 5000 word essay) on a topic of a student's choosing which is the equivalent to an AS Level

Students who have decided not to do an EPQ, have committed to **volunteering, super-curricular study or library lessons**

This decision can be changed at any point during Yr12 – students tell tutors, EPQ teacher or Miss Foster

# Y12 MOCK EXAMS

Mocks are the **first two weeks after the Easter holidays** (Tue 22nd April-Friday 2nd May)

Students still **attend all lessons** as normal around their mocks and teachers have been asked to use these lessons as teacher-led revision lessons

Mocks take place in the **Sports Hall**, in whole subject cohorts under exam conditions

The results in these exams will help teachers give **feedback**, decide on **predicted grades** and **UCAS predictions** (more on this later)

# UCAS PREDICTED GRADES

We adopt a **consistent** and **evidence-based** approach to UCAS predicted grades

This ensures that predictions are both **aspirational** and **realistic**

UCAS predicted grades will be based upon a range of evidence such

- Assessments throughout Yr12 and Yr13
- End of Year 12 mock exam results
- Engagement levels and attendance
- Practical or coursework elements

# AFTER MOCK EXAMS

You will receive a **grade-sheet** with:

- Mock grades
- Predicted grades
- Engagement levels
- Behaviour level
- UCAS predicted grades

**Activities Week** is Week of 7th July (Geog field work, work experience, some trips).

Last day before **summer holidays** - Tuesday 22nd July

**A Level Results day** is Thursday 14th August (GCSE results are on the 21st). This is just for students who sat AS exams. Results will be released at 9.00am both onsite and online via Bromcom.



# KEY PASTORAL REMINDERS

**Assembly** fortnightly  
on Wednesday or  
Thursday

**Registration** every  
Monday or Tuesday

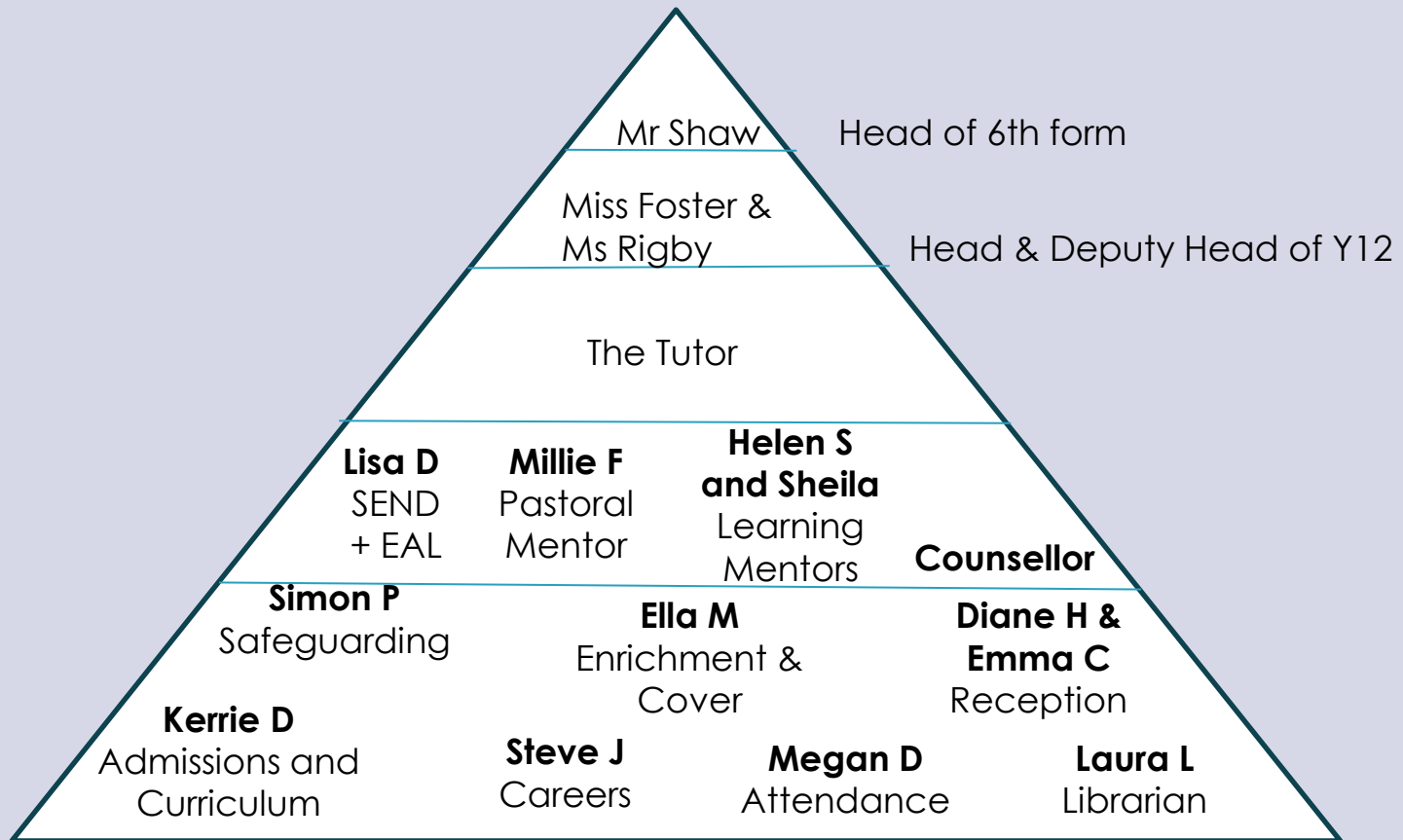
Any student who  
needs more **support**  
with structure may be  
asked to sign in at  
**8:30**

Students need to let  
reception know if they  
are **ill** and need to go  
home

**Behaviour** Level  
below a B reflects  
concerns with  
attendance or general  
behaviour

Let us know if  
students need  
**support** – lots  
available

# PASTORAL SUPPORT



# GETTING INVOLVED AS PARENTS/CARERS



- Give some space
- Ask them questions about their work – get them to talk
- Point them towards their teachers and tutor if they seem unsure of anything or insecure – check in later and ask what they found out
- Don't let attendance slip
- Consider their work environment – can they focus without distraction
- Read the weekly newsletter and point things out to them

# PROGRESSION

Progression &  
Careers  
Mornings

University Trips

Apprenticeship  
guidance

Tutorials & VIP

Blog

Careers  
Adviser

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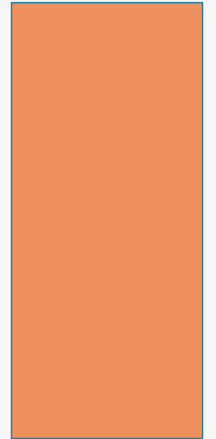
- Ashton Gate University & Apprenticeship fair – last week
- Apprenticeship online talk - last week
- Exeter Uni Assembly – April
- Progression Morning – Today
- University trips – Birmingham and (27th June) Oxford (2/3rd July)
- Art Foundation guidance
- University Open Days – summer term
- VIP Lesson focus
- Work experience – activities week (7th-11th July)

# PROGRESSION

- Lots of opportunities on the progression blog (accessed through the 6<sup>th</sup> Form website)
- Remember we also have a career's adviser who meets one-to-one with students, as advertised in the newsletter. Students should see reception if they would like to book an appointment.
- Mrs Apps – [appsr@smrt.bristol.sch.uk](mailto:appsr@smrt.bristol.sch.uk)

# **APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY**

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**ANY QUESTIONS?**

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