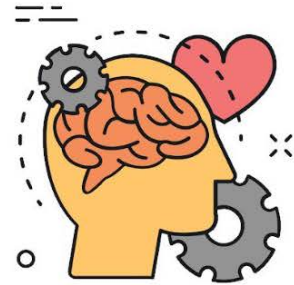
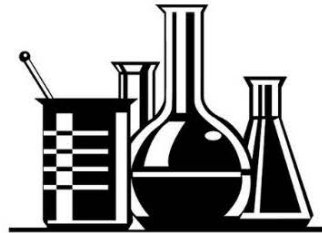
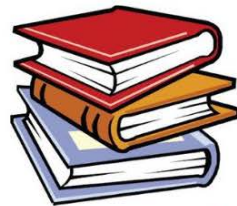


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Year 12 Moving To Year 13



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Dear Parents,

In our continued endeavor to engage and enrich our students' learning we have developed the **Aim High Progress Study Programme (AHPSP)** for your child to work on over the summer vacation. The aim of this programme is to keep students in 'learning mode' so that they continue to make progress without any summer learning loss.

This year Aim High Summer Holiday Activities are designed to enhance the research and independent learning skills of students. The activities are based on preparing the students for their College /University applications which incorporates **completing online courses, life skills, essay writing and community services**. Students must engage in activities as suggested and submit it to their respective form tutors in the month of September.

As your child is moving from Year 12 to Year 13, you can look at the **Aim High Guided revision programme** for Year 13 and learn, in advance, about the learning modules, which will be covered in the coming academic year.

Please find the below links for Aim High Guided revision programme:

<https://www.thewinchesterschool.com/for-parents/family-learning-newsletters/>

We hope you will be able to use all these valuable learning resources to support and enrich your child in reaching their full potential. The Winchester School deeply values 'Parents as Partners in Learning.'

Please note Thursday 1st July will be the last working day for students for this academic year. The school will be closed for the Summer vacation from Sunday, 4th July 2021 and will reopen for new students and Sixth Formers (Year 12 & 13) on Sunday 29th August 2021 and for all students on Monday, 30th August 2021.

Wish you all a very happy and blessed holidays. Enjoy with family and friends. Looking forward to welcoming you back in the next academic year.

Stay Safe!

Yours sincerely,



Harpreet Kaur
Head of Secondary
The Winchester School, Jebel Ali

Dear Year 13 student to be,

It's now time to look ahead to the next phase of your education.

In order to ensure that our students are as fully prepared for Year 13 as possible, we have put into place a number of strategies to support their transition and enable them to be successful in their university applications as well as to achieve the highest grades in their subjects.

If you have any concerns or queries with regards to the any aspects of Sixth Form, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Sahista / Ms. Reshmi / Ms. Fiona

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TASK 1 – Explore Beyond

There is a wealth of things that students can do to strengthen their university applications and CVs. Moocs (Massive Open Online Course) for instance are online courses run by some of the world's top institutions, including MIT and Cambridge. The courses are short and free and allow students to explore subjects in greater detail and at a much higher level. Harvard X and Future Learn offer similar possibilities.

Here is how you will do it

Go to <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses> and find at least one short course that interests you. No more than 3 weeks, no more than 2 hours per week.

Create a word format as mentioned below:

Write down the names of the courses with a brief explanation on why you have chosen them? Think about trying something new, to take a risk or to develop an already existing skill.

Name of the Course	
Why I chose it	
Screenshot of completion.	

TASK 2 – Essential Life Skills

- 1) You will involve yourself in doing of household chores like Laundry (managing a cleaning cycle like putting laundry into washing machine, operating, drying, folding/ironing, back to cupboard), cooking dinner for family, rearranging /cleaning cupboards, vacuum cleaning /dishwashing, budgeting, shopping for a week, gardening, interior decoration of living room etc...etc
- 2) Create a daily digital diary with a couple of pictures and a short reflection on the daily experience

TASK 3 – Community Service

As a part of Voluntary work, you must put in at least 25 hours of voluntary / community service work.

Once completed answer these questions on a word document.

1. What skills have you gained from part time/work experience?
2. What tasks did your job role involve and what did you learn?
3. How do you feel your work experience can benefit you?
4. Have you been involved in any voluntary work or projects in your local community?
5. Have you had any positions of responsibilities?

TASK 4 – Personal Statement/ Essay Writing

Many applications for jobs, college, school or university places, require candidates to submit a personal statement. Writing your personal statement/ Essay writing is one of the most important things you'll do when applying to university – it should be personal, engaging, and most importantly, written by you.

Here are the steps to use

PREPARATION

- You can only write one personal statement, so don't mention a uni or college by name.
- Check uni and college websites to see what skills and qualities they'd like you to have.
- Make a list of things you want to include.

WHAT TO INCLUDE

- Why you're interested in the subject.
- Your enthusiasm for the subject.
- How your previous studies relate to the course(s).
- Relevant aspects of jobs, placements, work experience or volunteering.
- Activities or hobbies that show your interest in the subject.
- Any training or achievements that show your skills.

HOW TO WRITE IT

- Introduction – start with an opening sentence that encourages the reader to read on.
- Structure what you want to include in an order that's most relevant to what the unis and colleges are looking for.
- Conclusion – reinforce your commitment, enthusiasm and skills suited to uni/ college life.
- Check your grammar, spelling and punctuation.
- Make sure you don't copy – University software detects any similarities and this could jeopardise your application.

Additional resources

Guides for exploring options

<https://careermap.co.uk/live-careermags/>

Activities and resources to help you prepare for the world of work

<https://barclayslifeskills.com/young-people/>

My personal finance skills

<https://mypersonalfinanceskills.org/>

BP Educational Service – good resources for Key Stages 4 and 5

<https://bpes.bp.com/resources/list/secondary>