

**Bilborough College**

# Important Information for Year 12 Students



## **AS Exams and Study Leave**

- The AS exams start in earnest on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May.
- There are no formal AS lessons after Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May. Study leave is from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June. During this time you only need to attend College for your AS exams.
- **Revision opportunities.** From Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May until Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May subject teachers will be available during year 12 lesson times to offer help and support with revision. We strongly recommend that you make the most of this opportunity.
- Remember to be at your examination room at least 15 minutes before the start of the exam.
- Remember to bring your pink statement of entry and some photo ID.

## **College Buses during the exam period**

- The College bus company know that exams are taking place. They will do all they can to make sure you are here on time. If for any reason the College bus is delayed, do not panic, notify college of the delay (make sure the College number is in your mobile!) and go to your exam as normal. You will still have the full amount of time if the College buses are late. This ruling does not apply to other forms of public transport. Make sure you catch an earlier bus!
- During the exam period - the buses will be leaving College in the evening at their usual times. Students whose exams finish after the normal departure time will need to find an alternative way of getting home.

## **Students leaving after the AS exams**

- Some students are intending to leave Bilborough straight after completing their AS exams. These students need to pick up a Leavers' Form from either Student Support or the LIC.
- The form must be completed and handed in. When all outstanding resources have been returned to the LIC and any debts cleared with Finance (for lost books, payment for trips etc) then the £60 deposit will be refunded. This takes some time to process so please be patient. Cheques will be sent to the person identified on the leavers form in July/early August.

## **Start of the A2 courses (Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July)**

- Your A2 courses start on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June. **ALL** students hoping to continue onto 'A' level must be in tutor group at 8.50am on the 13<sup>th</sup> June to start the A2 courses.
- Tutor group locations for this initial tutor group are at the back of this information leaflet.
- In these 4 weeks you will also be spending time looking at progression paths and working on university applications/ personal statements/ CV's etc. There will be opportunities to attend a variety of sessions to help you sort out your plans for life beyond Bilborough.

- We expect all students to attend fully in this 4 week period. We do not expect you to take any time off in this 4 week period for early holidays or work experience placements. Term ends on the 8<sup>th</sup> July and students have 2 weeks before the official school holidays begin to go on holiday or undertake work experience opportunities.

### **Conditions for continuing at College in September.**

- You are expected to continue with 3 out of your 4 AS subjects to A level. If you gain AABB or higher in your AS exams then will be able to carry forward all of your subjects to A2.
- You will need to attend **all** lessons during this 4 week period in all the subjects you are hoping to continue with in September. If you 'drop out' of a subject after the AS exams then you will not be able to pick it up again in September.
- You need to achieve, at the very least, 2 grade D and 1 grade E pass in the AS exams to continue with these subjects to A2 in September. This is another good reason to continue with all 4 subjects in the summer term as you don't know what your results will be.
- The College mission statement states that this is a College for "serious and committed students". You will also need to prove to us that you fall into this category. If you do not attend regularly, if you fail to do all your homework or fail to show that you are making an effort to develop into an independent learner, then you cannot expect to automatically be allowed to re-enrol in September. Curriculum Managers will notify the enrolment team of any student they feel has not demonstrated the required commitment to their studies. If you have wasted time in the past, then this is your opportunity to improve your attitude and your work.

### **Programme of Study in Year 13**

- A year 13 programme of study usually consists of 4 subjects plus tutor group.
- If you gain AABB or higher in your AS exams then will be able to carry forward all of your subjects to A2. If you do this then you do **not** pick up an extended studies option.
- Most students only carry through 3 of their 4 AS subjects to A level and pick up one of the extended studies options. Occasionally there is the possibility of picking up a new AS level.
- **Extended Studies options.** In addition to your 3 A levels most students will also take an extended studies option. This year these have included the Extended Project, General Studies A level; Critical Thinking and Latin GCSE. Details about the options available next year will be given to you at the start of A2 in June.
- **Picking up a new AS course.** Some students have asked if they can pick up an AS level next year. Availability of places is very limited. However there will be an opportunity at the start of A2 to complete an application form registering your interest. Details will be given in tutor group

## Health and Diversity Day

- Health and Diversity day will be taking place on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July**. Everybody is expected to participate. There will be no lessons on this day.

## End of Term

- The last day of the term will be Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July.
- The Induction course for new students takes place in the week commencing the 11<sup>th</sup> July. We will be asking students to volunteer to help out as red T shirt helpers and you will have a chance to sign up for this opportunity after the AS exams.

## AS results and A2 enrolment

- AS results will be available to pick up from the Sports Hall on **Thursday August 18<sup>th</sup>**. From 10am onwards
- Your results envelope will contain your official enrolment form for the A2 courses. You will need to enrol at the same time as picking up your results.
- If you are not able to collect your results in person on the 18<sup>th</sup>, you can arrange either for your results to be posted home to you or for somebody to pick up your results on your behalf. We will only be able to give results out to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party if they have **written** authorisation from you to pick up results on your behalf. If this is the case you will also have to arrange to come in and enrol on to your A2 programme before the start of term in September.

## Start of Term September 2011

- Term starts for year 13 students on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**. You will start the week at 8.50am in tutor groups. Timetables and student planners will be issued and A2 lessons will start at 9.50am.
- **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September** will be for the new year 12s only. This will give year 13s three days of study leave and all students will be given specific tasks for ALL their subjects which will need to be completed by Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September.
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September both year groups will be in College .

## TUTOR GROUP LOCATIONS FOR START OF A2

| <u>Tutor Team</u>       | <u>Tutor Base / Start of A2</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1JQ James Quested       | A0:07 (Music Tech)              |
| 1AE Amy Elliott         | Physics Lab                     |
| 1RA Robin Atherlay      | A0:01(Music)                    |
| 1SM Sharon MacInnes     | Theatre                         |
| 1DH Damian Higgins      | Performance Studio              |
| 1SPP Sue Phillips       | T2                              |
| 1SMR Shelagh Roberts    | T3                              |
| 2DF Diane Fletcher      | A2:05 (Language)                |
| 2DAS Dave Shaw          | A2:04                           |
| 2GS Gráinne Costello    | C0:16                           |
| 2JM Julia Matthew       | C0:10                           |
| 2HT Heide Towers        | C0:15                           |
| 2IDD Isobel Dams        | C0:09                           |
| 2JEB Jane Bluett        | C0:08                           |
| 2DJG David Gore         | C0:14                           |
| 2IM Ian Melville        | C0:17                           |
| 3GR Graham Roseblade    | C0:06                           |
| 3JD Jake Dartington     | C1:14                           |
| 3KBL Karen Lowe         | T1                              |
| 3LJD Linda Dickin       | C1:13                           |
| 3MEH Michelle Harvey    | C1:07                           |
| 3TB Trish Brown         | C0:04                           |
| 3EK Elaine Kazimierczuk | C1:08                           |
| 3LK Louise Kitchin      | C1:09                           |
| 3CJB Chris Bradford     | T4                              |
| 4APW Adrian Wright      | S4                              |
| 4MB Maggie Burrows      | S3                              |
| 4CMC Christine Collins  | C1:03                           |
| 4SC Sean Cormac         | T7                              |
| 4THA Tracy Harmer-Adams | B2:15                           |
| 4JEB Jo Baker           | C2:09                           |
| 4 HM Helen Maddison     | T5                              |
| 5AML Alison Lardi       | C2:10                           |
| 5GD Garry Drew          | C2:01                           |
| 5JC Joseph Campbell     | C1:15                           |
| 5ST Sarah Turton        | C2:03                           |
| 5JGL Jeff Lowe          | C3:02 (Electronics)             |
| 5CMT Cherryl Thomson    | C2:05                           |
| 5RES Rachel Smith       | C2:04                           |
| 5GP Glynis Parker       | C2:06                           |
| 5TS Torben Smith        | C2:02                           |
| 6CLF Cherry Frost       | T8                              |
| 6FJW Fred Ward          | Conference Room                 |
| 6GT Glenda Taylor       | C1:04                           |
| 6LG Luke Griffiths      | C1:05                           |
| 6RLD Russell Dickin     | B2:12                           |
| 6SLB Sarah Beauchamp    | C1:01                           |
| 6SS Sue Smith (Year 12) | B2:14                           |
| 6DIR David Rennison     | C1:02                           |
| 6AW Adrian Wilson       | C1:03                           |

## KEY DATES

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| <b>Fri 13/05/11</b>                            | Last day of AS lessons  |
| <b>Mon 16/05/11</b>                            | Beginning of AS exams   |
| <b>Mon 13/06/11</b>                            | Start of the A2 course  |
| <b>Friday 8 /07/11</b>                         | Last day of the Summer term   |
| <b>Thurs 18/08/11</b>                          | AS Results Day and Enrolment onto A2                                |
| <b>Wed 07/09/11</b>                            | Year 13 start back to College                                       |
| <b>Monday 12/09/11-<br/>Wednesday 14/09/11</b> | Study Leave for year 13 students<br>New year 12 students in College |
| <b>Thurs 15/09/11</b>                          | Normal timetable resumes for all students                           |