

20th May 2021

RE: Year 12 Level 2 end of year arrangements

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, thank you for all your support, this has been one of the most challenging times for schools, students and parents alike. However, it is amazing to see the way the students have risen to the challenges brought on by the pandemic - they have shown how resilient they are and their ability to adapt both in and out the classroom has been impressive. As we come to the end of the academic year for the Year 12 Level 2 students we have outlined below some arrangements to support their next steps.

Year 12 Level 2 are completing one year courses - math and/or English, as well as two option subjects. Teachers will be awarding Evidence Informed Grades (EIG) at the end of this year, so it is imperative that students are present/punctual, completing all coursework assignments and making their best effort during their assessments between now and their final lessons on Friday 28th May.

Progression for Year 12 Level 2 students

All students have reapplied for the Sixth form and have had a Sixth Form Interview. It is important to note that upon receiving their result students will go down one of the following routes:

- Be permitted to progress to Year 12 Level 3 (Vocational/A Level courses)
- Apply and take up an apprenticeship in a field of their choice
- Continue education at another provider (Sixth form/college)
- If no longer of school age:
 - Need to apply for employment or training

We have worked hard to ensure all students have received appropriate guidance to support their next steps but we are available at careers@southfieldsacademy.com should you feel your son/daughter would benefit from further support and guidance.

Progression Classrooms

Google Classroom will be used to launch progression classrooms for each student, this will have key content and activities set by subject specific teachers with the aim of supporting students in the courses they want to do. The classrooms will launch on 7th June and students will need to accept the invite to each of the subject classrooms they intend to study in September. These classrooms will be live throughout June, please encourage your son/daughter to engage with them

End of Term for Year 12 Level 2 students

The student's final day of lessons will be Friday 28th May, they will then be invited back for two event days in June (letter with the plan of the days will be sent in advance). These event days will be used to provide students with vital careers guidance, an opportunity to develop some key skills and a celebratory activity to acknowledge the student's hard work throughout the year.



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Work Experience

Work experience could not be carried out in the normal way this year due to companies not being able/prepared to have staff, much less students on site. However there is an increasing number of virtual work experience placements that exist to allow students the ability to get experience in their chosen fields or to develop vital transferable skills. Between now and September we urge students to organise a placement, in preparation for writing their personal statements for getting their first job and/or applying for university.

Here are a few sites that can be used to help students find work experience:

- <https://www.studentladder.co.uk/work-experience/>
- <https://www.volunteerics.org/>
- <https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/get-job/get-experience?gclid=CP7VnqyHg9ICFaeT7Qod17cMEg>
- https://vinspired.com/volunteer?gclid=CNSq5_TygtlCFeyc7QodAZUDcw
- <https://crystalpalacefestival.org/events/creative-careers/>
- https://www.springpod.co.uk/experience/marketing-work-experience?utm_source=campus&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=rolespecificcampus_business_studies_12_05_20
- Many universities offer work experience

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish all of our students a lovely well deserved break, the student's hard work has not gone unnoticed and I am so proud of every single one of them. To mark the completion of this academic year I will be organising two event days in June where we will provide careers information, develop key skills and allow the students to celebrate their achievements (more information to follow).

If you are unsure about anything in this letter and need further information please contact year12@southfieldsacademy.com



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