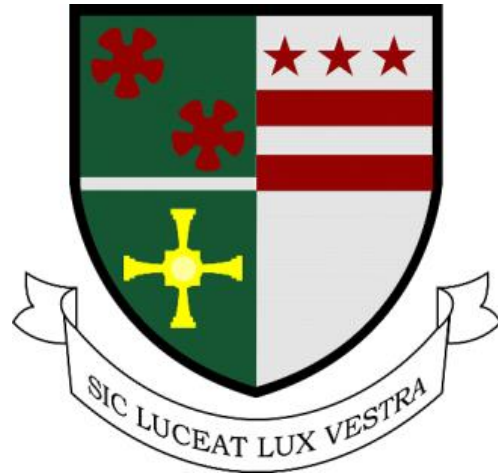


Y11 Parent Information Evening

Helping my child to succeed at GCSE



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Key Staff

Curriculum

Mrs M Salmon

(Senior Assistant
Headteacher Curriculum)

Mrs K Dunn

(Assistant Headteacher
Intervention)

Mr S Clark

(Assistant Headteacher
Teaching, Learning &
Assessment)

Miss B Salmon

(SENDCo)

Mrs S Chappell

(Head of 6th Form)

Pastoral

Mr A McHale

(Senior Assistant
Headteacher Pastoral)

Mr J Green

(Assistant Headteacher
Pastoral)

Mr A Davis

(Assistant Headteacher)

Heads of House

Mr Thompson (Whitby)

Mr Hurst (Durham)

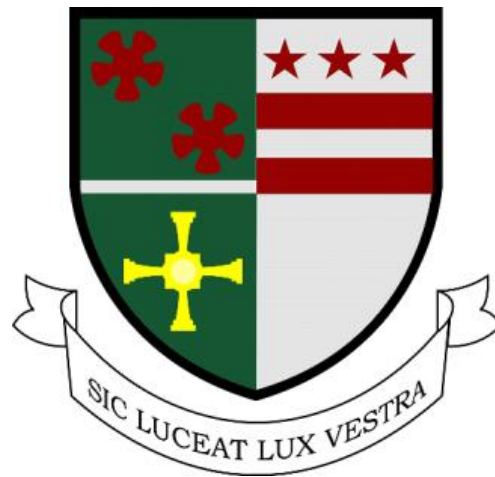
Mrs Mansuetto (Finchale)

Mrs Duncan (Lindisfarne)



Curriculum

Key contact Mrs Salmon



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Through Christ, in partnership and with service and witness at the core of all we do, our school will be a centre of excellence. We will educate the whole person so that everyone fulfils their academic potential, aspires highly and is optimistically ambitious.



Aspirational Target Grades

- ✓ Based on KS2 end point i.e. end of Y6
- ✓ 'Optimistically ambitious' top 25% nationally
- ✓ Grade potential to aim towards

Outcomes

- ✓ 9-1 grades: 5 strong pass; 4 standard pass
- ✓ D*-P

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	
7	
6	B
5	
4	
3	D
2	
1	
U	U

Comparing old GCSE letter grades to new number grades

Communication

The progress of your child is tracked throughout their GCSE courses.



When	Detail
Term 1	
Wb 2 nd October	Teachers assess progress
Wb 16 th October	Grade reports to parents/carers
Wb 27 th November	Year 11 practice examinations (over 2 weeks)
Wb 18 th December	Year 11 Mock results day 21 st December
Term 2	
Wb 15 th January	Full written report to parents
Wb 22 nd January	Parents'/Carers' Evening (in person)
Wb 4 th March	Teachers assess progress (includes second mock exams in English, Maths and Science)
Wb 25 th March	Grade report to parents/carers
Term 3	
Wb 6 th May	Formal exam season window open (expected end Fri 21 st June however contingency date tbc)

Be Prepared



Behaviour
Equipment

Personality
Revision

Effort

Persist

Aspire

Resilience

Engage

Dedication



Support



Curriculum

Quality first
teaching

Literacy Support

Academic
mentoring

Intervention

Pastoral

Daily Tutor Check
in

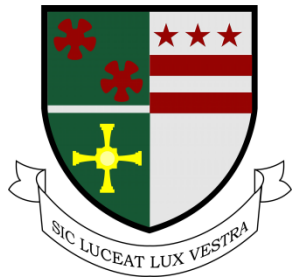
Counselling

Celebration of
success

Careers information
& guidance

Supporting your child's progress

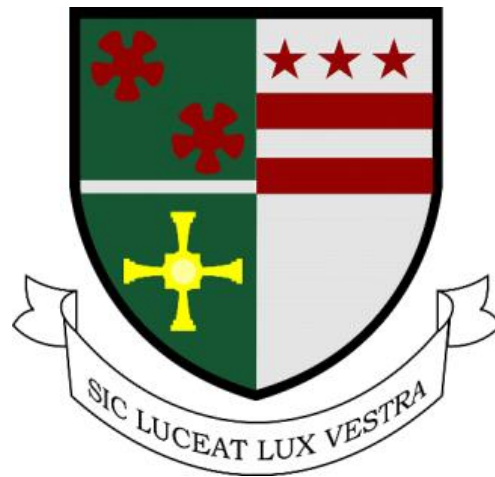
- ✓ In school intervention
- ✓ Masterclass opportunity across the MAT
- ✓ Mixture of in person and online tuition



Please support the attendance and engagement with these sessions

Pastoral

Key contacts Mr McHale/ Mr Green/HoH



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Mr McHale (SAHT)
Mr Green (AHT)

Heads of House

Head of St Cuthbert/Durham
Mr Hurst (Mrs Williams)

Head of St Godric/Finchale
Mrs Mansueto (Mr Hall)

Head of St Hilda/Whitby
Mr Thompson (Miss Cairns)

Head of St Aidan/Lindisfarne
Mrs Duncan (Mr Watson)



Seeking advice and communication



- ✓ Your child's Head of House/Assistant Head of House.
- ✓ School counsellor – Mrs Chisolm is available via a referral from the Pastoral Team.
- ✓ Mrs Chingles is our attendance officer.
- ✓ Communicate with subject staff / tutors (where applicable) via the student planner.



GOLD STANDARD BEHAVIOUR

1

Speak with politeness and respect to all staff.

Follow instructions from staff without answering back or argument. Use Miss or Sir.



2

Treat each other with kindness and respect in our words and actions.

Speak and act towards each other in a kind manner both in person and online.



3

Wear the correct uniform and bring the correct equipment to school every day.

Uniform includes hairstyles, jewellery, beauty products, and footwear.



4

Work hard in class and at home.

Class and homework must be completed on time to the best of our ability. Behave in a way which aids learning.



5

Get there and on time.

Attend school and every lesson and be there on time. Behave with consideration in corridors and on the yard.



6

Respect the school environment.

Do not drop litter, cause damage or graffiti to the school building or property.



7

Celebrate diversity and difference.

We do not use racist, sexist, homophobic or any derogatory language.



8

Keep mobile phones in our bag and switched off while in school.

Mobile phones should be switched off and kept out of sight while in school.



St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College

Supporting our Pastoral Priorities Gold Standard Behaviour



- ✓ Excellent attendance
- ✓ Punctuality – arrive on time for school and lessons(8:45am)
- ✓ Correct uniform
- ✓ Respect for staff and the school environment
- ✓ Maximising lesson time
- ✓ Gold standard class and homework

Common Concerns



I don't understand all these assessments, levels and exams – it's completely different from when I was at school.

Surely she shouldn't be going out again when she's studying for GCSE's?

I'm surprised he has no homework...I expected more in Year 11!

He's always got an excuse...I don't know what to believe!

I'll just write her a note to excuse homework this once...

I can't stand the arguments when I try to help...

Balancing Priorities



✓ Friendships



✓ Family Life

✓ Social Life



✓ Hobbies / Clubs

✓ Romantic concerns



✓ GCSE's

Attendance

Look at how many hours of lessons you have in
Year 11



Eng/Maths/Sci **6.5 days** (4 hrs per week)

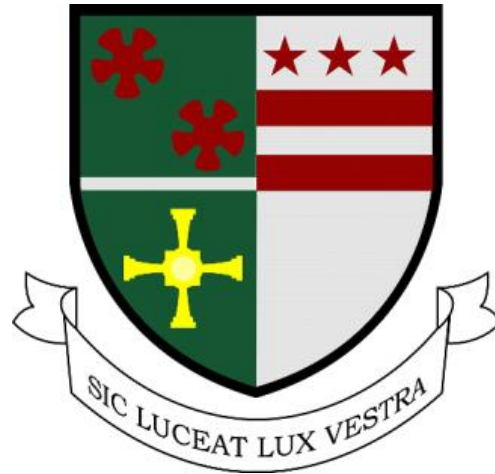
Opted Subjects **3.25 days** (2hrs per week)

You will cover most topics **only once** in these hours so learning first time round is the key to successful revision and exam results.

Every Lesson Counts!

In School Preparation

Key contact: Mr Clark



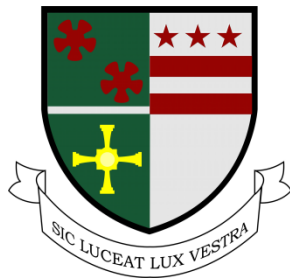
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Homework & Revision

- ✓ Clearly write the homework in their planners.
- ✓ Include when the homework is to be handed in.
- ✓ Pupils must complete their homework on time and to a high standard.
- ✓ Pupils must re-draft homework if it is not to a high standard



Planner & Organisation



MONDAY 5		landi (French), Montag (German), lunes (Spanish), lunedì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
Geography	None set		1	
PE	None set, book in for marking		1	
RE	None set		1	
Maths	Review for cellafix		08/10/19	✓
English	Start book out		08/10/19	✓
TUESDAY 6		mardi (French), Dienstag (German), martes (Spanish), martedì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
PE	None set		1	
Care Sci	None set, book in for marking		1	
Physics	Two sheets in book on braking and forces		13/10/19	✓
Geography	None set, check if there was meant to be homework		07/10/19	✓
RE	None set, book in		1	
WEDNESDAY 7		mercredi (French), Mittwoch (German), miércoles (Spanish), mercoledì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
Maths	Review		08/10/19	✓
Chemistry	Check in book		14/10/19	✓
RE	Review writing in book		12/10/19	✓
Spanish	None set, start book		08/10/19	✓
English	None set		1	
School Party Arrang on On-site called off				
THURSDAY 8		jeudi (French), Donnerstag (German), jueves (Spanish), giovedì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
Spanish	Review for week test and do paragraph 4		14/10/19	✓
ISA	Key Assessment in book		15/10/19	✓
Tutor	None set		1	
English	None set, start out book		08/10/19	✓
Maths	None set		1	
School Party Home 0-5				
Maths Assignment				
MONDAY 2		landi (French), Montag (German), lunes (Spanish), lunedì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
RE	Make revision resources for 'Foundation' 'Constructive Theology - Origins + Meanings' test		9th Oct	
Art	Lunch pass		4th Oct	
Biology	Homeostasis homework (P)		10th Oct	
Physics	Complete questions (C)			
TUESDAY 3		mardi (French), Dienstag (German), martes (Spanish), martedì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
Spanish	90 word question		5th Oct	
English	adding to key quotation cards for Macbeth. (Language analysis). (E)		10th Oct	
Macbeth quotation cards brought in			4th Oct	
WEDNESDAY 4		mercredi (French), Mittwoch (German), miércoles (Spanish), mercoledì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
Geography	development dynamics booklet completed		6th Oct	
THURSDAY 5		jeudi (French), Donnerstag (German), jueves (Spanish), giovedì (Italian)	DUE DATE	DONE
English	add language analysis to flashcards, word pass of each word, 3 quotes per character for development, rag raise.		10th Oct	
Parents evening				

All subjects to be written in the planner:

- ✓ P-Prepare
- ✓ C-Consolidate
- ✓ E-Extend

Due date to be included

None set to be written in if no homework is set

Add a 'Tick' when done

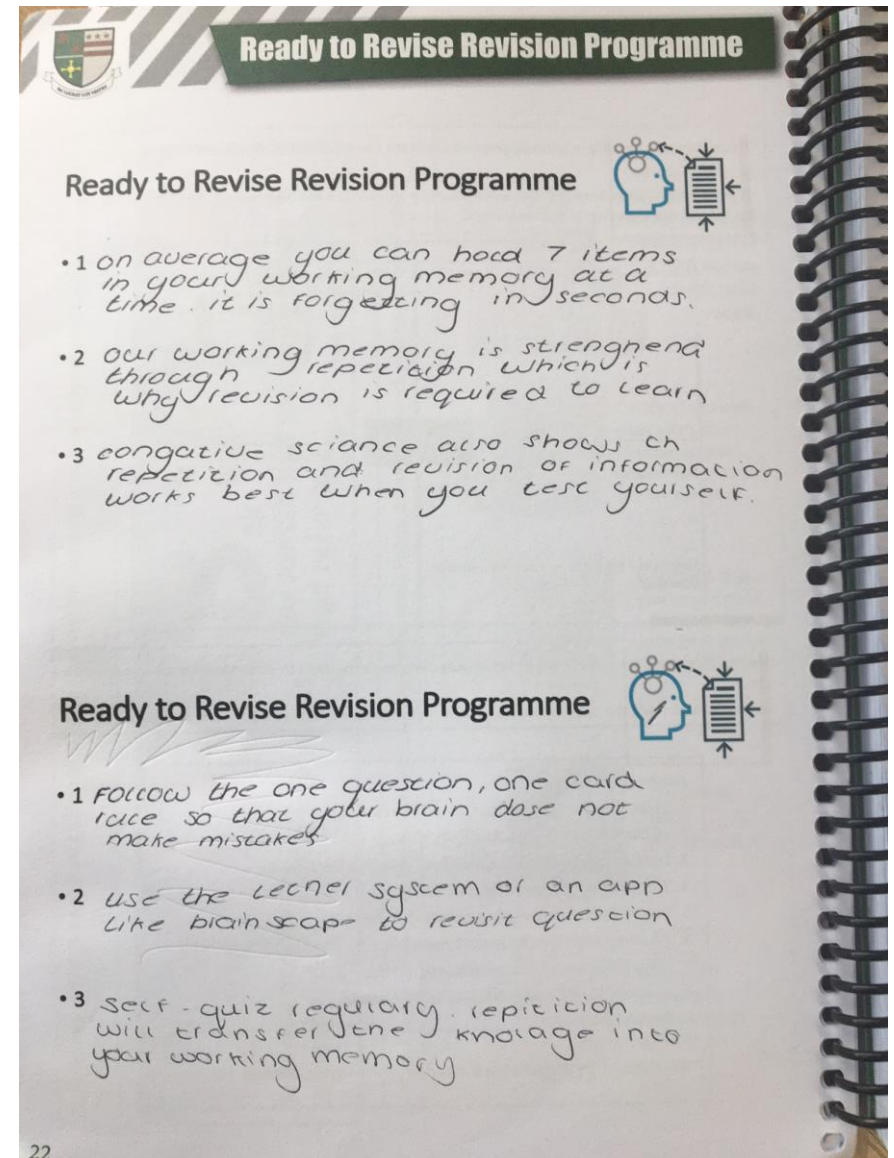
Neat and tidy

Ready to Revise Programme



There will be two revision programmes throughout Year 11:

1. The lead up to practice exams in November / December 2023
2. The lead up to summer examinations in May 2024



GCSE Subject Information – Student / Parent Guide

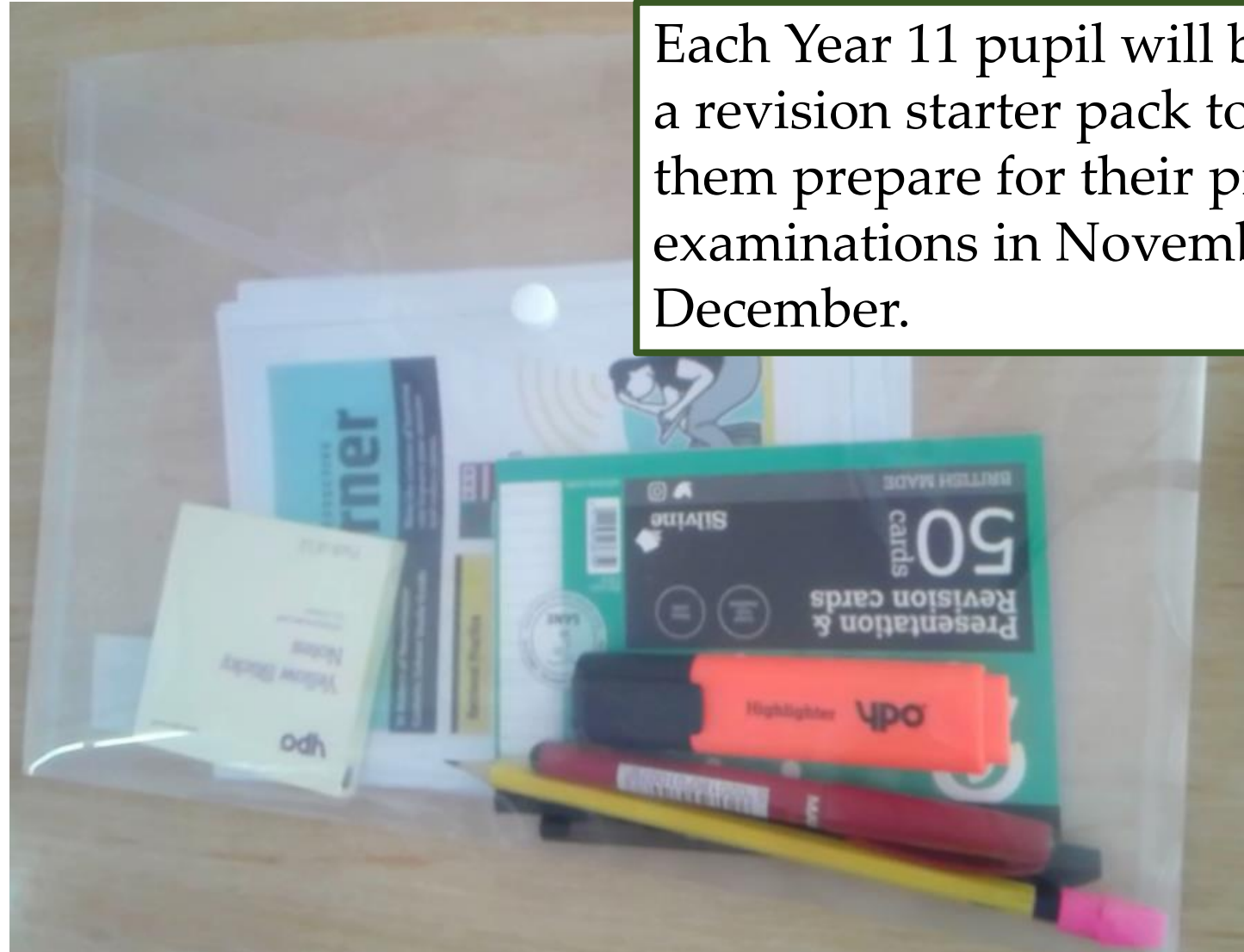


<p>Year 11 Key concepts/skills</p>	<p>Key question: How can we borrow language and structural features from literary texts and use these in our own writing?</p> <p>Literature focus: <i>Macbeth</i> by William Shakespeare Revising <i>An Inspector Calls</i> and <i>Power and Conflict</i> poetry Language focus: <i>Language Paper 1</i></p>	<p>Key question: How do writers present and control different points of view to impact upon readers?</p> <p>Literature focus: Revision of each major text, prioritising <i>A Christmas Carol</i> first Language focus: <i>Language Paper 2</i></p>	<p>Key question: How do we revise best in English?</p> <p>Literature focus: Revision of each major text Language focus: <i>Language Papers 1 and 2</i></p>
<p>Assessment</p>	<p>Reading and Writing Assessment: <i>Macbeth/unseen poetry preliminary assessment</i></p> <p><i>Full mock exams: Literature Paper 1 and Language Paper 1 – held in exam hall.</i></p>	<p>Reading and Writing Assessment:</p> <p><i>Full mock exams: Literature Paper 2 and Language Paper 2 – held in exam hall.</i></p>	<p>Reading and Writing Assessment:</p> <p>Formal external exams begin in May 2023</p>

Revision Starter Pack

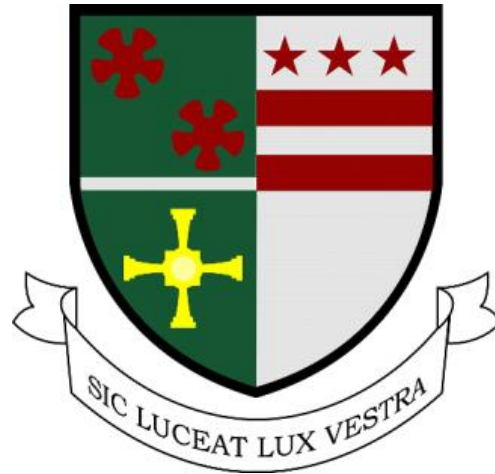


Each Year 11 pupil will be given a revision starter pack to help them prepare for their practice examinations in November and December.



Out of School Preparation

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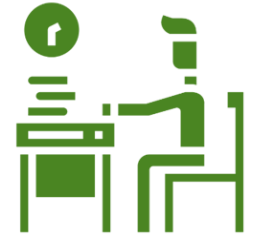


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Developing effective revision habits



Make it
Obvious



Make it
Attractive



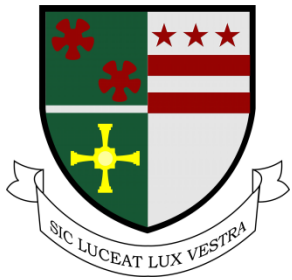
Make it
Easy



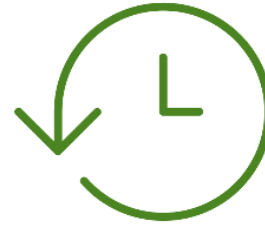
Make it
Rewarding



Developing effective revision techniques



1. Spacing and Interleaving



2. Deliberate Practice



4. Retrieval Practice



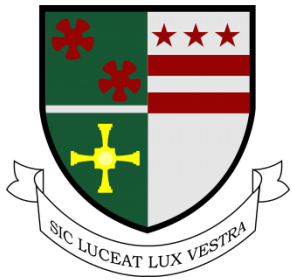
3. Flash Cards



5. Dual Coding



GCSE Pod



Learn how to learn

Your time spent learning is so valuable, make sure you are making the most of it by learning "How to Learn". These Pods show you 3 techniques that will help you make the most of your revision.

Interleaving

A technique to help you remember more.

Retrieval Practice

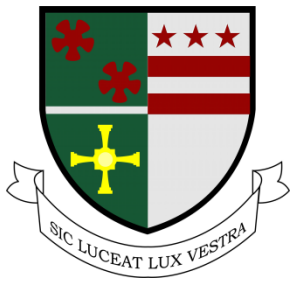
Practise bringing information to mind for better results with this technique.

Spaced Practice

Revise, rest, repeat...space out your revision for better results.

Watch the pods

Create the right conditions to revise



**Set up
a study
space**



**Eat
healthy
food**



**Take
regular
breaks**



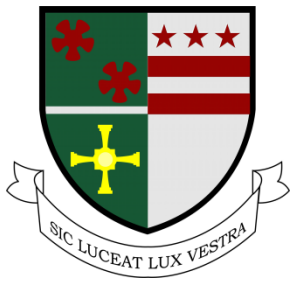
**Sleep well.
Don't
revise
before bed**



**Take
regular
exercise**

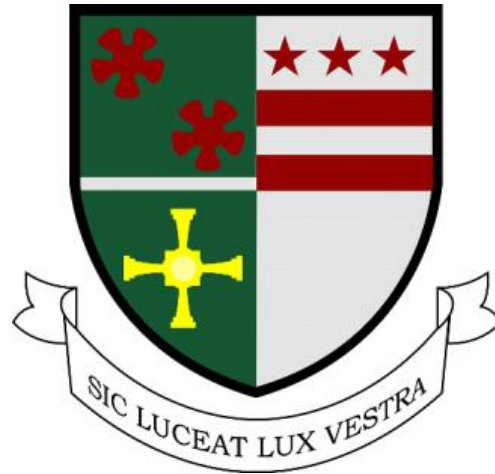
How can parents help?

- ✓ Checking the pupil planner daily
- ✓ Helping organisation by discussing their work and their deadlines
- ✓ Ensure they have a quiet space to work
- ✓ Encourage them to commit specific time to homework/revision
- ✓ Ensure that they are removed from distractions



Careers education

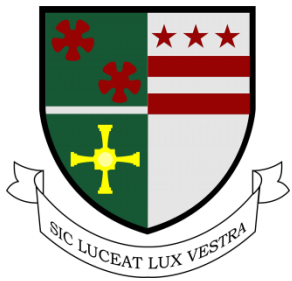
Key contact: Mr Green



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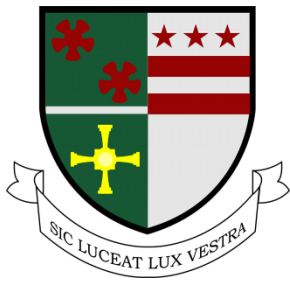
Careers advice and preparation

- ✓ An overview of our Careers Programme can be accessed via the school website.
- ✓ The Year 11 Careers Module starts after half term, focusing on Post 16 options / Local Market Information / Equality & Disability Law / CV Writing.
- ✓ Personal Aspirations Interviews take place for all learners with a member of the leadership team in school – Spring Term.
- ✓ Apprenticeship Workshops start in January for interested pupils – these focus on 'How/Where to Apply' and 'Interview Techniques'.



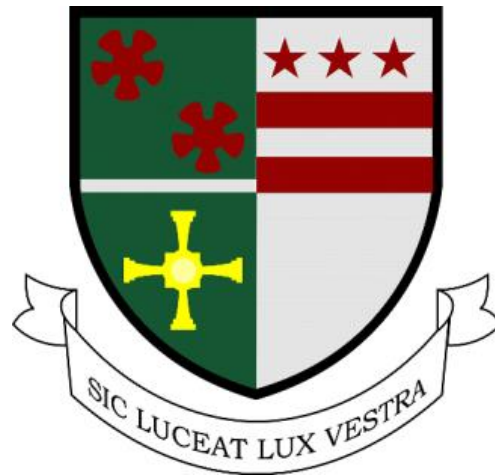
Careers advice and preparation

- ✓ All Year 11 pupils have an Impartial Careers Interview with Mrs Green our Careers Advisor
- ✓ ASK Apprenticeships Introduce Post 16 Options during Assemblies - December
- ✓ All Year 11 Pupils will attend a Careers Event at the Utilita Arena in November
- ✓ Careers Fair in school in February
- ✓ Departments link curriculum to pathways / opportunities throughout the year



Progression to 6th Form

Key contact: Mrs Chappell



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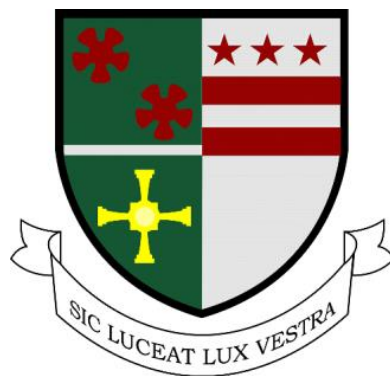
St Robert's Sixth Form



- ✓ 80% of students progress to university.
- ✓ Successful record of students to Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science.
- ✓ Over 40% of students go to Russell Group universities.
- ✓ All students achieve a destination after Year 13.
- ✓ Offer over 35 courses.
- ✓ Wide range of enrichment activities.
- ✓ Unrivalled post-16 pastoral support.
- ✓ Most successful 6th Form in Sunderland area.
- ✓ Open Evening Thurs 12th October.

Prom.Ed

**Key contact: Mrs Reilly O'Donnell
(BWCET HQ)**



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Develop spirituality

Celebrate community

Act with justice, respect and dignity

Support exceptional leadership

Promote educational excellence

Foster a sense of vocation

Form high aspirations



Our vision and values



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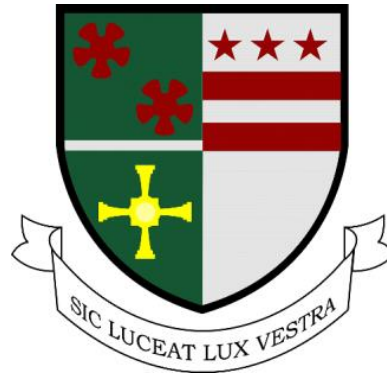
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Prom.Ed: Opening times

- Saturday 30 September 2023
- Saturday 2 December 2023
- Saturday 9 March 2024

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