

Sunnydown School

Year 10 Curriculum Evening – 2nd April 2025



Key Points



- GCSEs
- College – applications and interviews
- Practice Exams
- Friday Curriculum
- Support

GCSEs



- Summer Term
- Entries in February 2026
- Year 11 Parents' Evening in Summer Term
- Christmas Reports
- Strategy for College entry (Summer Term)
- Practice Exams – December Year 11
- Support

College



- Course Choice
 - Representatives this evening
 - Visits and Open days
 - Research
- Applications
 - Start in Year 11 straight away (visits and open days)
 - Annual Reviews (January/February - Year 10 and December - Year 11 to support college application process)
- Interviews
 - Preparation with Mr Wright
- Entry Requirements
 - Entry Level, Level 1, 2 or 3.

College Entry



- Level 1
 - 2/3/4 GCSEs Grade 2 and above
 - Good Attendance
 - Good reference
- Level 2
 - 4 GCSEs Grade 3/4
 - Good Attendance
 - Good reference
- Level 3
 - 5/6 GCSEs Grade 4/5 and above with some specific requirements
 - Good Attendance
 - Good reference

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Grading new GCSEs from 2017

New grading structure	Current grading structure
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Maths and English



- Those students who do not achieve a Level 4 or above in either English or Maths will be expected to continue with their Maths and English Language study at their chosen college.
- This could be at GCSE Level or similar level.



Destination Data

Where are they studying?



Brooklands College



Farnborough College
of Technology

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Destination Data

What courses are they studying?

Life Skills	Animal Care	Mechanics	Music
Public Services	Creative Media	Carpentry	Sport & Leisure
Catering	Plumbing	Agriculture	ICT
Art	Electrical installation	Computer Game design	Engineering

Practice Exams



- December Yr 11
- Trial run
- Shorter version
- Anxiety reducing sometimes inducing
- Concessions/Access Arrangements
- Conversations
- Parent questions

Support



- Some anxiety amongst the boys
- What happens after Sunnydown?
- Clear focus for transition to Post 16
- Pastoral Support Team
- Additional support - Learning Support/Form Tutors
- Non GCSE options/Friday Curriculum

Friday Curriculum



- East Surrey College
 - 2nd Year rotation
- Life Skills
 - Life Skills scheme (designed in house based upon the needs of the group)
 - Possibility of Volunteering work returning
 - Lots of planning activities
 - Preparation for college courses
- Private Study (strategic after Easter)

What are apprenticeships?



Earn a wage



Real job with
real responsibilities



Contract of employment
including holiday pay



Study towards a
job related qualification



Work for at least
30 hours per week

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