

# Year 11

Parental Information Evening

**Tuesday 30th September 2025**

**The presentation will cover the following areas:**

1. The year ahead
2. Important Dates
3. Curriculum and homework
4. Sources of support
5. Staying safe
6. Careers and post-16 guidance: next steps
7. Top tips



# Year 11

9 months ahead



**STUDENTS ARE ONLY  
9 MONTHS AWAY FROM  
GCSE'S – WHAT THEY DO  
NOW MATTERS!**



**NEA CONTENT  
COMPLETION AND  
MOCK EXAMINATIONS**



**CONVERSATIONS AND  
DECISIONS FOR LIFE  
AFTER YEAR 11**



**EVERYTHING WE DO IS  
TO SUPPORT YOUR  
FUTURE**

# Important dates for your diaries



Date	Event
2 October	Careers Convention
10 October	Year 11 Ready to Work Deadline
21 October	Futures Evening
13 November	Sixth Form Open Evening
1 December	Year 11 Mock Exams Start
15 January	Year 11 Achievement Review 1
23 January	Year 11 Mock Results Day
12 February	Year 11 Progress Evening
10 March	Assessment window 2
31 March	Year 11 Achievement Review 2
7 May	Last teaching day
8 May	Year 11 Celebration Day
11 May	Public Exams
23 June	Prom – Ashton Gate Stadium
25 June	Exams Contingency Day





**Year 11 2025**

We continue with our focus on kindness, with resilience also now sitting at the heart of everything we do.



**KINDNESS**

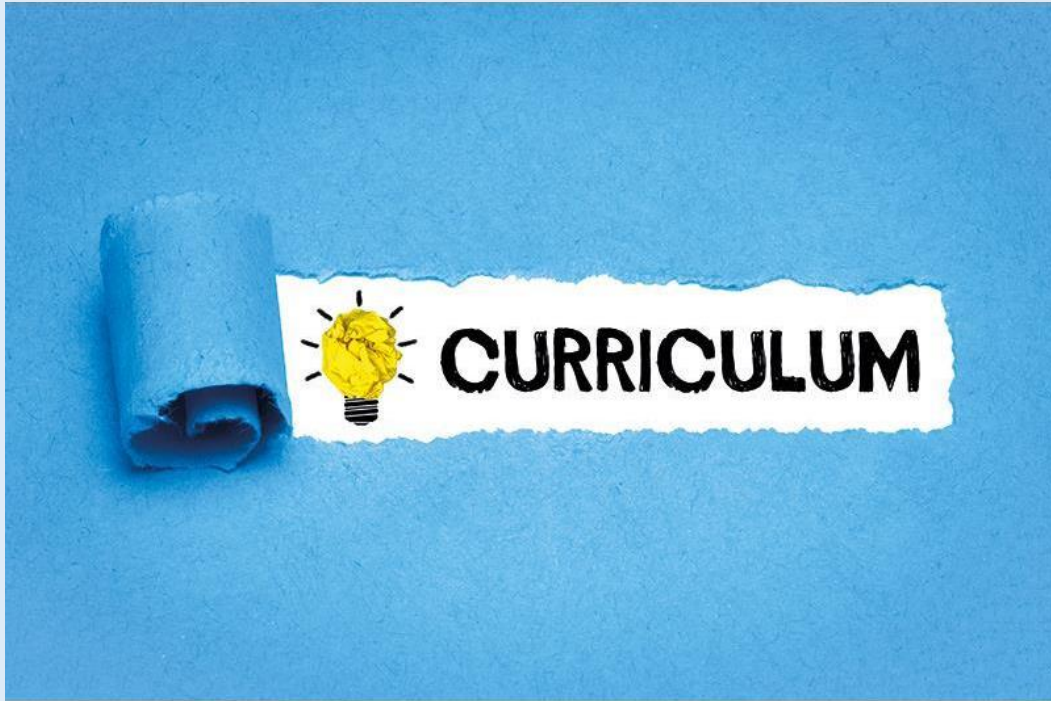


**RESILIENCE**





# Homework and the Year 11 Curriculum



# The Year 11 Curriculum



- Delivery of final aspects of the planned curriculum
  - Revisiting and revising previous topics
  - Practising/refining exam technique
  - Providing students with feedback that shows them where they are and enables them to improve
  - NEA guidance, supervision and completion
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- Ensuring students have what they need to revise (and know how to)
  - Providing subject support
  - Guidance to support decisions about next steps

# Homework expectations for Year 11

- Engagement with Year 11 homework/revision is **essential** for exam success
- Homework is set on Class Charts across the fortnight
- Independent revision needs to be planned in alongside this: little and often
- Year 11 will set revision tasks only in the three weeks prior to/including their mocks (except in instances where they are completing NEA components of their courses)





Overall, Interpretation...is more convincing because...



# Accessing support

# Helping you feel safe and supported

We are fortunate in being able to offer a lot of support to our school community through the following services:

- Tutors
- Heads of Houses
- Assistant Heads of Houses
- Safeguarding Team
- Pastoral Support
- Student Support
- Student Centre
- House Captains
- Groups/Societies
- School Nurse
- School Counsellors
- Youth Hub
- Youth Centre
- Partnership with community groups – Police, RNLI, GCT, etc.





# Introducing SHG.

**Student Health Guide (or SHG for short)** is a magazine designed to help you take control of your physical and mental health.

SHG has been designed by media professionals and medical experts to inspire and empower you to be the best version of yourself.

Here are three things you can expect SHG to help you with:



## Building resilience

Life can be tough and unfair, but we must keep going. Resilience is what helps us endure the hard stuff until it gets better. Which it always does.



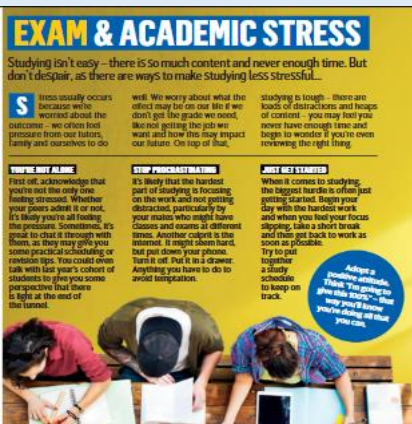
## Supporting friends

Feedback shows that over 70% of SHG readers feel better able to help a friend. Even if you don't need SHG's advice, someone you care about might.



## Signposting for action

We love action. SHG is filled with signposting for support, services and tools that you might need to take the next step towards improved health and wellbeing.





# Our Safeguarding Team



Deputy Head (Pastoral):

**Johnny Mailey** (Strategic Safeguarding Lead)

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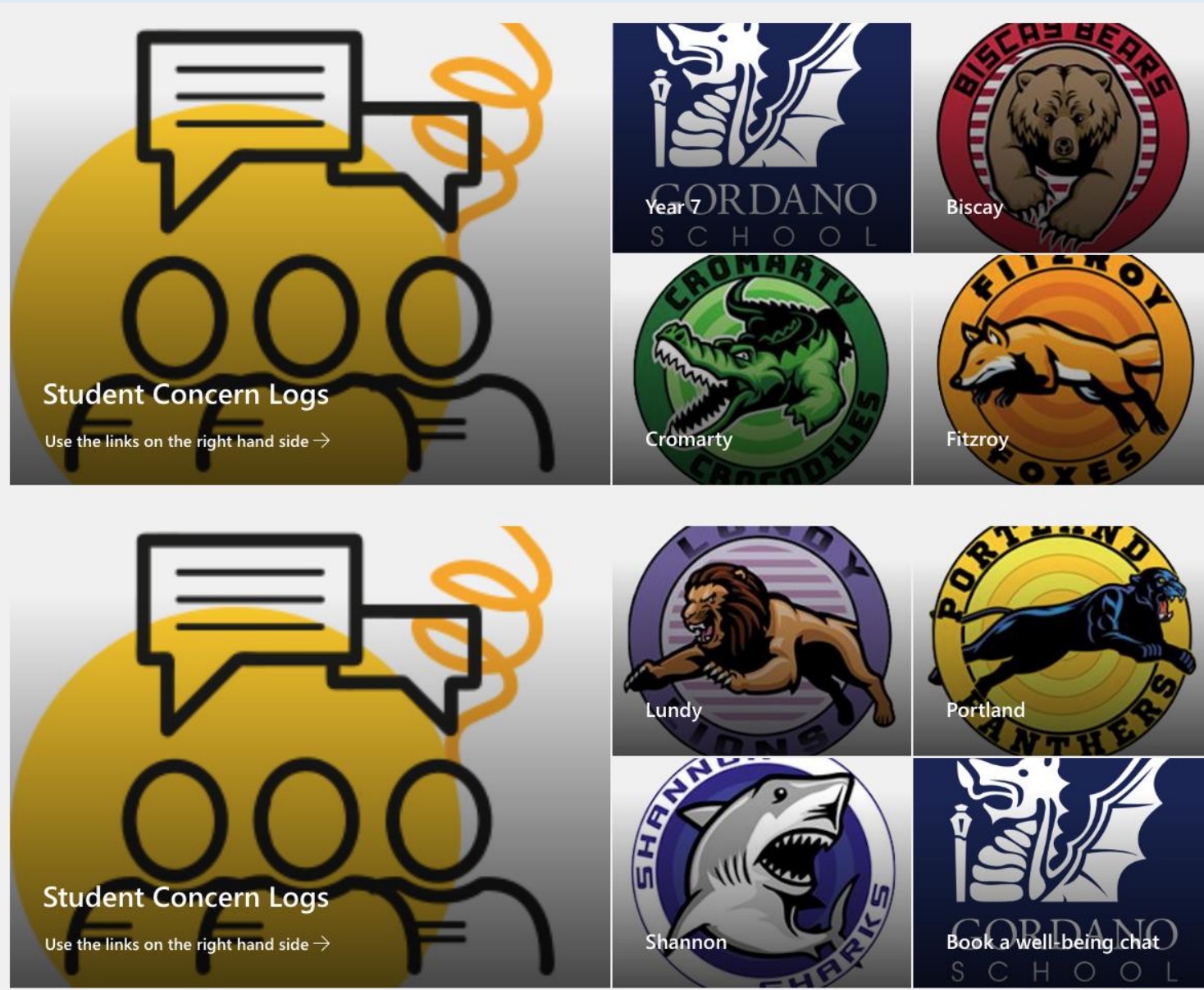
Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):

**Jeanne Fairs** (Assistant Head)

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# Keeping you safe





# Careers Information Advice and Guidance



Lisa Gardiner  
CAREERS ADVISER



Sue Jones  
CAREERS ADVISER



# Post 16 Options

- **Sixth Form** – A levels plus Level 3 Btecs
- **College** – A Levels, T Levels, Btec Extended diplomas at a range of different levels. Not only the main colleges but also various smaller ones such as Boom Satsuma, Robins Foundation, Access Creative College and more
- **Apprenticeship** – work towards a qualification and go to work full time.
- **Students can apply to as many as they would like and they should apply to at least 2 options – back up plan!**





# Qualifications - what's the difference?

- **A Levels** – academic study with exams at the end
- **T Levels** – mix of academic study and course work. Extended work experience placement
- **Extended Diplomas** – mainly coursework with some work experience
- All lead on to University or Apprenticeships



# Qualifications - levels

- **Level 3** (A levels and L3 Btecs/T levels) – 5 GCSE's 9-4 incl English and Maths but some will require specific results in certain subjects
- **Level 2** (Btec and T Levels) – 4 or more GCES at grades 9-2 with at least 2 at grade 3
- **Level 1** (Btecs) – 3 or more GCSEs at grade 1 or above



# Apprenticeships

- Working and studying
- Minimum hourly rate is £7.55 but most pay more
- Most Apprenticeships require grade 4 in Maths and English as a minimum, but some may require more than this
- You can do an Apprenticeship in just about anything!



# Apprenticeships Levels

<b>Intermediate</b>	2	GCSE
<b>Advanced</b>	3	A level
<b>Higher</b>	4,5,6 and 7	Foundation degree and above
<b>Degree</b>	6 and 7	Bachelor's or master's degree





# Apprenticeships - applying

- Harder to apply for than college or Sixth Form and no-one is guaranteed a place
- Need to apply direct to the Company or through [Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/find-an-apprenticeship)
- There will be an interview or a series of tasks plus an interview
- There will be other candidates
- **Must also apply to College/Sixth Form as a back up**



# **CAREERS CONVENTION**

**Thursday 2 October**

**Venues: Main Hall and Dining Hall**

**Time: 6-8 pm**



## **Open to all students**

**Come along and meet:**

**Employers**

**Universities**

**Colleges**

## **Careers Seminars**

**There will be talks throughout the evening in the Sixth Form Hall on Apprenticeships and College options**





Top tips for success next summer


1. Attendance and punctuality  
matter


2. Revision: little and often -  
start now!


3. Make the most of the  
opportunities available


 Home


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Adding & Subtracting Whole Numbers

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# Silver DofE Award

Well done to all of the students who undertook the Silver Award in Year 10!

If they have successfully completed the Silver Award they will be able to attempt the Gold Award in Year 12



# Term 1 and 2 'extra' sessions



## KS4 Revision and catch-up opportunities

Subject	Day	Time	Room	Teacher
<b>Maths</b>	Monday	3:20-4:00pm	MA8	JMW/MXA
<b>GCSE PE</b>	Wednesday	3.30-4.15pm	DT8	EVH/PEO
<b>Science</b>	Tuesday	3.20-4.20pm	S1 and S11	All Science staff
<b>English</b>	Wednesday	3:20-4:20pm	E2/E7	CRC/SXD
<b>Learning Hub (invite only)</b>	Tuesday	3.20-4:00pm	Learning Hub	ESG
<b>Spanish &amp; French</b>	Thursday	3:20 – 4:20pm	L8	BS/ HJM
<b>Music</b>	Wednesday	3:20 – 4:20pm	MU2 or LB1	SDD
<b>Psychology</b>	Monday	1:00-1:30pm	B6	RJ
<b>Art &amp; Photography</b>	Tuesday & Wednesday	Afterschool	AR2 or AR1	HJF
<b>DT</b>	By arrangement with your DT teacher	3.20 - 4.30pm	DT1,DT2,DT3,DT5,DT7,DT8	AXH, DQS, GEL, HKT, RIE
<b>History</b>	Thursday (from Term 2)	1:00-1.30pm	H3,H4,H7,H8	History Dept

Dream Big

Do Your Best

Give Back

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Once again, thank you for joining us.

I hope you found the presentation  
informative and that we will see you later  
in the year at some of our school events



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