

Sixth Form Open Evening Thursday 10th November 2022

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WELCOME

We are:



A Sixth Form that supports and values **academic rigour** with **outstanding results**.



A Sixth Form that challenges our students to **be the best** that they can be with a broad and engaging curriculum.



A Sixth Form that offers a full range of **advice and information** to inform employment, apprenticeship and degree routes after Year 13



A Sixth Form that gives students the **confidence to grow and challenge** themselves



A Sixth Form that **communicates closely** with students, carers and the community to enable the students to achieve their aspirations



Gordano Sixth Form

Our Values:



We are not an exam factory!



We are a full-time option



We are 'Hands-on'



We support students who want to follow a range of future pathways



...embedded in our local community



The Gordano offer



From lots of GCSE subjects to only 3



The Sixth Form offer

You will study **THREE***
main subjects –
vocational and / or A-
Level

You have the opportunity
to take an additional
LEVEL 3 qualification in
Core Maths or an
Extended Project

We are a Sixth Form within a school... what does that mean?

- Structured support
- Continuity with teachers
- Your teachers already know your strengths and weaknesses and can help you.
- Most staff teach year 7 - 13 – expertise across the whole syllabus
- Student Leadership opportunities
- Extra-curricular opportunities



Sixth Form

Student leadership

We know students don't all study in the same way

Quiet, silent supervised support

- Year 12 study room – Study plus sessions
- Year 13 – home study or the learning curve



Group/social study

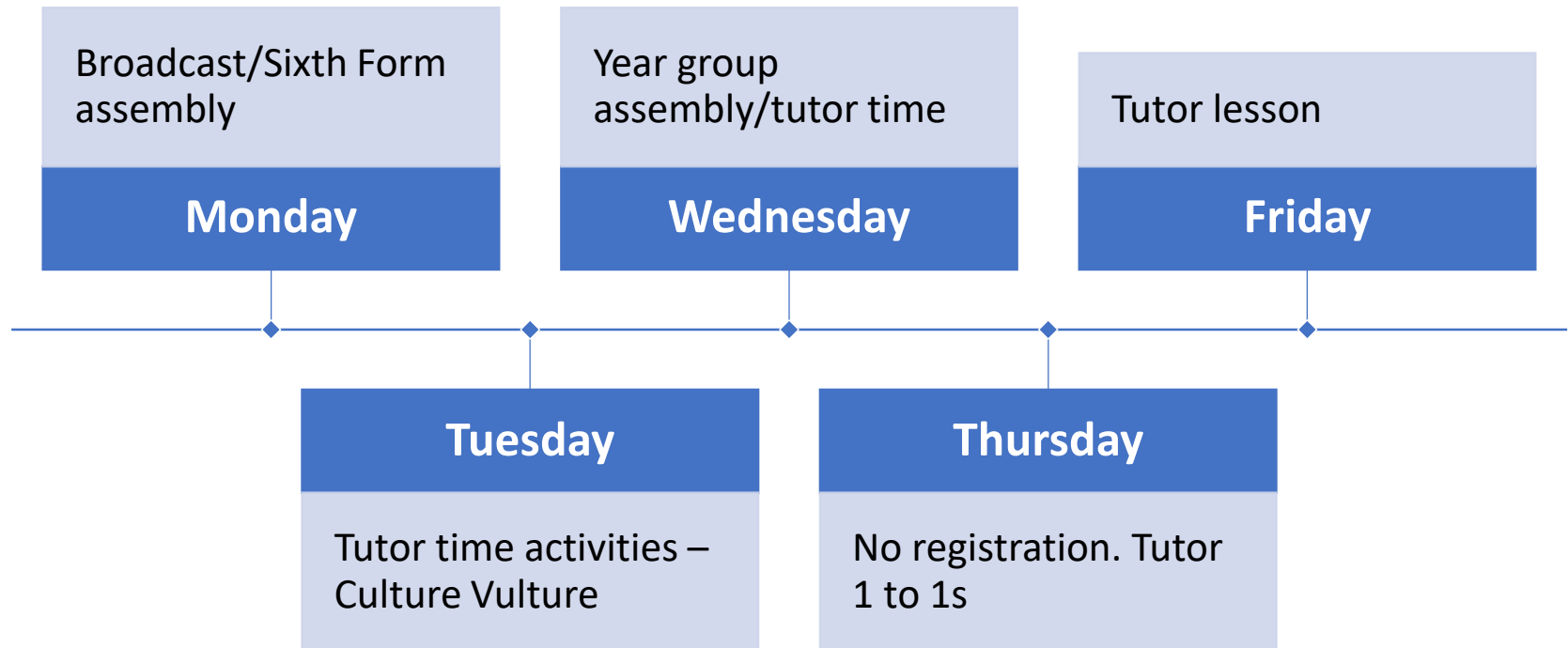
- Free periods – common room
- Specialist spaces – IT/Art/Music/DT



Pastoral Support



Tutor Programme



Student Support following Year 11

- SEND link – Linda Rigby
- Continuity with EAA (or assessment for new students if appropriate)
- Academic *monitoring*
- Academic *mentoring*
- Pathways to Wellbeing similar to the Lower School
- HOY, Tutor and Sixth Form office



Our Safeguarding Team

Deputy Head (Pastoral):

Johnny Mailey (Strategic Safeguarding Lead)

Office: Student Centre

Contact details: jmailey@gordanoschool.org.uk



Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Jeanne Fairs
(Assistant Head) - Student Centre Office

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Deputy DSL: Natalie Tester

Student Centre Office

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If you believe a person is on site and not authorised to be so, please ask them to report to main reception or contact a member of SLT immediately. School staff and Sixth Form students should wear their lanyard and photo ID at all times.



General Safeguarding of Students

If you feel vulnerable at any time you must tell a member of staff. This could be anyone you feel comfortable talking to. You should tell someone about any risk of harm from an adult whether that is at school, at home, on a school trip or on a work placement or in the community. All of our staff have been trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection.

Our specialist Safeguarding team are:



Ms J Fairs
Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Ms N Tester
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs N Cunniff
Child Protection
Officer



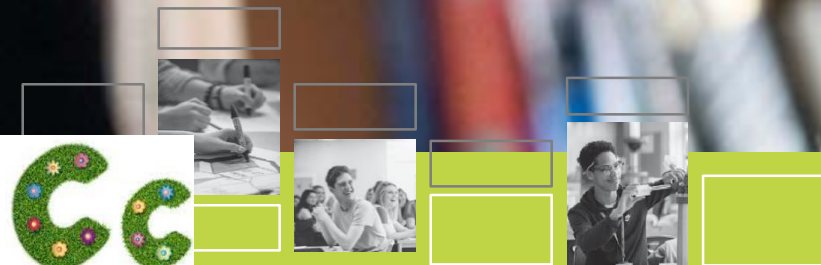
Ms C Dalling
Child Protection
Officer



Mrs E Robinson
Child Protection
Officer



Joining from 'outside' Gordano



'Give Back' opportunities

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- We offer a wide range of opportunities for you to work together to raise money, help within the community and have fun at the same time!

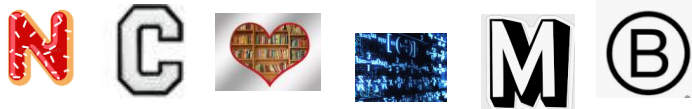


Living Life to the full

Dream big
Do your best
Give back



- Electives
- Trips and D of E
- Bake Off
- RAG
- May Day Challenge
- Christmas Revue
- Culture Vulture
- Sixth Form Council
- Prefecture
- Lower School support
- Silly Sports Day
- Kenya and World Challenge 2023



Careers Lessons in the Sixth Form



University

Oxbridge / Vets / Medicine

Apprenticeship

Employment

Gap Year



Finally - are GCSE grades important?

Entry criteria are very important

Universities also look at GCSE grades – not just A-Levels.



Next steps

- 10th November 2022: Sixth Form Open Evening (prospectus launch)
- 21st November 2022: Applications open for Sixth Form
- 9th January 2023: Deadline for applications
- 26th June 2023: Start of bridging week
- 24th August 2023: GCSE Results day



A chance to answer your questions

