Year 12 Parents Information Morning

Saturday 13th September 2025



THE BEECHEN CLIFF



Our vision is to enable our students to achieve their aspirations and become well-rounded, confident and compassionate individuals who go on to live fulfilled lives and make a positive contribution to society.

Aspiration

Compassion

Independence

Respect



Beechen Cliff Values

Aspiration
Compassion
Independence
Respect







Aspiration

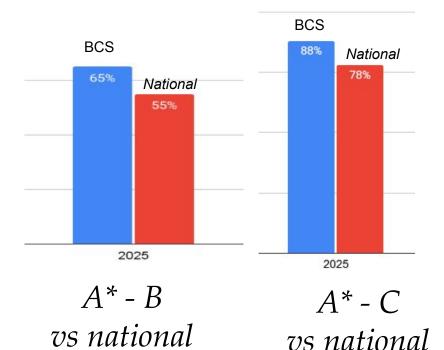
Compassion

Independence

Respect



KS5 Outcomes 2025



65% A*-B 88% A*-C

Average A Level Grade = B Average L3 Sport Grade = Distinction

90% to University (82% first choice)

Art Foundation Apprenticeship Professional Sport Employment



Sixth Form Life

- Tutor and Assembly
- Lessons 4 per week per A Level subject (11 for L3 Sport)
- Independent Study hours
- PSHE fortnightly
- Sixth Form Games optional Thu p5
- Study Spaces

8:25-9:00	Tutor time / Assembly
9:00-10:00	Period 1
10:00-11:05	Period 2
11:05-11:30	Break
11:30-12:30	Period 3
12:30-1:30	Period 4
1:30-2:15	Lunch
2:15-3:15	Period 5



Weekly Tutor Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Assembly		Tutor	Tutor	Careers*

- Each Term, we alternate between **study skills** and **careers** as a general focus.
- We also cover important causes, and have guest speakers in assemblies.



The Sixth Form Team

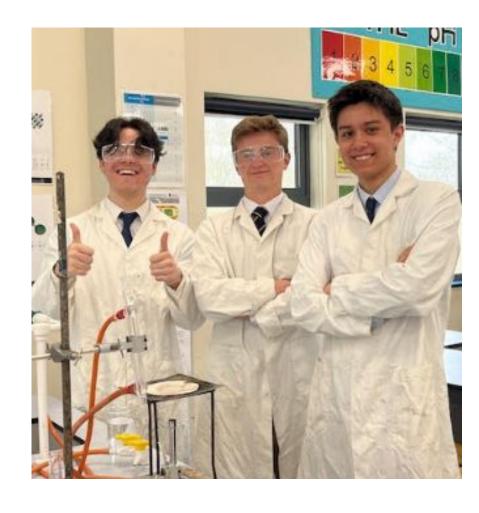
Assistant Headteacher (Head of Sixth Form) Kim Mather		
Deputy Head of Sixth Form Polly Netto		
Pastoral Manager (Year 12) Marina Watts	Pastoral Manager (Year 13) Lyn Price	
UCAS Coordinator Nadia Blaskiewicz	KS5 SEN Lead Teacher Kathryn Gallagher	
Sixth Form Tutor Team	Sixth Form Administrative Team	
BYa - Silvana Pavone (and Rabia Thorn -Wed) BYb - Polly Netto MLa - Nadia Blaskiewicz	Admissions Officer Jen Hulett	
MLb - Belinda Pretorius KPa - Rhiannon Sampson KPb - Lisa Jarvis	Attendance Officer Allison Jones	
SHa - Andy Hall SHb - Will Saunders	PA to the Head of Sixth Form <i>Marina Watts</i>	





Homework and Independent Study

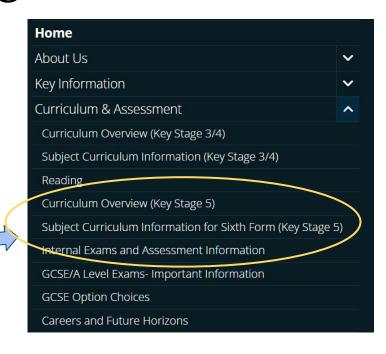
- Study hours in school
- Homework 'one hour in = one hour out'
- Google Classroom
- Revision, consolidation and prep





Supporting your son/daughter's studies

- Routine
- Equipment *
- Textbooks*
- Place to study at home
- Curriculum information = available on school website
- Check Arbor communications



*bursary information - email Mrs Watts (PA) via headofsixth@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk



Reporting and Assessments

- Reports are published in November, February and June in Year 12
- Accessible through Arbor along with timetables, attendance and conduct updates
- Parents Evening w/b 20th April
- Year 12 Exam Week w/b 1st June

MATHEMATICS

KS5 Assessments

2 x 45 minute timed assessments <u>in class</u> each term (i.e. usually one per teacher)

Focus on revision skills and exam technique

Year 12 exam weeks:

'Mid-Year Exam Week' w/b 12/01/26 (no study leave, 90 min during lesson)

'End of Year Exam Week' w/b 01/06/26 (study leave, full paper, exam hall)

Year 13 exam weeks:

'Mock Exam Week 1' (study leave, full paper, exam hall)

'Mock Exam Week 2' (study leave, full paper, exam hall)

Sixth Form Systems & Expectations



Aspiration

Compassion

Independence

Respect

Sixth Form Code of Conduct

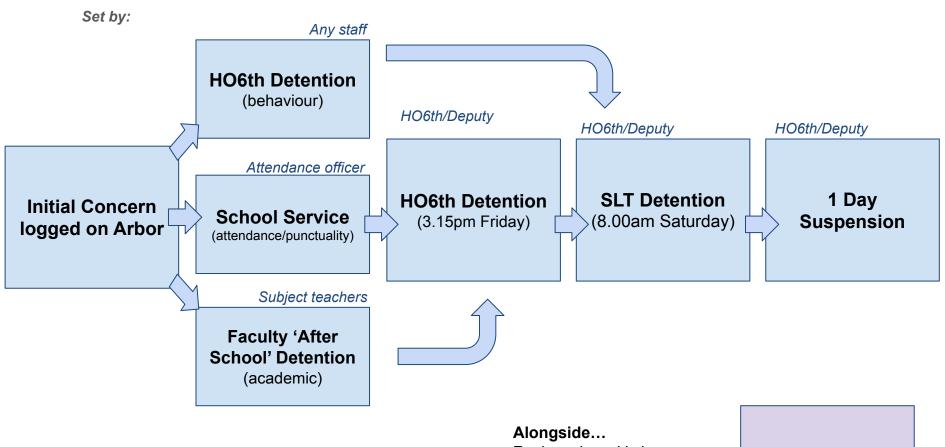
Beechen Cliff Sixth Form - Code of Conduct 25-26

- Attendance
- Punctuality
- Dress code
- Phone use
- Independent study (homework etc)

These are logged as behaviour points on Arbor.



Sixth Form Sanction Escalation Process



Reviewed weekly by HO6th/Deputy based on Arbor incidents recorded and absence to sanctions above

Reports Cards - 4 Stage System



Student Monitoring Report System

Stage	Overview	Criteria	Action(s)
Initial concern logged. Actioned internally e.g. After School detention with subject teacher, 'school service' or HO6th detention (dependent on reason for sanction).			
1	Cause for Concern	Multiple separate concerns logged	Stage 1 letter to parent/carer Stage 1 report card - 2 week (normal lesson schedule), reviewed by tutor and student
2	Ongoing Concern	No improvement in conduct	Stage 2 letter to parent/carer Report card for 2 weeks ('extended timetable' - free periods in ISR). Parent review meeting 1
3	Serious Concern	No improvement in conduct	Stage 3 letter to parent/carer Report card for a term ('extended timetable' - free periods in ISR). Parent review meeting 2
4	Final Warning	No improvement in conduct	Final warning letter to parent/carer. Indefinite 'extended timetable' - free periods in ISR with accompanying report card Parent review meeting 3 Withdraw prom place
Sixth Form place withdrawn			

Aspiration

Compassion

Independence

Respect



Sixth Form Character Award

	Character criteria	Student explanation of evidence	'Referee' for this activity.	Signed off by tutor
1	Attitude to study		KMA / PEN	
2	Attendance >95%		AJO	
3	Experience of the workplace		EPA	
4	Extra curricular participation			
5	Super curricular participation			
6	Sustained community contribution			
7	Student leadership			
8	Volunteering - school			

Sixth Form tutors will be asked to monitor the completion of an evidence document (see left) which the students will have set as an ongoing assignment on their Tutor GC.

These will be reviewed by tutors/HO6th at the end of Term 4 each year to award levels.

Bronze: 4 criteria met



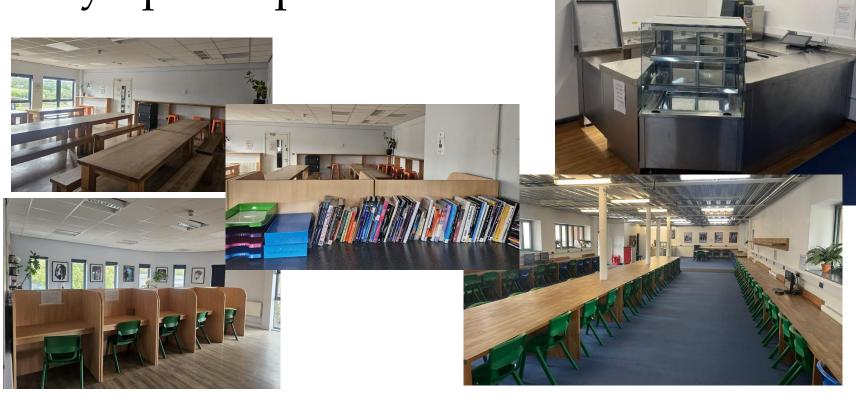
Gold: 8 criteria met







Study Space updates



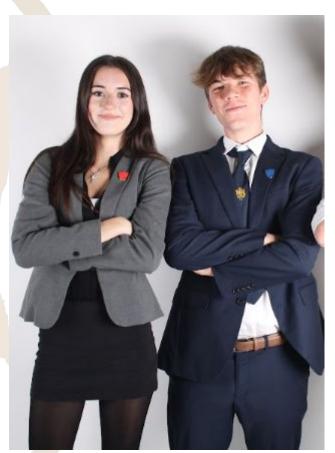
Independent Study Room (ISR)

Open Learning Area and Cafe



Dress Code!





PSHE programme

Compulsory fortnightly lessons (Tuesday, Week A)

Mental Health	Human Rights
Finance	Religion
Relationships	Modern Families
Cancer / Meningitis	'HSB'
Drugs, Alcohol, Vapes	Stress and Anxiety
Personal Safety	Future Planning



Super Curriculum

- EPQ
- Guest Speakers
- Academic trips
- Wider reading





EPQ (Extended Project)

Starts in Term 2 (sign up at school via school emails near the end of term 1)

Students can do an Extended Project on just about *any* subject. Students produce a 5000 word essay or an artefact (e.g. a sculpture, film, performance etc) with accompanying report.



Examples of previous EPQ projects

'Star in a jar': can nuclear fusion save the world?

To what extent have abortion laws been more effective in the UK than in Uganda?

A body positive fashion photography campaign for Calvin Klein

A comparative analysis of the different ancient jurisprudence systems and how they impact modern law making.

EMPs: What would happen to the world if it lost all power?

An investigation of the efficacy of treatments for myeloid leukemia.

Who was the most influential mathematician of all time?

To what extent is it possible to disrupt the Amazon monopoly?

An investigation into the factors affecting economic growth in Ethiopia.

To what extent can we justify funding theoretical physics?

Cinderella's Diary: A short story inspired by the writings of Mark Twain.

An analysis of the language used in the election speeches of Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton in the 2016 US presidential election.

The Malthusian catastrophe: how to solve world hunger.

An architectural model of an eco-friendly building based on Passivhaus design.



Extra Curriculum

- Sixth Form Games
- Clubs
- Trips

Upcoming opportunities:

Morocco World Challenge Gold Duke of Edinburgh Reading Buddies Bath Rugby Foundation







Pastoral Support

- **Tutor Team**: your first point of contact. You will receive an email from them early this term
- Pastoral Team: Year 12 pastoral manager Mrs Price <u>mwatts@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk</u>, Tutors, Counsellors
- 'Solution-Focussed' training for over 60 staff
- Student-led Mental Health Team



www.boysin mind.co.uk

We currently have 5 ex-students and 3 staff members as ambassadors and team members



Harry (he/him)

I've always had a good understandling about my mental health and how! best cope with the problems! face whether that be playing rugby, reading or performing in a theatre. I found out about Boys in Mind through presentations in school about mental health. The pressures to 'man up' is something! have experienced first hand and the opportunity to become a youth advisor and challenge these mental health stigmas is crucial as we show people that's it's ok to express themselves and ask for help if they are struggling.

In my free time I like to spend as much time with my family as having a good relationship with my parents and sisters really helps my well being as it gives me a reliable support base.



Olivia

(she/her)

I became involved with Boys in Mind through my sixth form, being part of short films about young people's mental health and solution focused responses. Being a Youth Advisor for Boys in Mind has helped me massively with my own mental health, to feel less isolated and more confident in who I am. It's given me an empowering way to create change and release a lot of guilt I've felt in the past when unable to help people I love severely struggling with their mental health.

In my free time I enjoy hiking, baking and reading and going to music concerts



Azad

(he/him)

I was once a young boy who grew up around a culture where mental health didn't matter. I now as a young man have grown up to see mental health is everything. As I was struggling with mental health mainly in secondary school I started to look for hobbies to do and I found rugby as my gateway to happiness.



Volunteering and Leadership

Our expectation is that <u>all</u> students participate in volunteering as part of our programme of study.

- Peer Mentoring
- Reading buddies
- Being a 'teaching assistant'
- Charity work and trips
- Running a club
- Coaching
- Helping at Open Mornings/Evenings
- Student bulletin entries







Post-18 Choices

Our Future Horizons Careers programme is designed to provide sixth form students with the skills, knowledge and confidence to make informed decisions about their future, whether that is university study, an apprenticeship or employment.

- Personalised advice from our Head of Careers (epascoe@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk)
- Opportunities to meet employers from different sectors
- Off-timetable Careers Days
- Uni visits
- 1:1 support and guidance with applications
- Inspiration

Our Headline Events

- UCAS Information Day
- Uni and Apprenticeship Exhibition
- National Apprenticeship Week
- Careers Workshops
- Financial Education Talks
- Oxbridge Conference
- BCS Careers Fair
- Work Experience Week



UC/\S

Around 80-90% of Beechen Cliff students will go on to study at **university**.

- 1:1 support from tutors
- Input from admissions tutors and experts
- Mock interviews
- The Oxbridge Programme
- MedSoc

UCAS Information Evening – February 2026 UCAS Exhibition – March/April 2026





Thank you for listening

This will be on the school website from Monday morning.

If you have any queries, please contact HeadofSixth@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk

