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Year 10 into Year 11 Parent Forum

Summer 2025





Post-mocks survey



5. Which of the following statements best reflects the revision you did for your mock exams?

- I didn't do any revision for my mock exams
- I did a bit of revision, but could have done more to better prepare myself
- I did enough revision to effectively prepare myself
- I did more than enough revision and was confident going into my mock exams







- 2. Which of the following strategies did you use when revising for your Year 10 mock exams?
 - Blurting
 - Knowledge organisers
 - Quizzes (including online quizzes)
 - Past paper questions
 - Flash cards
 - Mind maps
 - I didn't revise for my Year 10 mocks

Other







7. Did you use the Year 10 Revision Team on Microsoft Teams to access revision resources?







Post-mock actions to prepare for Year 11



- 1. Student conversations
- 2. Summer homework
- 3. Year 11 mock preparation



1. Student conversations



- These are in the process of taking place before the end of term
- An opportunity to reflect with a member of staff on mock outcomes and decide upon next steps
- Actions will be shared with parents, either directly if you are present, or afterwards via phone/email if the meeting is done in school hours with just the student



2. Summer Homework



- To further support students, post mock exams
 - Knowledge gap filling
 - Skill practice
- Tasks shared from Monday 7th July
 - With students in class and on Microsoft Teams
 - With home via the Noticeboard on Edulink







3. Year 11 mock preparation



The importance of revision

- From Cognitive Science
 - Shown that repeatedly revisiting material over a sustained period helps improve recall and retention
- In practice
 - Improves students' study skills
 - Helps with organisation and routines
 - Improves confidence in learning and makes students feel better prepared
 - Produces better student outcomes





Revision at Vista



- Misconceptions to avoid
 - Revision is reading over notes
 - Revision is done at the end of a topic or just before tests/exams
 - Last minute cramming works
- In practice
 - Day to day retrieval and practice within lessons
 - Strengthening recall and application through work at home
 - Homework
 - Revision strategies











Revision at Vista







Intervention Programme



- After-school interventions (3:10pm-4:10pm)
- Students will be invited based on their area of need
- Delivered by subject specialists
- Targeted





How to support your child



- Review outcomes of Year 10 mocks with your child
- Support with Summer homework: working on gaps identified in mocks
- Build time into a weekly routine for homework and revision
- Create a space that enables focused work
 - Yes, that includes removing the mobile phone
- Repeatedly use the 'Revision Toolkit' from the school website strategies take time to embed and have an
 effect
- Support attendance at after school intervention sessions
- Familiarise yourself with the Noticeboard on Edulink:
 - Summer homework tasks
 - Revision resource bank



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Post-16

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Preparing the way ahead

- Enrichment week provider workshop
- Personal statement small groups
- Sway
- CAP evening 8th October
- 1-1 with Mrs Martin



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Post-16 Enrichment Week Workshops Thursday 17th July

Hills Road

Study Skills, Revision & Independent Learning

Chesterton

Interview Confidence and Personal Presentation

CWA

Vocational Pathways & Apprenticeships

CRC

Employability skills

Bishop Laney

Post-16 Life: Budgeting, Travel, and Responsibility

P-16 Applications

- Mocks and P-16 grades whole year and mocks
- Behaviour specific information

 relationship with staff and students
 suspensions
- Attendance
- Work Experience
- Reference from Tutor and checked by SLT



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Final Reference

Which of the following best describes your recommendation?

Fully supported with no reservations

Supported with minor reservations

Significant reservations/concerns

Comment

Characteristics	Good	Acceptable	Concerned	Comment
Punctuality	•	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Behaviour	⊘	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Commitment to Learning	O	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	

Timeline – P-16 application

September

Application window opens

Parents/carers support submission & interviews

Personal statements can be updated

December

Deadline to apply for at least **2 courses**:

Aspirational

Confident



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Timeline continued

Jan – Easter

Guidance interviews (Teams or in-person)

February

National Apprenticeship Week

Parents/carers to help secure apprenticeships

Vacancies shared in weekly newsletter



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Personal Statement

- **1. Introduction** Who they are and their ambitions
- **2. School Subjects** Strengths and key skills
- **3.** Responsibility Leadership or mentoring roles
- 4. In-School Extras Drama, clubs, events, sports
- 5. Work Experience Skills gained and usefulness
- **6.** Outside Interests Hobbies, volunteering, awards
- **7. Future Plans** Career goals and motivation

How You Can Help: •

- ✓ Encourage applications early
 ✓ Support with personal statement writing
 ✓ Help search for apprenticeships
 ✓ Ensure they attend interviews and open days

Do not use ChatGPT!

Have you tried CiCi the careers chat bot?



Sentence starters

My name is...

I am currently a student at...

My hobbies and interests are...

The subjects I am interested in studying

are...

I am interested in these subjects because...

In the future, I hope to...

My strongest subjects are...

These subjects suit me because...

I manage my learning and deadlines by...

I stay motivated when...

I will contribute to the college by...

My future goals include...

I am excited about...



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Home Opportunities Events Information

About our prospectus

Welcome to MyChoice16, your Online Careers Gateway.

MyChoice16 is an online prospectus and application system for young people to apply to school sixth forms, colleges and training providers.

Anyone can browse the prospectus to find out more about courses and opportunities, but to make an application you will need your log in details.



Upcoming Events

Keep an eye out for upcoming open days and evenings as well as any other special activities going on in the area.



September 27, 2023 17:30 - 20:30

College of West Anglia - A-Level Open Evening -King's Lynn campus

College of West Anglia (King's Lynn campus) i October 7, 2023 09:00 - 12:30

College of West Anglia - Open Morning - King's Lynn campus

College of West Anglia (King's Lynn campus)



🛱 October 7, 2023 09:00 - 12:30

College of West Anglia - Open Morning - Sports campus

College of West Anglia (Sports Compus)







Welcome back, Janet

What do you want to do today?

Apply

You need to fully complete both your profile and next steps before you can make an application.

Your profile	Intended Destination	Your Applications	in one handy place.
Your profile A record of your information. Status	Intended Destination Where you plan to go after year II? Status complete	Your Applications Management centre.	1 Messages You have new messages to read
Update your details >	Change destination >	Create or Review applications >	1 Your Profile Only 1 more section left to complete your profile

At a glance...

Everything you need to know about in one handy place.

Tools

This is where you can access additional packages.

Message centre You have 1 new message.		Your favourites Add and remove saved courses.
Create a new message	>	
View your inbox	>	Manage your list (28)

Privacy & personalisation

Your data and preferences that help make our services more useful to you.

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Account Settings

View your options

Privacy Settings View your options

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Your profile

Your individual user information that is used for creating your applications.

< Back to your account

This is all about you, Janet.

In order to complete your profile, please work through and complete each of the sections.

Personal Details Please make sure your personal email address is correct so that you can be contacted by the provider when you leave school	Address Information about where you live,	Health Information given on this section will not affect your application, but will ensure that you are supported by the provider. Please check the drop down list by clicking Yes - if nothing applies then click No.	Parental Information Contact details of your parent, carer or guardian.
Status complete Update details >	Status complete	Status complete	Status complete
Your qualifications List all your qualifications from secondary education onwards.	Work Experience This section is all about the work experience you have had, including any part time jobs, and references.	Your personal statement Your personal statement helps us to learn about you; what your hobbles and interests are and what you might want to do after year 13 - we can get to know you, before we meet you!	Equality and Diversity This section is all about who you are and what you believe.
Status incomplete Update details >	Status complete Update details >	Status complete	Status complete Update details >

What's next?

Once your profile is complete you can create an application or use your other tools.

Print your profile		Add courses to favourites		Create an application		Message centre	
Create a PDF	•	Search courses	>	Create/View applications	>	View your messages	>

The profile is the main part of any application and will be attached to different courses for each college application

It is really important that every part of your profile is completed accurately, especially contact emails and phone numbers after leaving the school.

Your qualifications will be uploaded by the school so there are 7 areas of your profile that must be completed before an application is sent on.

	Home	Opportunities	Events	Information			
< Back to your profile							
Personal Details							
This section covers information about y	ou.						
Forename(s) *							
						a glance	
Surname (family name) *					How m	iuch have you com	
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Preferred First Name					\checkmark	Address	
					\checkmark	Health	
Preferred Last Name					~	Parental Informa	tion
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Date Of Birth						Work Experience	
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Day Month	Year				<u> </u>	Your personal st	
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Home Phone No.							
Personal Phone No.							
Personal Email Address *							
School Email Address							
Sex							
Female			~				

At a glance

Shows the progress of your profile – a green tick = complete, a red cross = incomplete. You can go back and change any part of your profile up until it is sent by the school.





Home Opportunities Events Information

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Health

Information about your health.

Learning difficulty, disability or health problem *

Do you consider yourself to have any medical disability, learning difficulty or other health problem?







It is really important that you click yes on the health section to make sure you identify any issues.

Colleges need to know this information in advance so that they can support you once enrolled.

This information will not influence your application in any way.

Likewise for SEND.

The next part is for September

• The Cambridge Area Partnership will release dates for when applications can start

When you have completed your profile and destination section it is time to make your applications.

Three applications should be enough and three or more courses per application.

There is only one application per college.

Apply

You need to fully complete both your profile and next steps before you can make an application.



Hi Janet, you've got this!

You can create a new application or review your existing applications.

To create an application follow these steps.



Standard Application

This is the most popular application and can be used for any provider.



Create a new application



Helping you to make the right choice.



Search for opportunities



What do you want to study?



Full time courses Browse our range of both vocational and academic courses and get your career off to a flying start.



Employer courses Browse our range of work related courses



Full time courses

Provider apprenticeships Browse our range of provider apprenticeship courses



Search

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Jobs Browse our range of courses

Your Local Online Careers Gateway

We know it can sometimes be difficult to find what you are looking for, so if you have any questions or suggestions just ask and get in touch with us!



Useful linksOther websitesInformation & GuidanceSuccess at SchoolOpportunitiesNational Careers ServiceLabour Market InformationicouldGet in touchSuccess at School



Not quite sure what you're looking for or where to start? Try searching...





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Filters

Select the type of course you're interested in to filter your results.





Enter either the postcode where you live or where you would like to travel from.

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A Level Geography

A Level Geography Bishop Laney Sixth Form **Bishop Laney**



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A Level Geography Hills Road Sixth Form College R GCE A/AS Level or Equivalent E Level 3



A Level Geography Abbey College Ramsey 🙊 GCE A/AS Level or Equivalent 🔳 Not Set The filter can be used to specify your search.

In this example all the geography courses on the prospectus can be viewed.



Log out

Added to favourites A Level Geography has been added.

Each course will have the same information sections.

To make an application you must favourite courses that you are interested in. These can be deleted and added to as you go along. < Back to search results



A Level Geography The Oakes College Cambridge Queen Edith's Way, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CBI 8NN

GCE A/AS Level or Equivalent Evel 3



Opportunities

Events

Information

Home

Image gallery Click on any image to enlarge.



Similar Courses

- A Level Art, Craft and Design / Fine Art
- 🔲 A Level Biology
- 🔲 A Level Business
- D A Level Chemistry
- 🔟 A Level Drama and Theatre
- A Level Economics
- A Level English Language and Literature
- 🔟 A Level English Literature
- 🛄 A Level Film Studies
- A Level Further Mathematics

+ View all similar courses

Add and remove saved courses.

Your favourites

Manage your list (29)

As you start to favourite courses, the system stores them under the colleges.

The favourite section can be used to add or delete courses following advice and guidance.

Favourites



< Back to your account

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Compare and organise

These are the courses/opportunities you've added to your favourites list, grouped by provider.

Bishop Laney Sixth Form	
A Level Geography Level 3 (01/09/2023)	View Remove
A Level Chemistry Level 3 (01/09/2023)	View Remove
A Level Art & Design (Fine Art) Level 3 (01/09/2023)	View Remove
Cambridge Maths School	
A Level Maths and Further Maths Level 3 (01/09/2023)	View Remove
A Level Biology Level 3 (01/09/2023)	View Remove
A Level Chemistry Level 3 (01/09/2023)	View Remove



Management centre.

Create or Review applications >

Back to your account and then create an application.

Your favourited courses and colleges will appear on the drop down

Choose a provider

Select the provider for this application.



Janet, let's pick the provider you're applying to.

Choose from the list below.

Please select...

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Save and continue Concel

Please select Favourites Bishop Laney Sixth Form Cambridge Maths School Cambridge Regional College College of West Anglia Comberton Sixth Form Hills Road Sixth Form College (Not currently Long Road Sixth Form College Longsands Academy Parkside Sixth St Ivo Academy The Oakes College Cambridge Others Abbey College Cambridge Academy for Science and Tech Chesterton Community College Hinchingbrooke School Impington International College	
Neale -Wade Academy	 v

Save and continue Concel

Once you have chosen a provider from the drop down the system will take you to the favourited courses where you can add them to create an application.

Course choices

For Bishop Laney Sixth Form (658907)

< Back to your application

It is time to choose...

Select each course you would like to include in your application.

1. Add a course from your favourites list.

Bishop Laney Sixth Form	Browse courses
A Level Art & Design (Fine Art) (01/09/2023)	Add course
A Level Chemistry (01/09/2023)	Add course
A Level Geography (01/09/2023)	Add course

2. Double-check your choice and order by preference.

Please note - any courses with a red background are no longer available and need to be removed from your application.

Until you add at least one course, you cannot progress with your application.





Are you ready, Janet?

Your Application ID is 658907. If you have any problems, please refer to this number.

▲ This application has not been sent yet.

Personal Details	Address Status	Health	Parental Information
Update details >	Update details >	Update details >	Update details >
Your qualifications Status Update details	Work Experience Status Update details	Your personal statement Status Update details	Equality and Diversity Status Update details >
Course Choices No course chosen. Status Add/remove courses	Review & Send Your Application Status Review and send		



Bishop Laney Sixth Form (658907)



Review your details

Take your time to check all the information is correct.

Personal Details

Forename(s) Test

Surname (family name) Student 2

Preferred First Name Janet

Preferred Last Name Harris

Date Of Birth 19/07/2016

Home Phone No. +447858252542

Personal Phone No. 101010101010

Personal Email Address harris_janet@outlook.com

School Email Address harris_janet@outlook.com

Sex Male

Condor Identity

Once you have chosen your courses and made an application you will be able to review your details before it is sent to school's hold.

This can be edited.

Course Choices (in preference order)
1 A Level Art & Design (Fine Art) (Level 3)
2 A Level Chemistry (Level 3)
3 A Level Geography (Level 3)
Why have you chosen the course(s)? IjjIjII IjIJjIjI IjII Edit Course Choices
Preference
Application Preference *
Please select if this provider is your first/second etc. choice, as a place to study the courses on this application
Please Select ~
Additional support
Will you need support at your College interview? * If you answer yes to this question, the college may contact you for further information
No

At the end of the application review process, you will be asked to preference your course choice with 1 being first.

You will also be asked to state your application preference. First choice college, second choice and so on.

Consent

Please note that if you do not consent your on-line application will not be shared and you will have to apply using a different format. Please contact the provider directly to find out more.

- I have read and give my explicit consent for the personal information about me that is saved on this site to be held by Cambridge County Council, and for this information to be shared with my existing and other educational institutions. This includes schools/academies, colleges and training providers to whom I apply. This data will be shared for the purposes described in, and processed in accordance with, The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 and the Data Protection Act 2018 [subject to Royal Assent], and outlined in the site's Privacy Notice. The information will only be processed for the purposes of training and education and the provision of grants and benefits.
- To fully support your progress, do you also give consent for your post-16 provider to provide your current school with information about you such as your enrolment with them, your course, qualifications achieved and your destination when you leave them?

I have reviewed the application, I'm satisfied with the contents and wish to send it to the provider.

You will be asked to give consent for 3 aspects of the application.

- That you agree to sending your data to the colleges etc
- 2. That you agree to your school asking the college for any information on your progress.
- 3. That you are happy with your choices

Send your application Cancel

- When you press the send button your application will not be sent to the college or sixth form.
- > It will go into 'schools hold' and remain in the school system.
- This is to allow your form tutor to add a reference and for the staff at school to check that your application is accurate.
- \succ All applications will be sent by your school.
- As you get responses to your applications you will be notified via email of any messages that need to be responded to about your application.

As you get responses to your applications you will be notified via email, and these can be seen in your messaging centre, in the tools section of your account



In conclusion.....

When applications have been made, they can be viewed in the application section, and if there is a message connected to the application, the envelope on the right-hand side will indicate this. An application can be withdrawn at any time, but only if you are sure, that you do not want the application to go to the provider.

Don't withdraw an application if there is just a change of course etc., as the post 16 centre can do this for you If you message them with the details.







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