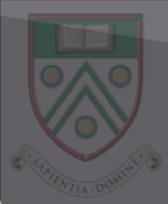
Year 13 Raising Achievement Evening

## 21/09/2023



## 2023 A Level Outcomes



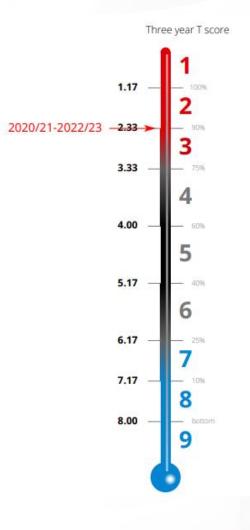
A\*-A grades 53%

A\*-B grades 76.4%

A\*-E grades 98.6%

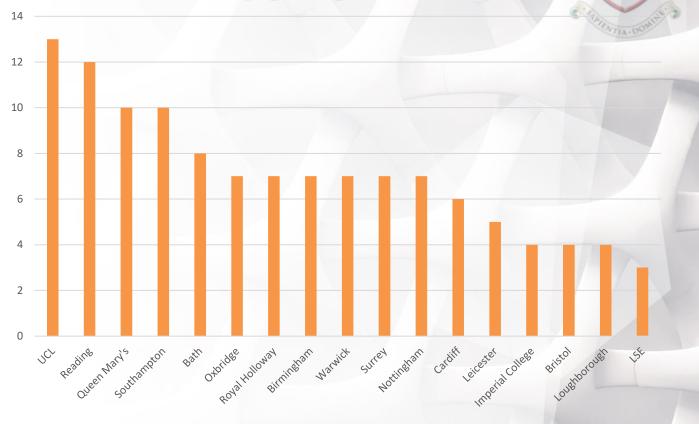
117 achieved their first choice

45% Russell Group Universities

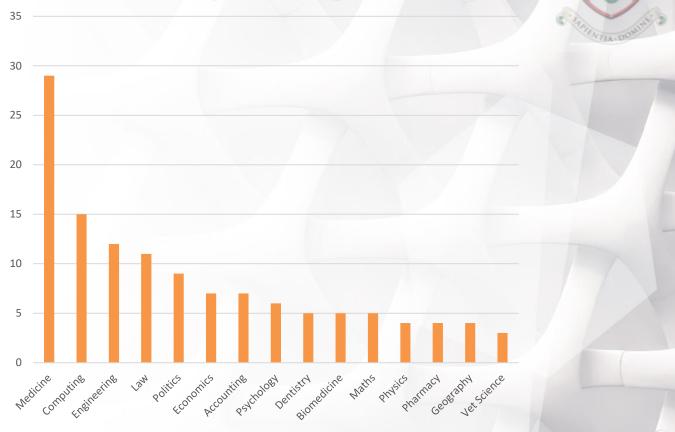


## ALPS Value Added 2023

#### Where are they going?



## What are they reading?



## **First Steps**

#### Review

#### Choose

#### Review

Review Year 1 results to identify strengths and weaknesses. Choose 3 (or 4) subjects to continue to A Level which build on Year 1 successes

Review approach last year- use of time, engagement with teachers outside lessons.



## Minimum target A level grades Based on average GCSE point score

GCSE score band	QCA score band	Target grade aspiration	Minimum exp grades (exc Gen St) taking 3 or 4 A levels	Subjects to be taken (exc gen St)
7.5-8.0	55.0-58.0	A*/A	A*AAA	4
7.0-<7.5	52.0-<55.0	A	AAA	3/4
6.7-<7.0	50.2-<52.0	В	ABB	3
6.4 -<6.7	48.4-<50.2	В	888	3
6.1-<6.4	46.6-<48.4	B/C	BBC	3
5.8-<6.1	44.8-<46.6	B/C	BCC	3
5.5-<5.8	43.0-<44.8	C	333	3
5.2 -<5.5	41.2-<43.0	C	CCD	3
4.7-<5.2	38.2-<41.2	C/0	CDD	3
4.0-<4.7	34.0-<38.2	D	DDD	3/2
0.0-<4.0	10.0-<34.0	D	DDD	3/2

## **Predicted Grades**



 'Universities and colleges take much more than just grades into consideration when deciding whether to offer a place – things such as the personal statement, relevant experience, interview performance, your motivation, and commitment to study. They also consider the overall demand for places on the course, and the success of past students who achieved the same A level grades as you are predicted. Remember, this is an **estimate** based solely on past applications from other people studying the same A levels and with the same predicted grades.' Source: ucas.com

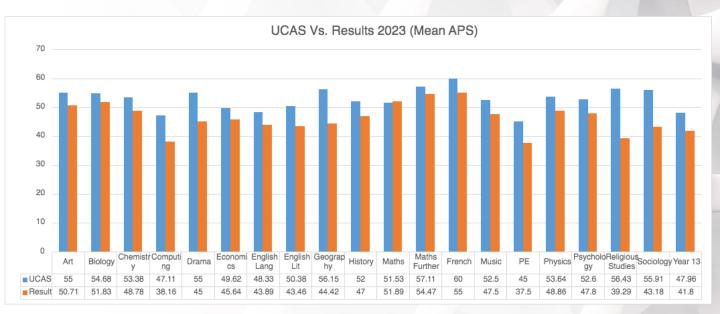
Our predictions at Langley Grammar School are based on evidence and allow for progress in Y13 and in addition are 'optimistically realistic'

## **Inflated Predicted Grades**



- Universities ignore them
- Universities provide fewer offers to institutions that inflate their grades.
- Students receive higher offers that they are unable to achieve on results day.
- ALPS target grades as predictions- do not enable students who have not achieved well at GCSE to show progression in the Sixth Form.

#### **Predicted Grades at Langley Grammar School**



#### How 'realistically optimistic' are we?

In summary in 2023.....

- We **predicted** an average point score across the subjects across the cohort of 47.96 points.
- The **actual** average point score across the subjects across the cohort was 41.8 points
- Our predictions were generous by 6.16 points, (10 points is a grade, so approx two thirds of a grade)
- We have changed our process this year.

## **UCAS References**



Section 1- School Context (compulsory)



Section 2- Extenuating circumstances/ support provided at school (optional)

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Section 3-,Supportive Academic Information (optional)



## Post 18 Pathways

- Applying to Universityfull degree, foundation degree
- Applying for Higher Apprenticeships
- Applying for Degree Apprenticeships
- Gap Year- structured
- Careers advice and support limited to nonexistent when they leave school.



## What is happening?



- Supervised Study Report
- Academic Mentoring
- Guidance/ support from subject teachers
- One to one personal statement support



## **Assessment Points**

- 20 September- UCAS predicted grades issued
- Thursday 19 October- Parent Teacher Consultation 1
- WB 02 January- Y13 Practice Exams
- WB Tuesday 27 February- Parent Teacher Consultation 2
- June- Public Examinations begin
- Thursday 15 August 2024 Results Day



## Good attendance is key

- As close to 100% as possible
- Evidence shows poor attendance correlates to poor outcomes. All 4 students who underachieved in all 3 of their subjects attendance was a factor in all cases.
- Routine appointments outside school hours
- Applicant days/ interviews.



# Attitude is key

- Getting Post 18 pathway applications in early
- Unremitting approach
- Proactive with teachers
- Completing additional work to tasks set by the teacher, which is shown to the teacher.
- Spreadsheet of past papers and their scores





## Making progress at A Level Make it happen!

Remember Year 2 is HARDER than Year 1

- Ask for advice from teachers in areas of uncertainty and about how to achieve the next grade up (within and outside lessons as you go through the course
- Use the exam specification as a checklist, Checking their revision against these or PLCs
- Review lesson content afterwards, complete topic past paper questions and read ahead for the next
- Use distraction blocker apps -self control or cold turkey

## Independent Learning





Take personal responsibility for progress



Universities want people who have a real interest in studying the subject and can show evidence of this.



Productive use of the different study spaces



Think about what achieves an A\*

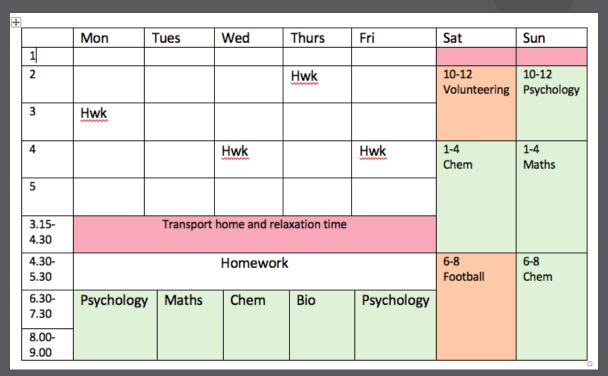
## Support from home



What is the plan for UCAS applications?

UCAS website

# How should they organize their time?



VTIA-S

Student Handbook/ iStudiez Pro

#### What is the UCAS Process

- Predicted Grades out now
- Students complete the UCAS form online and print a hard copy to submit to us. Date logged
- Process of writing the reference 3 weeks
- We show them the reference
- They wait to hear... offers, interviews...
- Select a firm and an insurance- June deadline
- Student finance applied for by May 31 2024
- Results day confirm their option





# Key elements to the UCAS Application Form

Personal Statement- one-toone support with their tutor Pathway students- have been fast-tracked.

A range of universities.

Reference- subject reference which are collated by the tutor and then checked by an approver, read by the student before being sent to UCAS.

## Key UCAS Submission Dates 2023/24

#### **School Deadlines**

Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science by **18 September** 

- Other competitive courses (Russell Group universities) by 9 October
- All other UCAS applications by 6 November

#### **UCAS** Deadlines

Early Applicants 18.00 16 October 2023

 All others 18:00 25 January 2024



UCAS

## Find out more on ucas.com

## Self Release

If your son/ daughter has an offer in the UCAS cycle

Achieves better grades than this offer

Can phone around as many universities that have places in adjustment.

If students decide they no longer want to go to their insurance choice.

Opt to self release on results day and opt to go through clearing.



# What if they do not achieve their offers?

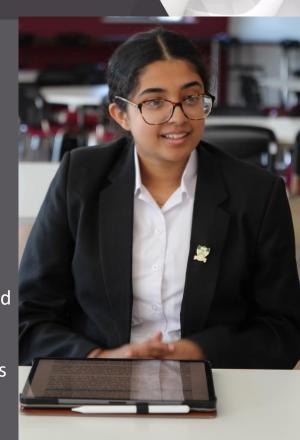
#### Clearing

doors?

Track delivers the news early on results day. Clearing number UCAS website and university websites display vacancies. (Superstar scheme KCL)

#### Applying the following year

Is it worth it? Resits and UCAS support - we only have limited resources. Making good use of their Gap Year. Better to apply this year for something - opens





## Thank you for attending