

#### Meet the team Year 11



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# Key Dates- Year 11

Year 11 Important Dates	Events
Thursday, 4 September 2025	First day of academic year 2025/2026
Thursday, 9 October 2025	Parents' Evening (online) (4 - 7:30pm)
Monday, 20 October to Friday, 31 October 2025	Half Term break
Monday, 3 to Friday, 14 November 2025	MFL Speaking Exams
Monday, 17 November to Friday, 28 November 2025	Pre-Public Examination (PPE)
Wednesday, 19 November 2025	Parent Voice Evening 1 at NKS (6-7pm)
Monday, 8 December 2025	*Monitoring 1 inc. PPE Grades and comments
Monday, 22 December to Monday, 5 January 2026	Christmas break
Thursday, 15 January 2026	A Level Options Evening
Thursday, 22 January 2026	Sixth Form Taster Day
Monday, 16 to Friday, 20 February 2026	Half Term break
Wednesday, 11 March 2026	Parent Voice Evening 2 at NKS (6-7pm)
Monday, 31 March 2026	*Monitoring 2
Wednesday, 1 April 2026	Options deadline
Thursday, 2 to 17 April 2026	Easter break
Monday, 20 April 2026	Exam season starts (MFL speaking from 20 April)
Monday, 25 to Friday, 29 May 2026	Half Term break
Wednesday, 24 June 2026	Senior Prizegiving (by invite only)
Thursday, 25 June 2026	Exam Contingency Day
Thursday, 20 August 2026	Results Day

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that the Monitoring dates above are teachers' deadlines, therefore you would expect the report



# 3. Monitoring 1 This will have your son's PPE grades and final projected grades which should inform revision going forward.

2. PPEs
Official set of year

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Official set of year 11 mocks and MFL speaking exams starting on the 14th November

## Year 11 Parents evening

A chance to talk with your child's subject teachers early in preparation for PPEs



## 4. A-Level Options evening and taster day

Students will have a chance to explore A-Level options at NKS through a taster day and options evening in January.

#### 6. Options Deadline

Students will submit their final subject choices if they are staying on to study at NKS post-16 in April.

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#### 5.Kent Choices for You Deadline

Students make their final choices for post-16 provision in March for NKS.

#### 7. Exam Season Starts

These will commence at the end of April with the MFL speaking exams and will go through to the end of June. Final timetables will be released next school year.

#### 10. Results Day

Thursday 20th August 2026 – start planning your next steps!

### 8. Senior Prize Giving (invitation only)

If your son has been awarded a prize for academic success or service to the school, you will be invited to attend the ceremony on the 24th June. Please note, this is not subject to GCSE outcomes and depends on the work and effort put in over the school year.

## My roadmap of actions to take me to the next level

#### 9. Taster Days

There will be further opportunities to experience your chosen subjects once the GCSE exams have finished. External students will also nbe invited to participate

# Introduction to KentChoices for Year 10's







### What we will do to support your son



- 1. Tutor time activities that will help them with revision and study skills
- 2. Subject specific intervention clubs these are run by specific departments on the lead up to exams. Please keep an eye out for subject communications regarding these or ask if you are not sure
- 3. One to one meetings with SLT to determine next steps and help students through the process of applying to post-16 places
- 4. Meetings with our careers advisor Mrs Vernon to help them make important next step decisions
- 5. Sixth form taster days students will get to spend time as a sixth former for the day and experience subjects first hand before they have to decide
- 6. Options evenings so parents can see what options are available at sixth form and ask questions regarding entry requirements and content

## What I would like to do as a head of year



- An end of year 11 prom
- Whole year group trip to Thorpe Park
- Class of 2025 hoodies
- Final celebration assembly with buffet

### What are Our Expectations of Students?



- Students take ownership of their own learning
- They develop resilience
- Willingness to study independently
- Desire to be part of the wider school community
- Aim high
- Enjoy their time in school
- Always try their best

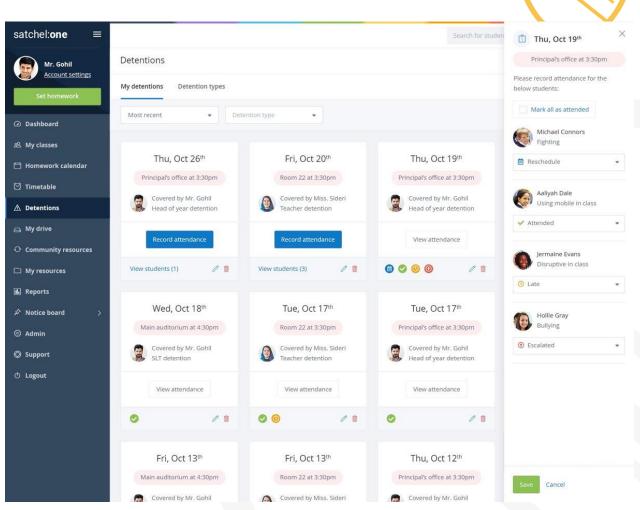
## What you can do to help?



- Remember that revision resources are usually made available directly to students via Satchel One, Teams and in class. Departments may also email you directly with revision ideas.
- Please spend time going over your son's monitoring reports from the last couple
  of years and look for patterns in behaviour or comments
- Keep a note of key dates and deadlines
- Please ask for help early if you or your son are struggling
- Set expectations from the beginning to make sure there is dedicated time and space for study and revision
- If your son has SEN needs, please make sure all access arrangements are in place, preferably before the PPEs so we can accommodate them in time

## Satchel One – I have no homework to do.





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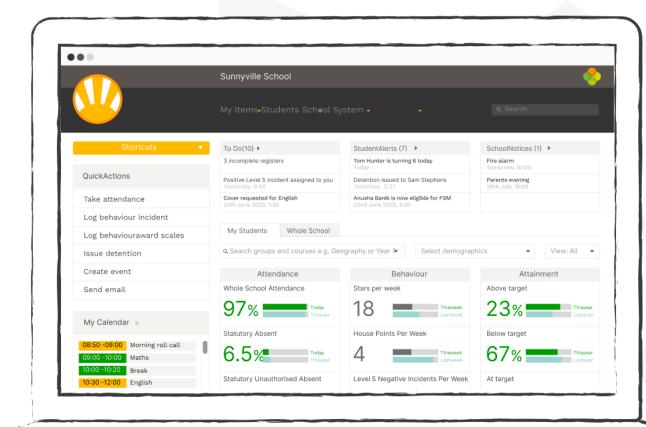


Arbor is the schools MIS

Main source of communications

 Achievement and behaviour points

WEB based and app



# Data and monitoring

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Attendance*	Lates	Unauthorised Absences	Authorised Absences	
91.7%	2	0	12	
Behaviour Points 1	Achievement Points 5			Report date 04 Jan 2023

Course	Current mark	Homework
Biology: Biology PPE result	5	2
Biology: KS4 Biology PPE2		
Biology: Biology	6	
Chemistry: Chemistry PPE Result	6	2
Chemistry: KS4 Chemistry PPE2		
Chemistry: Chemistry	7	
Computer Science: Computer Science PPE Result	5	2
Computer Science: KS4 Computer Science PPE2		
Computer Science: Computer Science	5+	
Physical Education / Sports		
English: KS4 English Lang PPE2		
English: English Language PPE Result	6	
English: English Language	6	
English: English Literature PPE Result	5	2
English: KS4 English PPE2		
English: English Literature		
Geography: KS4 Geography - PPE2		2
Geography: Geography PPE Result	7	
Geography: Geography	7+	

ATL		Homework
Always follows the School's behaviour for learning rules.	1	Homework is always completed on time.
Goes above and beyond in their approach to learning, particularly with respect to self – directed independent learning.		The quality of the work goes above and beyond the expectations set.  The work is presented with care and accuracy.
Follows the School's behaviour for learning rules and is fully prepared for lessons.	2	Homework is generally completed on time.
Good behaviour contributes to successful learning.		The quality of work is of a good standard
Routinely responds positively to the expectations of and guidance from staff.		The work is presented to the standard expected.
Students participate in self-directed independent learning activities.		
Working below the expected standard of the School's behaviour for learning rules.  Often unprepared for lessons.  This impacts negatively on own learning.  There is little or no participation in self- directed independent learning activities.	3	Working below the expected standard of homework.  Homework is often not completed on time.  Homework is not completed to the expected standard.

#### Curriculum

This can be found on the Curriculum pages of our website:





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THE KNATCHBULL BACCALAUREATE (KNATCHBACC)

#### The Knatchbull Baccalaureate (KnatchBacc)

Our students' experience in school is built on four key pillars that make up the 'The Knatchbull Baccalaureate' (Knatch. Bacc.):

- Academic The timetable, the subjects, the lessons, the assessments, the exam
  outcomes... Arigorous academic curriculum, taught in creative and demanding ways, developing
  students' metacognition, recognising and acknowledging that secure understanding of
  knowledge underpins higher order thinking, synthesis (within and across subjects) and analysis.
- Extra-Curricular Enrichment, Sport, Music, The Arts... Through a wide range of enrichment and
  extra-curricular activities which broaden students' perspectives, knowledge, skills and talents;
  reinforcing that high quality outcomes in any field come as a result of commitment, targeted
  practice and teamwork, consequentially developing resilience, adaptability and learning through

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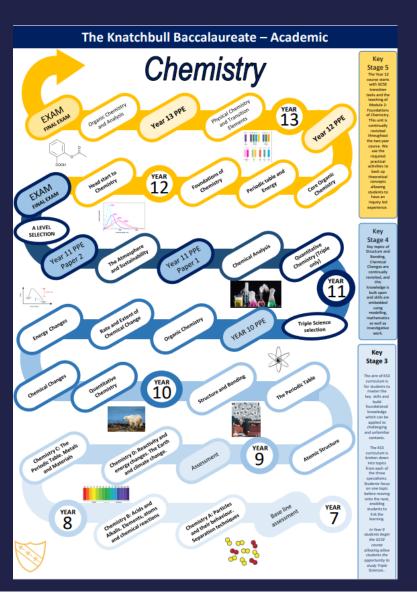
KS3 Curriculum

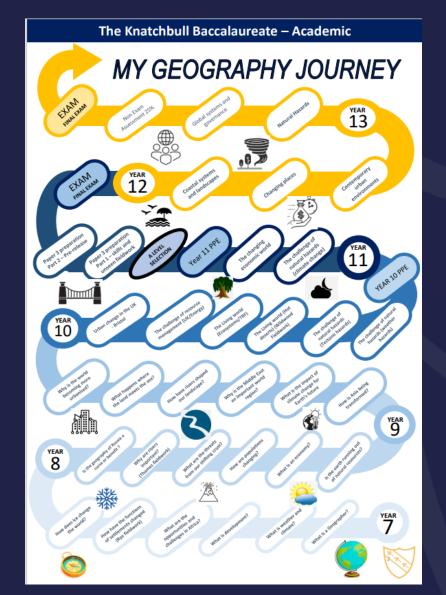
GCSE Courses and Options

Sixth Form Courses

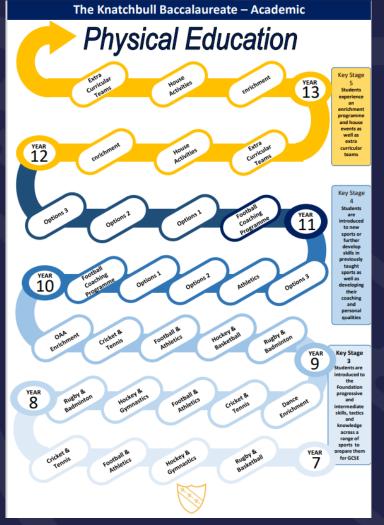
SEND and Pupil Premium Individual subject content can be found by going to the Knatchbull Baccalaureate page and clicking on the subject

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# What if my son is suffering from exam stress?



- Firstly, remember that this is completely normal. The GCSEs are a big deal and while we want your son to treat them seriously and make sure they are putting in their best effort, this should not be at the cost of their mental health
- Stress may not always look like overstudying and vocalising their worry. It can also look like avoidant behaviour, retreat away from friends and family, or displaying unhelpful behaviours. If you are concerned, please let us know
- The boys have been given a mental health pack to take away for the summer. It may
  be worth you looking at it together and coming up with a plan of action
- Revision should be chunked into manageable tasks so ensure that breaks are built into revision plans and schedules
- Try to keep food and sleep consistent
- Ask if you need help

# Here to help







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