

# GCSE Support Evening for Parents

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# GCSEs get you to the next stage

- GCSE Grades are a stepping stone
- They give you access to education at an appropriate level post 16
- For some, that might be an academic suite of A-level subjects
- For others it will be a course at college or an apprenticeship

# GCSE Grades provide choice

- How do we support your child in school
- How can you support your child at home
- What you need to know about our core curriculum
  - English
  - Maths
  - Science
  - Philosophy & Ethics

# Setting appropriate goals



Goal Setting - Term



My Goal this term is to...



I will make this happen by...



Evidence of success will be...

I have achieved my goal this term?

YES / NO



# The Warriner Sixth Form



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## Academic Excellence

Extra-curricular

UCAS and beyond

Careers

Opportunities and trips

Volunteering

Community

Join us at The Warriner Sixth Form Open Evening on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2016

# Careers Information Advice and Guidance

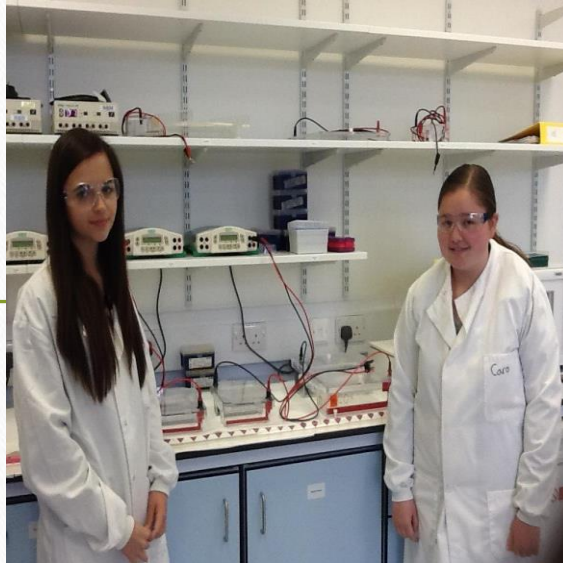
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Mr N.Smith Head of Careers

Mr B.Boult i/c of Work experience

Mrs J.Button Careers Resources

# Year 10...*a focus on employment skills*



...use of Fast Tomato careers software....Careers module of activities delivered during tutor time Term 3.... 1:1 Careers guidance interviews (if required)

....Work experience (June 2016) ... Collapsed timetable day March 2016 (CV construction, letters of application and interview skills)

.....Rotary Club Mock interviews (July 2016)

# FastTomato

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## Online Careers Programme for Students

Open up a world of career opportunities

### Supporting Careers Education & Guidance

Fast Tomato is one of the most popular online careers programmes for teenagers and has helped millions of students explore the many different career opportunities open to them. It's used by hundreds of schools nationwide and is accurate, relevant and easy to use.

[Find out more >](#)

### What's New?

We are proud to announce that Fast Tomato (part of the Morrisby Organisation) has been assessed to meet all elements of the matrix Standard. This is the unique quality framework for the effective delivery of information, advice and guidance on careers, learning and work.

### Webinars

We are now hosting introductory webinars to demonstrate the features of Fast Tomato

[Find out more >](#)

### Register with a Code

### Register without a Code

If you don't have a login or registration code:

### Have a Login?



# Year 11....a focus on a Post-16 goal in order to motivate



inspire...encourage (outside speakers), provide guidance

Careers Fair (January 21<sup>st</sup> 2016)

Sixth Form...apprenticeship...college

**Keith Smith**

Head of Year 11

# Revision

- Departments are being actively encouraged to identify specific students and deliver specific skills in revisions sessions
- Revision sessions happen most days after school until 5pm. Coursework catch up sessions also run at this time

# Coursework matters

- Know the balance of coursework and exam components
- Support your child in prioritising work which is due in tomorrow against longer term deadlines for bigger pieces of work due in next week

# Study Skills

- We work with Elevate Education to provide advice on study skills for students
- Follow them on Twitter @ukelevate
- They have a parent support site:  
<http://uk.elevateeducation.com/parents/home>

# The 5 most universal skills

- 1. Self Efficacy – The belief in your ability to reach your goals!
- 2. Setting goals!
- 3. Note taking – Use revision guides, class notes and HWK to create revision notes
- 4. Independent Learning – The most successful students are outcome oriented, not process oriented
- 5. Practice Papers – top students do more papers and follow up the gaps they reveal

# Supporting your child with study

- Separate study from life
- Work at a desk
- Tidy the desk
- Filter distractions
- They can't multitask, so support them in not trying!
- Take regular breaks

# Revision Guide flyers

- Deadline for orders is Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October
- ParentPay is the preferred method of paying

We will open up a second window after Year 11 Parents Evening in January, and a third (for Year 10) in June



# The main stresses...

- I'm out of control because...
  - I'm overwhelmed by workload
  - I don't have the skills to do well
  - I'm going to fail, and if I do my life will be over

# Supporting your child with stress

- Let them rant sometimes!
- Don't book holidays or family events in Easter
- Be aware of their key assessment dates and deadlines
- Speak to their tutor if you are concerned
- The main solution to stress is to actually do some work
- The main cause of stress is not having realised that's the case some months ago

“You can do anything you set your mind to”

Benjamin Franklin

# Feedback and questions

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