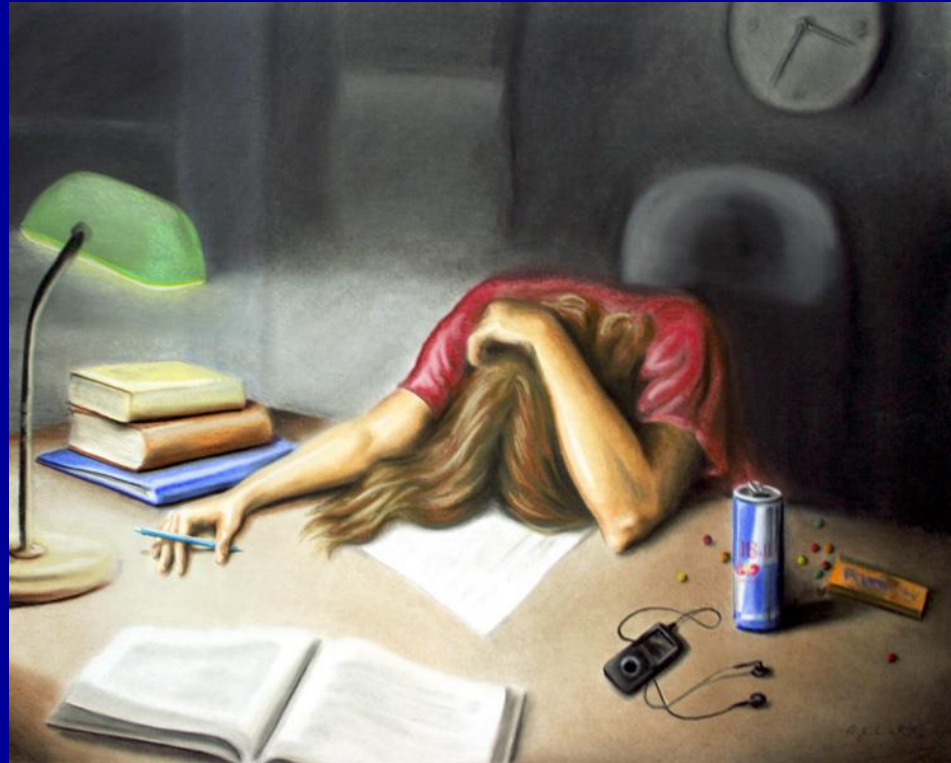






The De Montfort School Sixth Form



Year 13

Aims of this talk...

To inform you of some key facts about Year 13, so we can better work in partnership to support our young people.



Life after Sixth Form

- **University** – applications via UCAS
- **Apprenticeships** – applications online
- **Employment**
- **Gap year**

Best advice can be to apply for two or more of these i.e. Plan A, Plan B...

University

- Apply electronically through UCAS website
- Apply to maximum of 5 institutions
- Deadline 15 January BUT
- Sent off before end of this term



University

- Check their **entry requirements** – either grades or points
- Visit as many of the universities as possible – check their websites for open days
- Costs £24 payable to UCAS when application is sent

University

A Levels

| Grade | Tariff points |
|-------|---------------|
| A* | 56 |
| A | 48 |
| B | 40 |
| C | 32 |
| D | 24 |
| E | 16 |

University

BTEC

| Grade | Tariff points |
|--------------|----------------------|
| D* | 56 |
| D | 48 |
| M | 32 |
| P | 16 |

University

- Choose a realistic range of entry requirements
- Universities will either reject a candidate or make them an offer – grades or points
- When all 5 universities have replied, decline 3 and keep favourite 2

University

- ‘Conditional Firm’ and ‘Conditional Insurance’
- If conditions of Conditional Firm offer are met in August, the university must honour their offer and accept the applicant
- If conditions not met, first choice university can choose to reject the applicant

University

- If conditions of Conditional Insurance offer are met in August, the university must honour their offer and accept the applicant
- If conditions not met, second choice university can choose to reject the applicant
- 'Clearing'

University

- Student Finance – apply online through www.gov.uk/student-finance
- Apply by 31 May 2020 – takes 6 weeks to process
- More information to follow in the New Year

Apprenticeships

- Search for vacancies...

www.worcsapprenticeships.org.uk



- Apply through...

www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch



GOV.UK

Find an apprenticeship

Apprenticeships

- Thorough research – know the company / business
- CV
- Prepare for interview
- Applications start in January

Employment

- Careers advisor – Mrs Anna Gwinnett
- Thorough research – does it offer training and opportunities for career progression
- CV

Question

What is the average A Level grade for any subject, across all schools and colleges in the country? (grades go from A*-E)

Answer

Grade D!

A* A B C **D** E U

A Levels and BTECs are very difficult!

A successful GCSE student, working averagely hard, would expect to get a grade D or BTEC Pass

What Works

- Private study – 60 minutes in a lesson = 60 minutes private study *minimum*
- Good time management – study, hobbies, sport, employment, friends
- Consistent effort
- Partnership – student, school and home



What Does Not Work

- “Bright but lazy”
- Excessive part-time job hours that compete for study time
- All play and no work – 2 hours each night on Facebook / Xbox etc!

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Warning signs

“I can work 20 hours a week at Tesco / MacDonald’s and keep on top of my studies”

“I can go clubbing on a week day until 1am, get drunk and still turn up to sixth form on time and ready to learn the next day”

“I’ll leave revision until the Easter holidays”

The Year Ahead

- UCAS deadline Friday 20 December 2019
- Apprenticeship applications January 2020
- Mock exams 3-14 February
- May/June exams
- Results published Thursday 13 August

Results Day

- Thursday 13 August
- School open from 8am
- Can check on UCAS website if been accepted by Conditional Firm or Insurance choices from some point in early hours of Thursday
- Cannot find actual grades from UCAS website



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Thank you for coming!

Any



questions?