



Welcome to the Key Stage 4 Further Education Evening 16th October 2018





Mrs Radford
Assistant Head
(Head of Key Stage 5)





Aims for this evening

To inform students and parents of:

- **Options** regarding 'next steps' after Key Stage 4.
- The typical **entry criteria** for options at Key Stage 5.
- How these options **relate to Post – 18**: university, apprenticeships, employment.
- Meet the team responsible for **Key Stage 5**.





Further Education Key Stage 5

- Further education refers to Post –16 education.
- Several options are available:

1. Advanced GCE courses - A Levels

2. BTEC courses

3. Advanced Apprenticeships





Why A - Levels?

- Rigorous academic qualifications
- An effective foundation for progression into Higher Education
- Broad foundation for skill sets required for a range of future careers
 - independent research
 - power of analysis
 - critical thinking
 - presentation of argument.



Traditional
Professional skills





Who is it suitable for?

- Successful A - Level candidates are;
 - Hardworking
 - Academically able
 - Independent learners
 - Exam confident
- However, Gordon's Sixth Form has a strong support system which enable students to realise their potential

Right students on
right courses





Gordon's Sixth Form Team

- Head of Key Stage 5: Mrs Radford
- Deputy Head of Key Stage 5:
 - Mrs Hughes (Curriculum)
 - Mr Walters (Pastoral)
- Oxbridge Tutor: Mrs Wright
- Medicine/Veterinary: Miss Ali
- SENDco: Miss Phillips
- Sixth Form Administrator: Mrs Hall
- Head of Careers: Miss Tarsey
- Careers Advisor: Mr Mark Anderson





Headline news on results

3-year averages:

- 90%+ A*-C
- **Over three-quarters** of Y13 A Levels graded A*-B
- **46%** of grades awarded at A* or A
- **More than half** Y13s applying to university secured elite Russell Group university places
- Results in the **top 1%** of all schools for student progress nationally.





Year 12 Minimum Entry criteria for 2019

Minimum five A* - C/9 - 4 GCSE grades including
Mathematics & English Language

plus

The **subject specific** grade criteria outlined in the Sixth
Form Options and Academic Guide
booklet.





Likely Option Blocks for 2019 entry

Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D	Option E
Maths	Maths	Maths	Physics	Physics
Further Maths	Further Maths	Chemistry	Biology	Geography
Chemistry	Biology	Geography	Economics	Psychology
Economics	Eng. Lit	Technology	History	Computer Science
Eng. Lit	Media Studies	Psychology	Eng. Lang	History
PE	French	Business	Business	Media Studies
Art	Photography	German	Music	Drama
		Spanish		
BTEC SPORT		BTEC IT BTEC SPORT	BTEC BUS	BTEC IT

Students typically choose 4 AS subjects; one from a different option block.

To facilitate subject choice, a student may start on 5 subjects through September or 'experiment' with a subject during September.



More accessible curriculum

- Subject to demand, in 2018 the School is piloting two vocational options.
- These are each worth two Advanced Levels
 - **BTEC Sport**
 - **BTEC Information Technology**
 - **For 2019: Single BTEC in Business**





Oxbridge

Mr Reeve

Deputy Head (Curriculum)





What are they looking for?

- Independence
- Intellectual curiosity
- Studiousness
- Love of subject
- Determination and willingness to work hard & under pressure
- A demonstrable scholarly instinct
- Flexibility of thought





Profile of a typical Oxbridge Applicant

- Mainly 8/9 grades at GCSE
- On target for AAAA at AS (average 90% UMS in all modules) and A/A*s at A Level
- Enthusiasm and motivation to study chosen subject
- An appetite for hard work and a *love of learning*





The support we offer

- Specialised Oxbridge tutor
- HE day: guidance on *personal* statement; UKCAT & BMAT support
- September: 1:1 session on statement & support with UCAS form
- Reference using guidance from Oxbridge tutors
- Support within departments on further reading and test preparation
- November/December: interview practice





Medicine

- A dedicated teacher – Ms Ali
- Preparation with university applications
- Interview practice
- MMI interview practice
- Ethics course in period 7
- Support with BMAT and UKCAT





Alternatives to A Levels

BTEC courses





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Keri McSweeney Schools Liaison Officer




Ofsted
Outstanding
2011|2012





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Apprenticeships

- 20+ A Levels
- 60+ Vocational Courses
- Mix and Match Courses
- Professional Courses





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 **Apprenticeships**

Purpose-built for teaching Construction:

- Bricklaying
- Carpentry
- Electrical Installation
- Plumbing





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 Apprenticeships

- Degrees from the University of Surrey
- Taught on-site in Farnborough
- Brand new facilities
- Open to all – from college to mature students





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 **Apprenticeships**

- Choice of 40+ courses
- Exciting employers – from McLaren to Philips
- Excellent reputation for success





Global Market Data

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AMERICAS

Data as of 15 Feb 2017. All quotes delayed at least 15 minutes.

Symb	Index	Time	Last	Chg	Chg %
.DJIA	Dow Jones Industrial Average	14 Feb 2017	20,504.41	+82.26	+0.40%
.SPX	S&P 500	14 Feb 2017	2,337.53	+9.00	+0.39%
.XNXX	Nasdaq Composite Index	14 Feb 2017	5,782.57	+21.12	+0.37%
.TRXXFLDUSP	Thomson Reuters Equity US Index	14 Feb 2017	205.12	+0.12	+0.06%

All Americas Indices

EUROPE

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.FTSE	FTSE 100 Index	12:00pm	6,450.00	+10.00	+0.16%
.GDAXI	DAX Index	12:44pm	11,840.00	+10.00	+0.08%
.FCHI	CAC 40 Index	12:44pm	4,400.00	+10.00	+0.23%
.TRXXFLEUPU	Thomson Reuters Equity Europe Index	12:42pm	12.40	+0.01	+0.08%

All European Indices

ASIA PACIFIC

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.N225	Nikkei Stock Average 225	6:15am GMT	19,437.36	+100.00	+0.51%
.HSI	Hang Seng Index	8:00am GMT	23,964.87	+39.00	+0.16%



**UP TO TWO
A LEVELS**



**ONE PRACTICAL
BTEC COURSE**



Some of our current students study:

A Level Biology + BTEC Sport Science

A Level Media and Business + BTEC Photography

A Level Maths and English + BTEC Fashion

and more...

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What will your College day look like?

- Varied timetable depending on course
- Wednesdays tutorials off timetable from 2pm



College life

- **Wednesday enrichment**
- **Fundraising activities**





Entry Requirements

- **Vary for Each course but largely 5 GCSEs Grades 4 - 9**



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Apprenticeships





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—
FINISH AS A UCF GRADUATE!

Not sure about studying a degree?

Every student with us has access to:

- Progression into fantastic apprenticeships with great employers
- Careers advice for going straight into work after college
- Work placements, employer visits and our online Jobs Board





OPEN EVENTS

- Come and visit us on our next open event
- Make sure you visit as many colleges in the local area as you can!

Thank you for listening. What next?

Visit www.farnborough.me to:

- Show someone these slides
- Apply for a course – places are limited so don't wait too long!
- Find more about our Mix and Match courses and degrees
- See when our Open Event and Application Sessions are





APPRENTICESHIPS

What you need to know
Mark Anderson





Apprenticeships: The Context

- Government target - 3 million apprenticeships starting in England between 2015 and 2020
- Apprenticeship Levy introduced – April 2017
- Public Sector target - at least 2.3 per cent of the workforce in public sector bodies in England will have to be apprentices by 2020





The Times They Are a-Changin'

- “Students will be able to start degree-level **nurse** apprenticeships from September 2017” *Nursing Times, 10 Nov 16*
- “**Police** 'apprenticeships' introduced to new constables serving in Oxfordshire during the spring of 2018” *Oxford Times, 25 May 2017*
- “Ministerial approval has been given for a degree apprenticeship standard to be developed for **physiotherapy**.” *Chartered Society of Physiotherapy, 26 Jan 2017*
- “The Department for Education has confirmed a **teaching** apprenticeship will be available to schools within the next two years.” *schoolsweek.co.uk, 23 Jan 2017*





New Apprenticeships in Development

- Nursing
- High speed rail and infrastructure technician
- Storyboard Artist
- Social worker
- Police community support officer
- Operational firefighter
- Teacher
- Architect
- Physiotherapist
- Puppet Maker
- Cabin Crew
- Commercial Airline Pilot
- Paramedic





The Times They Are a-Changin'

"Penguin Random House Publishers Has Just Announced It's Scrapping Degree Requirements For Its Jobs"



"Ernst & Young Removes Degree Classification From Entry Criteria As There's 'No Evidence' University Equals Success"

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Apprenticeships
National Apprenticeship Week
14 - 18 March 2016

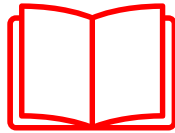
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What Are Apprenticeships?



WORK + LEARN = APPRENTICESHIPS

- ▶ A REAL JOB WITH A REAL EMPLOYER
- ▶ PAID A SALARY
- ▶ QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE
- ▶ CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT, HOLIDAY, SICK
- ▶ SUPPORT FROM A TRAINING PROVIDER
- ▶ 1 - 4 YEARS





Why Gordon's Students Choose To Do Apprenticeships

Education
AND
Employers
RESEARCH

Even if it's low pay,
it's still better than
debt

I can't see myself
studying for another
3 years

I want to get out
into the real world"

Why go to uni when I
can become
an engineer without
getting in debt





Levels of Apprenticeship

LEVELS

TRAINEESHIPS

**INTERMEDIATE
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 2

**ADVANCED
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 3

**HIGHER/DEGREE
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 4,5,6 & 7

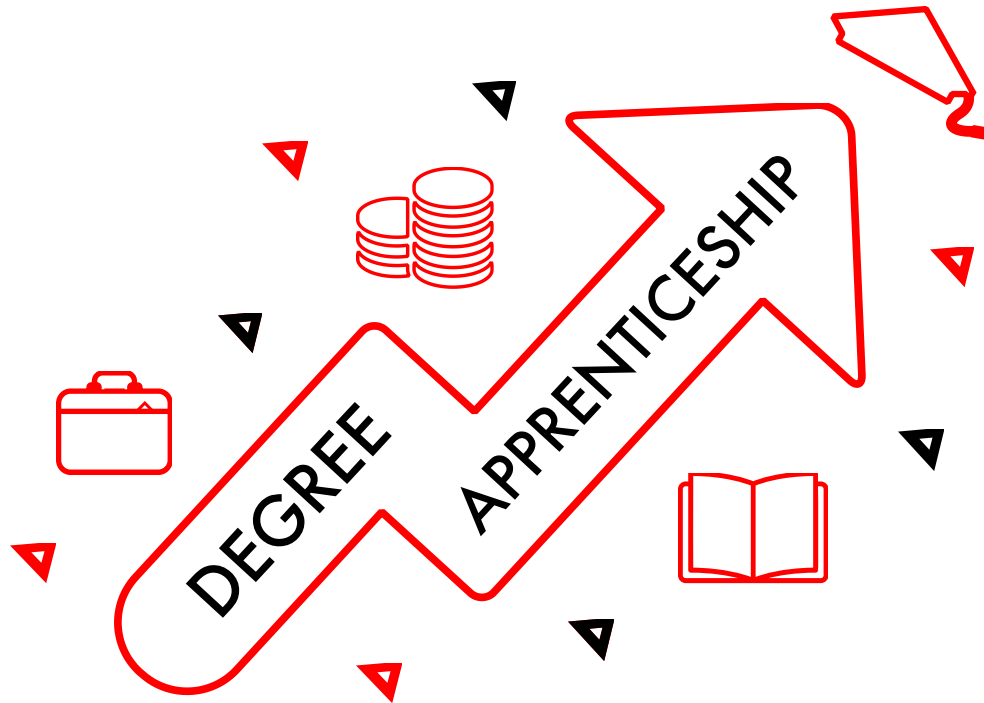
SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & COMPETENCIES





Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

Now its possible to get a degree without going to uni...





You get paid and you have a career

- ★ National Minimum Wage £3.50 per hour
- ★ Average wage £170 per week
- ★ Wage depends on the employer – many pay more than Minimum Wage

APPRENTICESHIPS
**GET YOUR
CAREER
GOING**

90%



What is the current highest salary for a higher/degree apprenticeship vacancy within a 15 radius miles of Gordon's School

£22 000

Finance Apprentice, FCA Automotive Services, Slough
3 A levels (or equivalent) grade C and above





Current Higher Apprenticeship Vacancies

Employer

1. Invotra
2. Fujitsu
3. Fujitsu
4. IAG Cargo
5. IAG Cargo
6. Vodafone
7. HP
8. BDO
9. Uni of Law
10. FCA Automotive

Role

- Project Manager (£7 800)
- Software Development Technician (£17 500)
- Data Analyst (£17 500)
- Data Analyst (£15 000 - 16 000)
- Innovation Apprentice (£15 000 - 16 000)
- Network Engineer (£21 500)
- HR Apprentice (£14 000)
- AAT Audit Apprenticeship (competitive salary)
- IT Systems Tester (£15 925)
- Finance Apprentice (£22 000)





Degree Apprenticeships

Employer

1. Cogent Ssc
2. Capgemini
3. Lonza Biologics
4. Lambert Smith Hampton

Role

- Lab Scientists x 2 (£16 000)
- Digital/Tech Solns (£17 000)
- Lab Scientist (£14 000)
- Apprentice Surveyor (£15 000)





The Selection Process

Example





What are employers looking for?

Example

- Flexibility and adaptability.
- Tact and diplomacy.
- The ability to work under pressure and to tight deadlines.
- The ability to be proactive and work on your own initiative.
- Honesty and reliability.
- Attention to detail.
- Discretion and an understanding of confidentiality issues.
- The ability to remain calm under pressure and to think quickly in a crisis.
- The type of person who can adapt quickly to change.





Sector	Applications per graduate vacancy	Applications per apprenticeship vacancy
FMCG	204	51
Investment bank or fund managers	86	n/a
Energy, water or utilities	86	23
Banking or financial services	79	4
Digital	67	7
Consulting or business services	53	36
Retail	49	9
Transport or logistics	46	50
Engineering or industrial	38	16
IT & Telecommunications	36	16
Built Environment	35	29
Accountancy or professional services	29	15
Chemical or pharmaceuticals	29	n/a
Law firm	22	40
Public sector	12	n/a





Amy Kirkby



- ★ Left Sixth form in 2015
- ★ L5 Higher Apprenticeship
- ★ Leads to FdSc in Applied Bioscience
- ★ 6 months to go!
- ★ Looking for a lab role next to boost qualification to L6





Katrina Gray

FUITSU

- ★ Left Sixth form in 2014
- ★ Completed a 2 year Higher Apprenticeship in Media and IT
- ★ No college attendance, but online portfolio work once a week.
- ★ Now doing Creative Design for a catering company





James Kennett



Rolls-Royce®

- ★ Left Sixth form in 2017
- ★ Completed 1 year placement in Derby
- ★ Various projects e.g. supply chain assurance and quality control
- ★ Recently started Rolls Royce Degree Apprenticeship leading to MEng





Isobel French



Turner & Townsend



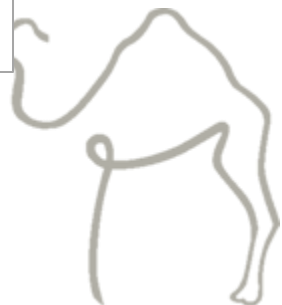
- ★ Left Sixth form in 2017
- ★ Higher Apprenticeship in Project Management
- ★ Currently working on large 'top secret' project in London!
- ★ Leading to Foundation Degree





Where to look for vacancies...

- <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch>
- <https://careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs>





Mrs Radford

To finish ...





Why Gordon's



6 Reasons:

1. **Rigorous** A Levels and academic results that have real currency later in life
2. Great **teaching** and small class sizes (10-16)
3. House-based **pastoral** excellence
4. Study rooms
5. **Ofsted** outstanding
6. Abundant co-curricular **opportunities** that give students edges.



