

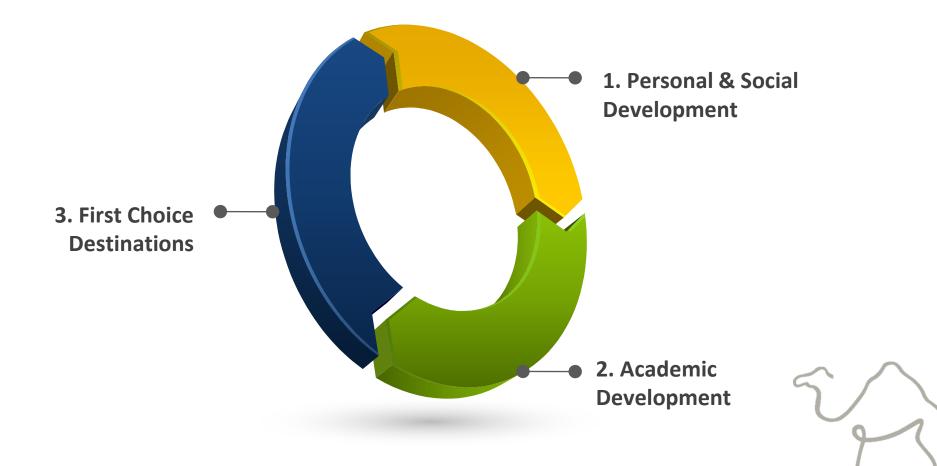
### Welcome to the Gordon's Sixth Form Open Evening 2019

"The sixth form is outstanding. Students make excellent progress and achieve high academic standards. They take advantage of a wide range of opportunities to develop leadership skills and the vast majority go on to secure places in higher education." **OFSTED** 





#### **Sixth Form Aims**





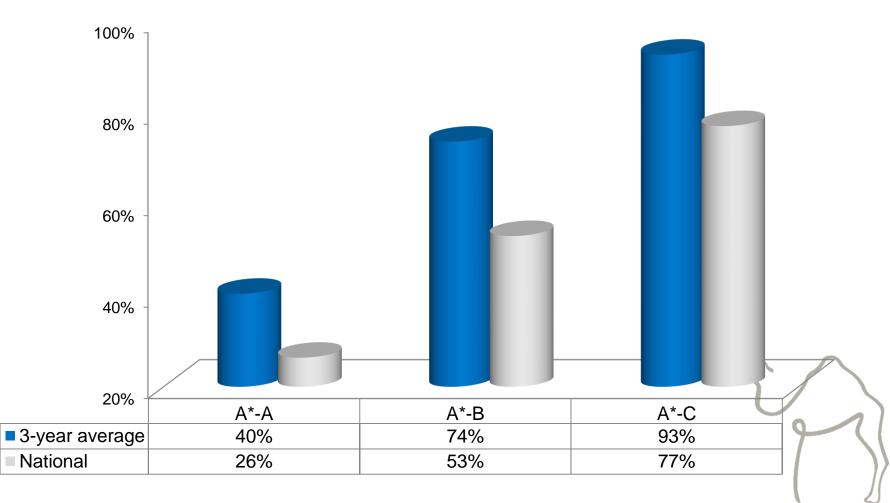
#### **Headline Results**

#### The very best possible examination results





#### **Academic Attainment**





#### Academic Attainment cont...

- Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
- A\*-B pass rate



2018-19





## **Academic Progress**

Value-added

2019 DfE Performance Tables (state & independent)

- 1. Top 100 schools in England (out of 4455)
- 2. Top 10 schools in Surrey (out of all 108)
- 3. Top 20 boarding schools in England
- 4. Best state boarding school in England





#### **Destinations Data**



**Russell Group** 



"Students at Gordon's School are more likely to get into a top university than any other state school in Surrey" *DfE 2019* 



## Finally...academic care

"We are completely thrilled with everything about Gordon's, the way the teachers took such an active interest in ensuring he did as well as he could...

... I am 100% certain that he would not have achieved the grades he did without your help and for that I am truly grateful."

Parent of Y13, 2019



# **The Curriculum** Mr Reeve Deputy Head (Curriculum)





### Curriculum

- Flexibility is key
- 3+1 Model
- Most students taking 3 A Levels
- However, 4 are possible
- Exams at the end of Year 13



## Curriculum

- +1 Option suite of subjects taken in Year 12
- For those taking 3 A Levels
  - Extended Project Qualification
  - AS Mathematics
  - AS Sociology
  - An additional MFL
  - Sports Leaders assessment
  - Pre-U Global Perspectives
  - Politics (not currently in the Options Booklet)



#### **PSHE and Liberal Arts**

- A well-rounded PSHE programme a thorough preparation for life beyond the school
- Liberal Arts a thematic cross-curricular lesson covering many topic global issues





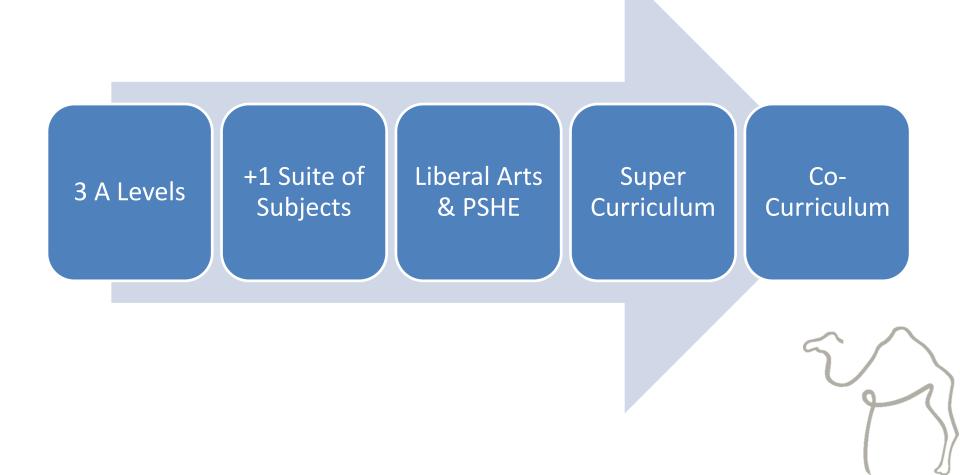
## Super Curriculum

- Extending beyond the classroom
- National Competitions
- Online learning Future Learn
- Discussion Groups
- Internal competitions
- Peer teaching





#### Curriculum





#### A more accessible curriculum

- 1. Double BTEC worth two A Levels:
  - BTEC Sport
- 2. Single BTEC worth one A Level:
  - BTEC Business





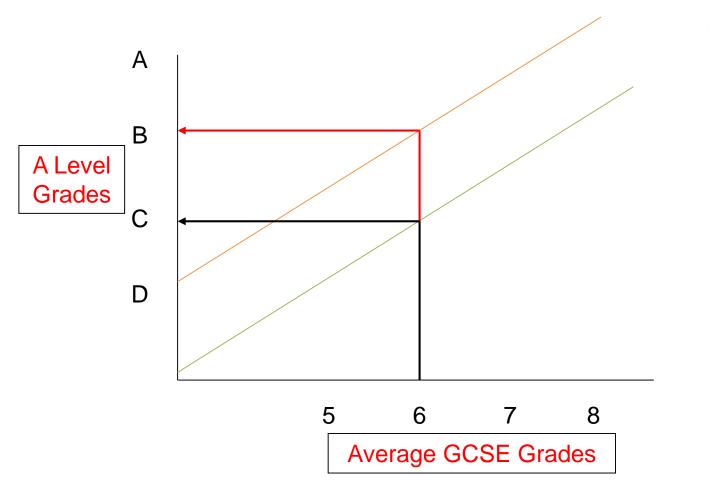
# A Level Target Grades 'A Grade Higher'





#### A Grade Higher

71% of students obtained their Target Grades in 2019





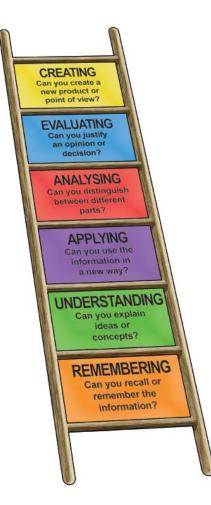


## **6** Reasons for success

- Encouraging the students to be aspirational and develop a passion for learning e.g. Discussion Groups in subjects
- 2. Support with lunchtime and after school clinics
- 3. A\* Clinics to challenge the most able
- 4. Pastoral support and intervention from Houses and a dedicated tutor team
- 5. Library prep available until 9pm
- 6. Regular communication home and next steps advice



### **A Thinking School**







## **Entry Requirements**

Minimum of five 9-5 GCSE grades including at least a grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics & English for a pure A Level pathway

The subject specific grade criteria outlined on page 44 of the Gordon's Sixth Form option booklet





## **Pastoral Support**

## Mr R Pavis Deputy Head (Pastoral)





## **The School Day**

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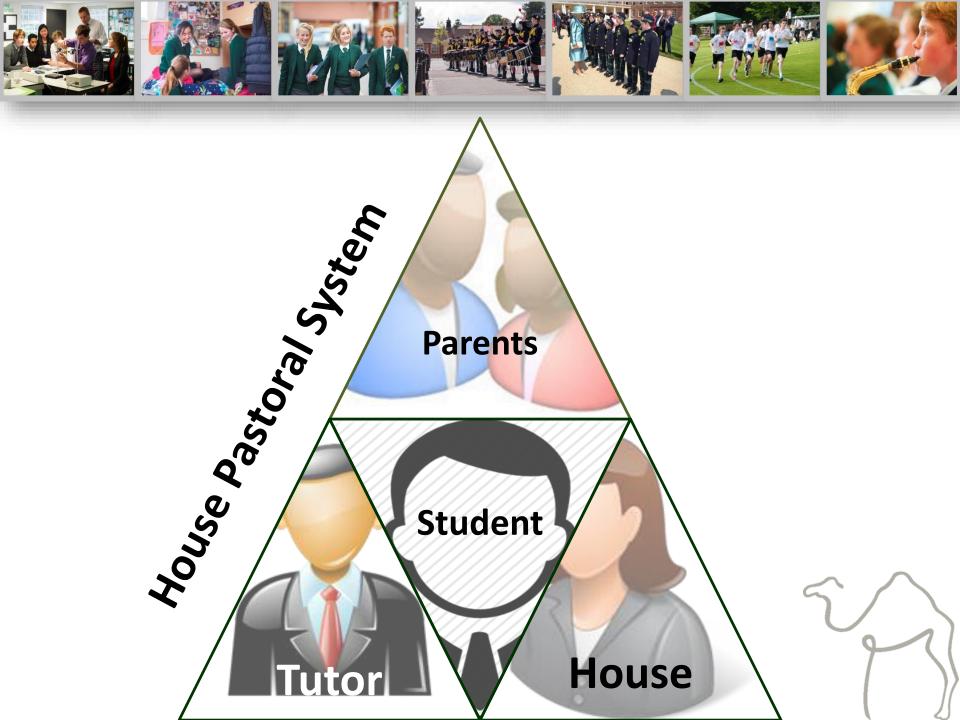
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CHAPEL/ASSEMBLY/TUTOR	8.20am - 8.40am
PERIOD 1	8.40am - 9.35am
PERIOD 2	9.35am - 10.30am
BREAK	10.30am - 10.50am
PERIOD 3	10.50am - 11.45am
PERIOD 4	11.45am - 12.40pm
LUNCH	12.40pm - 1.45pm
PERIOD 5	1.45pm - 2.40pm
PERIOD 6	2.40pm - 3.35pm
PERIOD 7	3.55pm - 4.55pm
TEA	5.00pm



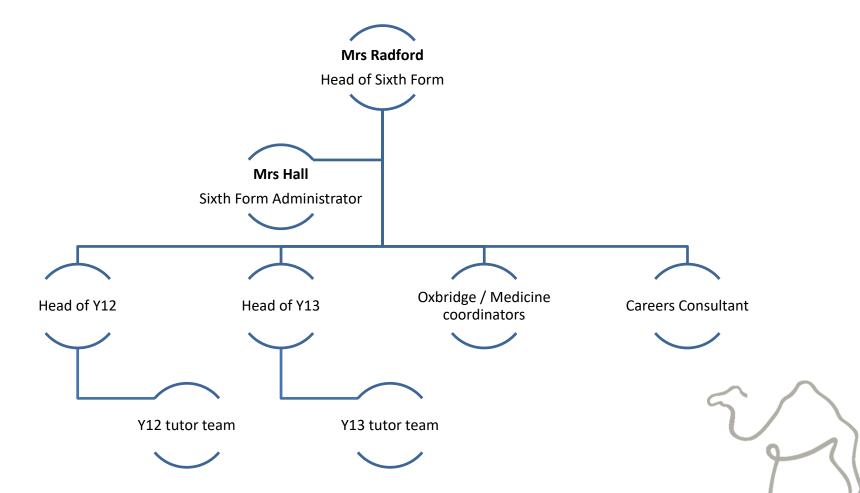
#### **Pastoral Structure**







#### **Sixth Form Team**





# Some differentiators...

*"Students respond very well to the culture of this school and contribute to it enthusiastically." OFSTED* 







## What matters to employers?

World Challenge survey of over 500 of Britain's best known employers cited the following 4 areas which make candidates stand out from the crowd...

#### "Volunteering & Giving Back"

"Relevant work experience"

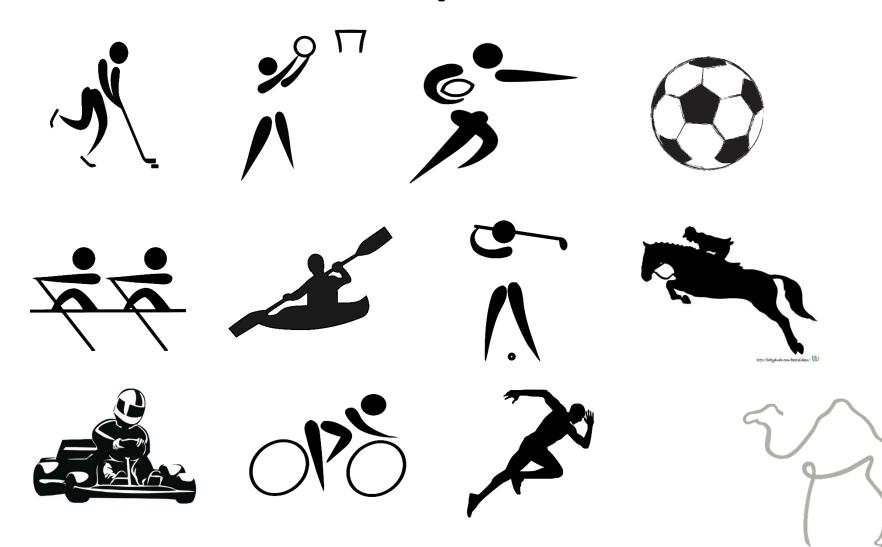
"Duke of Edinburgh Award"

"Co-curricular activities"





## **Team Sports**





#### Also available at Gordon's





#### Healthy Mind, Healthy Body



Mental health & Well-being

- **1. Get Active**
- 2. Learn & Achieve
- 3. Give
- 4. Appreciate
- 5. Connect





### **IT - BYOD**





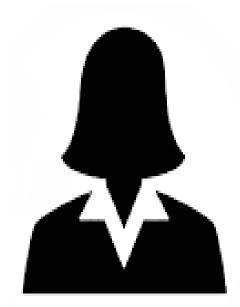
## **Preparation for after Gordon's**

- HE launch evening and follow-up HE Day with students
- Apprenticeships pathways and advice
- "Study Abroad" roadshow: October
- Finance talk for parents
- Dedicated UCAS, Medicine & Oxbridge tutor support
- Y12 Work Experience placement service
- Specialised tools: 'Unifrog' subscription
- University & industry speakers
- Personal statement writing day





## **Student Experiences**

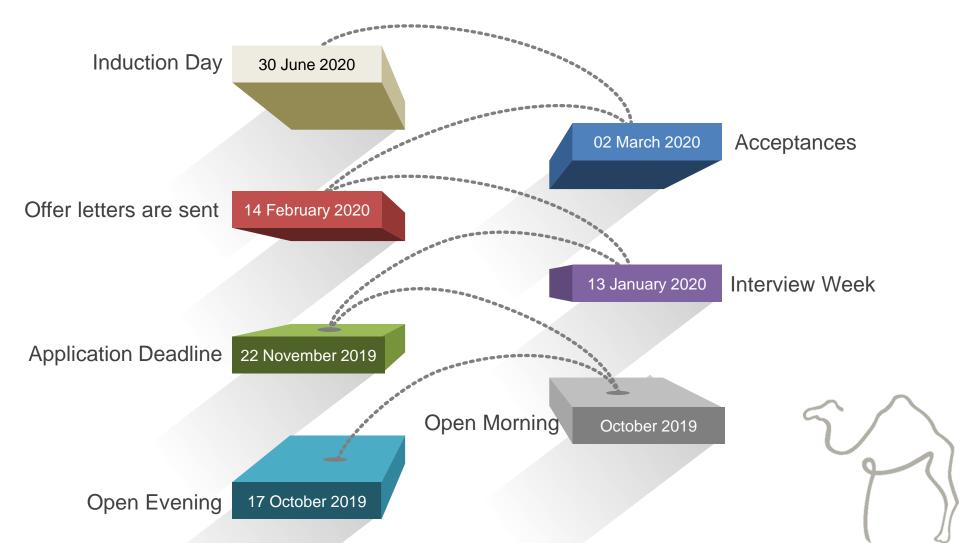








#### **Admissions Process**





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plus

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#### GORDON'S SCHOOL









#### **Final Word**

• Mr Moss...







## **Challenge & Support**

Happy students learn best and achieve more...



of all Year 13 Leavers in 2019 said they had a positive Sixth Form experience at Gordon's.



of Sixth Form students felt well supported since joining in September this year.



## Why Gordon's

6 Reasons:

- 1. Rigorous A Levels and academic results that have real currency later in life
- 2. Great teaching and small average class sizes
- 3. Structure & House-based pastoral care
- 4. Study rooms
- 5. Ofsted outstanding (curriculum & boarding)
- 6. Abundant co-curricular opportunities that give students edges and builds character.





## Thank You

#### For your interest in Gordon's Sixth Form

