

Supporting your child through their GCSE years



At A level:

22 students achieved an A or A* grade at A level
51 students achieved A*-B in one or more A level subject

At GCSE level:

119 Grade 9s awarded
324 Grade 9-8 awarded
87% Grade 9-4 in Maths
90% Grade 9-4 in English

We are incredibly proud of team HCCS.

Achieving successful outcomes and progressing to our Sixth Form College



RESILIENCE



STRENGTH



CONFIDENCE



MOTIVATE



PROTECTING SELF



EFFORT

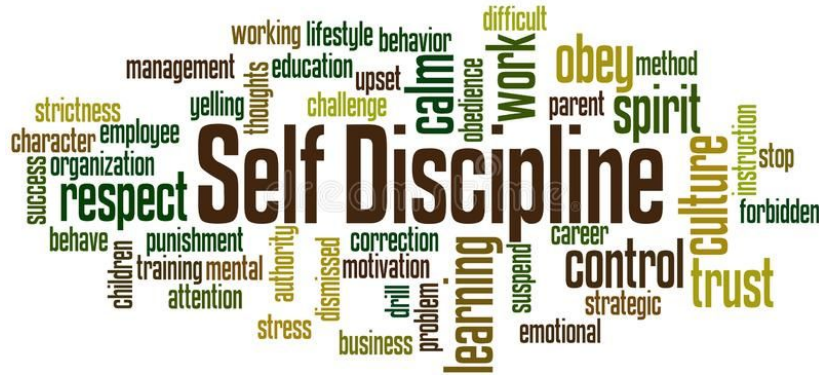


CHANGE



AGILITY

**NO PRESSURE.
NO DIAMONDS.
NO STRUGGLE.
NO STRENGTH.**





Three connected parts of one school

Whole School Developments

Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School and Sixth Form College

Primary school

Lower School

Upper School

Sixth Form College

HCCS Lower school - Years 7 and 8

- Transition
- Challenge and support
- Culture of engagement
- Building potential
- Building relationships
- Securing the foundations of learning

HCCS Upper school - Years 9 to 11

- Increased specialisation
- Attainment and progress focus
- Support and intervention
- Maximising potential
- Advice and guidance - next steps

HCCS College - Years 12 and 13

- Level 3 qualifications
- High level of specialisation
- Independent, taught and guided study
- High level of autonomy
- Advice and guidance - next steps





Upper School

Supporting your child to reach their potential

Upper School Hub Years 9, 10 & 11

Director of Upper school	Laura Warren
Upper School Learning Managers	Michael Forsyth Brian Gallagher
Upper School Welfare Managers	Annie Bentley Caroline Morgan Holly Pridham

Safeguarding and Child Protection Lead: Emily Bagshaw

11AH	Helen Ralston
11AC	Laura Blackburn
11CC	Gareth Edwards
11CH	Paddy Hogg
11MH	Sally Riley
11MC	Heather Goulding/Kate Ford
11TH	Ellen Anderson
11TC	Matt Turrell



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A positive home-school relationship

Talk to us

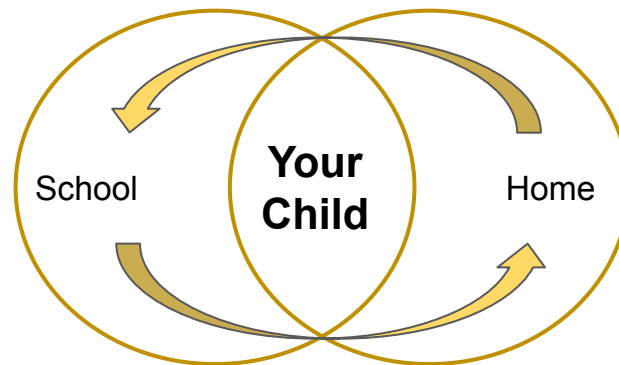
Trust us

Support us

Work with us

Talking to your child about exams - some 'Do's

- Use a positive language when you talk to your child
- Listen more than advise
- Ask them what they need
- Let them talk about their day
- Read your child's feedback regularly and frequently
- Celebrate small steps
- Give guided support



Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students and engaged, enthusiastic families



Upper School

Our actions, attitude and behaviors

We learn together

We belong to this community

We are proud of ourselves and each other


We have consistently high expectations






Upper School

Our actions, attitude and behaviors

 SCORE	Behaviour Choice	Outcome
1	Exceptional - You actively engage in learning, demonstrating excellent behaviour and attitudes. You challenge yourself and consistently demonstrate exceptional progress. You support others in their learning.	Success, Progress, School Prizes, Postcards Home.
2	Expected - You quickly follow instructions demonstrating politeness and respect to others. You are focussed on your work and you are making progress.	Success, Progress, Postcards Home.
3	Lost Learning - You are misusing learning time and you have to be reminded about how to behave in order to meet expectations. Your behaviour is having a negative impact on your progress.	Discussion with teacher. Catch up with work missed.
4	Disruption - You are disrupting the learning of others or you are demonstrating a lack of respect.	Discussion with Head of Faculty. Catch up time. Contact home.
5	Defiance - You are demonstrating serious defiance or disruption, or your behaviour is having a negative effect on the safety and wellbeing of yourself or others.	Discussion with hub or senior leader. Contact home.





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- Assessment is a key part of your child's learning
- Responding to feedback is a key driver of growth
- Feedback informs future revision needs
- Please check your child's exercise books and assessments for feedback
- Feedback is given every 8 lessons





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- Any revision is still revision
- Revision will not be 'mostly done in lessons'
- Essentially...the student has to work hard in their own time in addition to 'normal' school work
- Take ownership and engage
- The recommended time per day is 2 hours which can include homework





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Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School & Sixth Form College
'Preparing Learners for a Changing World'

Curriculum & Learning

Lower School
Key Stage 3, Years 7 & 8

Upper School
Key Stage 3, Year 9
Key Stage 4, Years 10 & 11

Learning Manager Team

Careers Learning Centre Learning @ Home Curriculum Policy



Parent
Resources
Coming Soon



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Revision links on tutor classroom



Triple
Science -
Biology



Triple
Science -
Chemistry



Triple
Science -
Physics



Combined
Science -
Biology



Combined
Science -
Chemistry



Combined
Science -
Physics



Maths -
Foundation



English -
Language and
Literature



Media
Studies



Maths -
Higher



Computer
Science



Design and
Technology



Music



PE



Food Prep
and Nutrition



Spanish



France



German

Future resources being created to support revision at home



Click me for exam board site

Business Revision

Topics & Terms

- [Red, Amber, Green topics on the](#)
- [Theme 1 or](#)
- [Theme 2 topic list.](#)

Recall

- [Use my revision site to go over content in the 'Topics' tab \(STUDENT ACCESS ONLY\)](#)
- [Use Seneca Learning to recall specific assignments](#)
- [Use Quizlet to help recall topics](#)

Practice

- [Do practice questions from past papers](#)
- [Use Knowledge organisers to make your own revision notes under the 'organisers' tab](#)



Don't have a teacher to explain it? Use Bizconsesh on Youtube. He has playlists for Theme 1 and 2 topics. Click the button to the left to find his playlists.



GCSE Masterclasses



What they are

- ❑ Delivery of skill based sessions.
- ❑ An opportunity for your child to develop their exam technique.
- ❑ Effective, personalised and constructive revision.

What they aren't

- ❑ Delivery of new content.
- ❑ The same for everyone.
- ❑ Lacking in focus.



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Curriculum Intent

1: Future Pathways

Enable students to make informed and responsible choices for their potential future pathways including employment and education.

2: Spiritual Values

To nurture students' curiosity and develop their understanding of a range of religious, philosophical and ethical traditions and values, creating a stronger sense of empathy and acceptance of difference. We want students to use these experiences to enrich their own understanding of spirituality, as a way of helping them find deeper meaning in their lives.

3: Global Community

To develop students understanding of the scale and diverse cultures of the world we live in, from working within our Holmes Chapel School community to becoming a global citizen.

4: Relationship Sex Education

To ensure our students make positive and informed choices in their relationships and keep our students safe, physically, emotionally and legally.

5: Well Being

To promote the positive mental, emotional and physical wellbeing of our students; allowing students to explore and develop their best selves and through this developing their wellbeing
To support students with engagement in, implementation of and taking responsibility for their wellbeing

6: Life Skills

The life skills component of the MY curriculum will build skills around relationships and working in a team that pupils will have experienced across the subject curriculum. We provide a theoretical structure to their thinking around working in a group, friendships and the other kinds of team relationships that are an important part of becoming a successful and happy adult.

Retrieval Practice

Metacognition

BSL

Intervention



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Key dates:

Year 11 interims: 24th of November & 16th of March

Parents Evening: 19th of January & 23rd of March (online)

Year 11 trial exam weeks: w/c 17th of October and w/c 6th of February

Exams begin: mid-May (dates not yet published)

Christmas Concert: 1st December

School Production: 8th & 9th December

Year 11 Prom: early July

Winter and Spring Festivals





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Your first point of contact

👉 **Your Child's Group Tutor**
👉 General questions and queries

👉 **Upper School Welfare Manager**
👉 Welfare and pastoral issues
👉 **upperschool@hccs.info**

Bromcom

👉 If you haven't already, you need to login and register your account using the details that we have sent you.

'My child at school' App **mychildatschool@hccs.info**

👉 Allows you to keep in touch with timetable, attendance, positive and negative house points etc

School leadership contacts

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