

INFORMATION FOR NEW MAELOR SIXTH STUDENTS FROM AUGUST 2019

Results Day Thursday 22nd August: GCSE Results Day

For those who currently attend The Maelor School, GCSE results will be available in the Main School Hall on Thursday, 22nd August. Senior staff will be available in the school on this date from 9.00am to provide students with their examination results. In the event that your son/daughter is not able to collect his/her results personally, and requires the results slips to be posted, we ask that you provide Mrs Lawton, our Examinations Officer, with a stamped, addressed envelope prior to the end of term.

Sixth Form Enrolment Day Thursday 22nd August

Year 12 enrolment for ALL students will be carried out in the school Library on GCSE results day from 9.00am until 2pm when students will enrol for sixth form and confirm AS subjects they wish to study.

Students who did not attend The Maelor School must bring their GCSE results with them on this day as proof of their grades.

Thank you if you have already indicated difficulty in attending the enrolment. For any remaining parents and students who have a prior arranged summer vacation who will not be able to attend on Thursday 22nd August can you please e-mail Mrs Ellwood as soon as possible to let us know. Under these circumstances we would request that you email us with your results as soon as possible and confirm your subject choices. With regards to the blue booklet posted out with the Reading Lists, please bring this with you completed on 4th September.

Email address:

Penny.Ellwood@maelorschool.org.uk

Wednesday 4th September: Year 12 Welcome Briefing

The year group will commence the day with a briefing in the Library. Details about form groups will be provided followed by time with form tutors to distribute timetables for each individual student. Individual and Form Group photos of all students will be taken on the morning of the 4th September. All formal lessons will then begin at 1.30pm.

Equipment and preparations for the 4th September

Students can wear informal clothing, but these should be appropriate for an academic environment. All students should purchase an academic planner for 2019/20 selecting a format to suit individual needs. All students should come prepared with an A4 folder with dividers enabling the separation of work for each subject being studied – in some subjects students may be taught by more than one teacher and it is imperative that a good start to the organisation of work completed in school, homework and notes produced from additional reading is clearly labelled. The work set on the 'Reading Lists' should be completed and filed ready for the beginning of term. Basic equipment is required for each lesson and the requirements of specialised equipment will be discussed with students, should the need arise, in the first week of term.

KS5 Welcome Evening

As part of our induction process for our year 12 students and parents, we are providing a Parents' Information Evening at the start of the academic year. The evening will take place on **Wednesday 11th September, 2019** between 6pm-7pm. The evening will consist of sharing information about:

- The important transition between GCSE and AS study.
- AS level courses, outlining structures and demands of these courses and the support that is available.
- Pertinent year 12 diary dates

The evening will give parents a clear understanding of how we can best work together to ensure our students are aware of the expectations, approaches and commitment required to maximise successes in year 12.

Transport

All correspondence regarding transport was sent with the last letter you received from Maelor Sixth in May, 2019. If you have not already booked your place please contact our Transport Manager, Mr Heron on transport@maelorschool.org.uk.

Parent Pay

This biometric system incorporates the latest technology and eliminates the need for pupils to carry cash throughout the day. Money can be paid into the students account and any money spent on food & drink will be deducted on a daily basis. More information can be found in the blue booklet enclosed.

Hwb E-mail Account

Communications between some staff and students will be carried out via the schools Hwb network. We will endeavour to ensure that new students will be given their school Hwb address with the first 2 weeks.

Educational Maintenance Allowance - Wales

Education Maintenance Allowance, (EMA), Wales is an allowance for students living in Wales who also study in Wales. EMA is an income-assessed weekly allowance of £30 to help students with the cost of further education. It is paid directly into a student's bank account. It provides young people, who wish to continue in education after school leaving age, with an incentive to earn awards through good attendance and achieving agreed objectives.

Receipt of EMA will not affect any benefits which are currently paid to a household. For further details of eligibility and the application process please go to <https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/FE>.

Educational Maintenance Allowance – England

Education Maintenance Allowance, (EMA), England is an allowance for students living in England who study in Wales. The support that can be applied for maybe a discretionary 16-19 bursary or if a students is in one of a named specific vulnerable groups an application for a vulnerable bursary can be made. Local authorities in England can contacted to discuss eligibility and further details may be found following the link;

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide>