

Year 11 Newsletter

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Welcome

This will be the final Year 11 newsletter before the start of the examination period. As we approach this crucial time, it is vital that all students are fully committed to their preparation. We strongly encourage students to complete all home learning tasks to a high standard and to engage in regular, structured revision outside of lessons. Consistent effort over the coming weeks will make a significant difference to their confidence and performance in the exams.

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child stay focused and organised during this important stage of their education.

Mr Cawley

Mrs Bibby



Achievement
Leader

Head of Year



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Achievement

Tracking 2 data has now been shared with the students and yourselves, and this will be the final set of progress data before exams begin in May. These results provide an important opportunity to identify strengths and areas for further development, and should be used to help guide and prioritise revision over the coming weeks.

We encourage students to reflect carefully on this information and use it to inform a focused and effective revision plan. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the data, please do not hesitate to contact the Year Team, who will be happy to provide support and guidance.

Trips and Events

Key Dates for Year 11

Boost & Secure sessions run every **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday** until 3:30 pm.

Maths and English Conference Monday 20 April. Individual parents have been invited to support their child to achieve a grade 4/5 in Maths and English.

Saturday tuition has now restarted have been sent to students and parents who have signed up, and attendance is expected.

Saturday Maths – 30 May & 6 June
Saturday English – 9 May

Attendance Matters

Attendance and Punctuality: Key to Success

As your child embarks on their GCSE exams, we want to emphasise the critical importance of attending every scheduled exam. Missing even a single exam can significantly impact their final grades and future opportunities.

Equally important is punctuality. Arriving at school by 8:30 a.m. each day allows students to settle in, manage any last-minute preparations, and approach each exam with a calm and focused mindset. Being on time ensures they are not rushed and can perform to the best of their abilities.

How Lateness Adds Up



5 minutes late daily:
Over 3 days of
learning lost per year.



10 minutes late daily:
About 7 days of
learning missed annually



15 minutes late daily:
Equivalent to missing
almost 2 weeks of school

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Curriculum Spotlight

Year 11 marks a significant stage in students' education as they prepare for their GCSE examinations. The months ahead are critical, and maintaining consistent effort, positive study routines, and strong attendance will have a direct impact on outcomes. As a school, we remain fully committed to supporting every student in achieving their full potential during this important time.

As part of this commitment, we offer our 'Boost & Secure' programme, which provides focused after-school sessions delivered by subject specialists. These sessions are carefully designed to address gaps in knowledge, refine exam skills, and support students in developing effective and independent revision habits in the run-up to their GCSEs.

To help students manage their workload and wellbeing, there are no compulsory sessions on Mondays or Fridays. The programme runs in structured cycles, with sessions organised as follows:

- **Tuesday:** English Boost & Secure
- **Wednesday:** Maths Boost & Secure
- **Thursday:** Tailored support to meet individual student needs

With exams approaching, it is increasingly important that students attend both their timetabled lessons and these additional sessions regularly. The Boost & Secure programme plays a key role in reinforcing classroom learning and building students' confidence ahead of their exams.

Students are expected to arrive on time, come prepared, and engage positively in all sessions. Please note that on Boost & Secure days, detentions will begin from 3:30 pm where necessary.

We are proud of the provision offered through the Boost & Secure programme and value the continued partnership with parents and carers in supporting students at this crucial stage.



If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact a member of the Year 11 team.

Visit our Revision Hub:



Visit our Exams Hub:



Home Learning Focus

As we approach the May examination period, we would like to highlight the vital role that independent study at home plays in supporting your child's preparation. With exams now only a few weeks away, regular and focused revision outside of lessons is essential in helping students build confidence and secure strong outcomes.

Completing home learning consistently through ClassCharts is a key part of this process. These tasks are carefully designed to consolidate learning from lessons, while also encouraging students to develop effective revision techniques and independent study habits that are crucial at this stage.

Independent work at home gives students the opportunity to revisit important topics, practise core skills, and address any gaps in their understanding. Establishing a structured and consistent revision routine now will make a significant difference in how prepared and confident students feel as they enter the exam period.

Students are supported in their home learning through a range of online platforms, including:



Sparx Maths – to practise and strengthen mathematical understanding



CENTURY Tech – to support English skills and personalised learning



Tassomai – to reinforce scientific knowledge through regular retrieval practice

All home learning can be accessed via ClassCharts, where you can view assigned tasks and deadlines. Regularly checking this platform is an effective way to support your child in staying organised, maintaining good study habits, and keeping on track with their revision.

If you do not currently have your ClassCharts login details, please contact the academy and we will be happy to assist.



PROM

Year 11 Prom will take place on Thursday 25 June 2026. Students became eligible to attend from Monday 26 January, and must continue to maintain:

- 96% school attendance
- Excellent punctuality (no more than 3 late marks)
- No more than 40 behaviour points
- 96% attendance at Boost & Secure sessions
- Attendance at all exams
- No serious behavioural incidents

Prom is a privilege, and the Academy reserves the right to withdraw places if expectations are not maintained.

Tickets cost £65 and include transport, welcome mocktails, buffet (vegetarian option available) and a disco.

⚠ Only 180 places are available and tickets are allocated first-come, first-served – spaces are filling quickly!

Payment schedule (via Arbor Pay):

- £20 final payment due by the end of April

If you have any questions or need support with payments, please contact the Year Team or Finance Department at

contact@thesuttonacademy.org.uk

Adult £12
Child £5
Family of 4 £29

4K ROUTE

Run for fun... raise money for Willowbrook

St Helens Colour Run

Saturday 4th July 2026
Arrive from 11.15am & Start 12pm
Victoria Park, St Helens, WA10 2UE

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ROCK NIGHT 2026

YEAR 11 Perform at our recent Rock Night

