



## MADELEY ACADEMY SIXTH FORM 2020 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Results and Signing on Update (June 2020)**

We are expecting results day to be as planned on Thursday 20 August. The procedures for obtaining your results and signing on for Sixth Form will be published on our website and sent to you nearer the time. We are here to support you through the process and queries can be answered via email: [lhobrook@madeleyacademy.com](mailto:lhobrook@madeleyacademy.com). We will have a team of staff available to help you during this time. Remember, if you have been offered a place then this is confirmed (subject to entry requirements) and therefore even if things take a little longer to deal with on results day, your place will be held for you.

### **What can I do over the next few months?**

Accessing the online Induction and the workshops by Positively Mad will get you in the right frame of mind for starting Sixth Form and gives you the chance to meet new people. Places are limited and you need to email [hrobinson@madeleyacademy.com](mailto:hrobinson@madeleyacademy.com) to book a workshop for **Friday 3 July**.

Preparation work is also posted online for each of the Sixth Form subject areas from 1 July. This will enable you to start preparing for September and to get ahead on your courses.

### **What makes Madeley Academy Sixth Form different?**

We are a warm and welcoming Sixth Form with small class sizes (on average 14 students per class). This means students can settle into Sixth Form life quickly and that they can make good progress because of the small class size. Staff are always available to help both before and after the Academy day and this means students can have confidence in their ability to make progress. We get to know all our students individually and each will be given a personalised careers plan upon joining the Sixth Form with lots of enrichment opportunity to get them ready for their next steps.

### **Why do we offer a 4 A Level/BTEC L3 programme?**

By offering students the chance to study 4 different subjects they can keep more breadth and choice in their programmes. It also gives students more points for going to university and also means that their CVs are broader when applying for employment. All subjects will be formally examined at the end of the first year so that students gain a true benchmark of their progress and achieve a recognised qualification after one year (AS levels or equivalent). Students are able to drop one subject after the first year if they wish or then can continue with all subjects until the end of Year 13 – this underpins our personalised approach to do the best for each individual student.

### **What do I wear for Sixth Form?**

Please refer to the guidance on line about suitable business-style dress for Sixth Form.

### **Can I apply for financial support?**

Free School Meals are available to relevant Sixth Formers as is the post-16 bursary scheme. Information on these are given out in your welcome pack.

### **What if I want to change my courses?**

Before or just after starting, we know that some students change their mind over courses. We will always try and meet these requests if there is a space on the course and if you have the correct entry requirement. Remember, these courses cannot clash on the timetable and options grid. All students are subject to a four week probationary period in the Sixth Form to assess suitability for the

chosen courses. Any students struggling with the level/course content will be supported by staff and the careers team to find a solution.

**What if I don't get the grades?**

Let's be optimistic! But if you don't quite make the mark, we will discuss this individually with you on results day to try and get the best possible courses for you. Remember – the entry requirements for Sixth Form are 6 GCSEs Grade 4 or above which must include English Language and Mathematics. Additionally, each course has its own entry requirements and details of this and the course content can be found online in our course information booklet.

Our website is frequently updated and has details on all our Sixth Form courses. There will be more information added once we finalise results day arrangements. Help is always available via email: [lholbrook@madeleyacademy.com](mailto:lholbrook@madeleyacademy.com) or by telephoning Mrs Holbrook on (01952) 527700 ex730.

We are looking forward to you joining us in September.

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