UCAS PROCESS

LOWER 6

SPRING TERM

FOR PARENTS:

- FUTURE PATHWAYS WEBINAR
  An overview of higher education
  - Considering non-university options, gap years, overseas applications
  - Degree Apprenticeships

FOR STUDENTS:

- HOW TO CHOOSE A UNIVERSITY
  Delivered by the University of Surrey
  - Exploring league tables, financial support, facilities, study abroad options, distance from home, graduate employability
- UNIVERSITY RESEARCH
  - How to research courses session, with introduction to online investigative tools that are widely available to help you explore courses such as the UCAS website
- DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS
- STUDYING ABROAD
- ALUMNAE INSIGHTS
- GAP YEAR INFORMATION
- 1:2:1 CONSULTATIONS
  - Available with Senior Sixth Form staff and the Director of Careers plus regular meetings with your Sixth Form tutor

SUMMER TERM

- UNIVERSITY VISITS
- UCAS GRADES GIVEN TO GIRLS
- BEGIN YOUR UCAS LOG
  - Recording progress
- COURSE RESEARCH
- HOW TO WRITE YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT
  - Delivered by a University Admissions Tutor
- PERSONAL STATEMENT WORKSHOPS
  - To develop first drafts
- OXBRIDGE WORKSHOP
- SUPPORT WITH MEDICAL APPLICATIONS

> **I love how supportive all of the staff are with helping to get the best out of us.** They genuinely want the best for you and will go above and beyond to help you reach your potential.

GEORGINA

UPPER 6

AUTUMN TERM

- UCAS EVENING
  - Individual appointments for parents and girls with your daughter's tutor, confirmation of choices, challenge and check
- 1:2:1 UCAS SUPPORT
  - with Senior Sixth Form staff
- SUPPORT IN FINALISING PERSONAL STATEMENTS
- UCAS APPLICATION REVIEW
- OCTOBER | UCAS FORMS & PERSONAL STATEMENTS SUBMITTED
- INTERVIEW PREPARATION AND PRACTICE (AS NEEDED)

SUMMER TERM

- JUNE | UCAS DECISIONS REQUIRED
- AUGUST | EXAM RESULTS
- CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE OR ENTER CLEARING
- POST RESULTS GUIDANCE (AS NEEDED)

> **I really like how many opportunities there are in Sixth Form to take on roles of responsibility.** Everyone gets some kind of leadership/Prefect role and there are further opportunities within your House and Boarding. Everyone really comes into their own and it is such a good way to develop and grow as a person.

GRACE

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS

The Sixth Form Tutor Team has experience of supporting girls in applications to the US, Canada, Hong Kong, Australia and Europe. For the US we advise on SATs and personal essays, entry requirements, funding and visas and support girls fully with the administrative side of the process, which can be complex.

POST QUALIFICATION APPLICATION AND SUPPORT

For those girls who have chosen to have a gap year, we will provide the same level of support to them on the application process but with known A Level results. We communicate frequently, in particular in the autumn at the time applications are submitted.

OXBRIDGE APPLICATIONS AND MEDICINE, VETERINARY MEDICINE, DENTISTRY OR LAW

Girls considering Oxbridge and specialist subjects need to demonstrate interest in the 'super-curriculum', in other words research that is undertaken independently, for example through attendance at local or virtual evening lectures, participation in external essay competitions and their own focused, independent reading. We run an Oxbridge Day in Activities Week and applicants will have an Oxbridge Mentor to help prepare them for interviews, review their academic work, develop their knowledge and source work experience. For Medics there is a Medical Reading Club and MedSoc. We are adept at managing the need to meet earlier application deadlines and support girls with Admissions Tests such as UCAT, as well as helping them to make appropriate choices of medical school.

ART, DRAMA, MUSIC

Recent alumnae have chosen to continue their studies at BIMM Music Institute, Central Saint Martins, LAMDA, the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, the Royal Academy of Music, Fine Art at UAL and Trinity Laban. Our team can guide you through preparing portfolios, mock interviews, auditions, repertoire and more. For organ scholarship applications, the Head of Organ Studies and the Director of Music provide guidance with preparation for auditions and the very early application process demanded.

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

Lasting for four or five years, a degree apprenticeship allows you to study for a degree while working. You gain work experience, earn a salary and can graduate debt-free, giving a different 'university' experience. We will help you consider this route with the ever-increasing number of highly reputable companies offering this option, including Dentons LLP, Dyson, IBM, PWC, Unilever and the Bank of England. Alumna Ellie Speight (2018) has been a visiting speaker on her Business Degree Apprenticeship with Ernst & Young (EY), as has Antonia Cook (2021) who has spoken about her Degree Apprenticeship with Mercedes Benz.