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## CATHOLIC: AN IMPORTANT WORD

Whether new to Stuart Bathurst or not, you will be aware that we are a Catholic Sixth Form within a Catholic School. In essence this means that we are a RELIGIOUS community. We benefit from this fact in a variety of ways. For example:

- We profess a strong faith and moral code.
- We put a great deal of emphasis on the pastoral care of all members of our community.
- We have a clear understanding of presence of God in our lives.
- We believe that each person is a unique individual, loved by God.
- We believe that religious and moral education has a vital place within education, as does that practice of our faith.

Joining Stuart Bathurst's Sixth Form means an acceptance and support of our religious community and its practices, regardless of personal belief.

#### What does this mean?

There will be times that you are required to attend services or practices for services i.e Holy Days of Obligation such as Ash Wednesday.

These are times when the whole of our community come together to worship. On other occasions, services will be voluntary (weekly masses.) You will be required to participate in Form group and Year assemblies.

Charity events are organised on a regular basis. Your support for these events is essential; you are an example to the younger students!

As a community, our educational aims and our religious beliefs and practices cannot be separated. They are closely intertwined.

As a Catholic school we aim to provide an environment where background, personal growth and faith are brought into harmony. We seek this through the subjects we study, in the light of the gospel and by providing an experience of being served, accepted and valued in a way that reflects the example and attitude of Jesus.

At Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School, we, therefore, aim to operate an educational philosophy which:

Places prayer, liturgy and worship at the heart of school life; both celebrating and fostering the development of faith in each individual within the school community.

- Recognises the importance of a purposeful link between home, parish, school and community as a preparation for the student's role as a Christian in the modern world.
- Strives to make our student's experiences of relationships within the school productive and positive and seeks to cherish and develop what is good through mutual respect and understanding.
- Promotes the growth and development of the whole person to their full potential by ensuring that their curriculum experience is within a Catholic context and where the student can be supported in acquiring skills, knowledge, positive attitudes and moral values.
  - Provides a Christ centred setting whereby all can live, experience and celebrate the love of Jesus.



## THE SIXTH FORM CENTRE: FACILITIES FOR YOUR FUTURE

e offer all students new facilities for study and relaxation that rival any 6th Form or College in the country.

#### An Area You Deserve

Students for many years, have either returned to Stuart Bathurst after their GCSEs or come to us from other schools because of the support they receive and the Sixth Form's long history of success.

That support and success is now bolstered by brand new facilities - a smart, technology rich and professional environment designed for you to work, rest and play.

#### Study

There is now a designated study area that will accommodate your needs and enable you to achieve the best grades possible.

These Include:

A space to work in silence. Removing yourself from external distractions will enable you to complete independent study tasks, additional reading and revision.

Space to work collaboratively to complete tasks with fellow students.

ICT facilities to enable you to complete NEA tasks, research independent study.

#### Getting The Balance Right

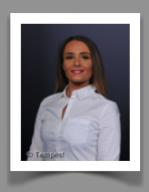
We recognise the need to unwind and bond with your fellow sixth formers, so you now have a comfortable environment where you have the space to relax, repartee and reenergise after the hours of hard work. There is a refreshments area, games to engage you and toilet facilities for the sole use of Sixth Form students.

#### Your Responsibilities

This is a brand-new facility, from which our students have never previous benefitted. We're proud of it, we hope you are too, but it will only look as good as you maintain in. It is therefore your responsibility to look after this area and keep it looking fresh, tidy and conducive to its purpose.



## THE SIXTH TEAM



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## **AS & A LEVEL PROGRAMME**

our sixth Form study programme has five parts and is designed to enhance your future employability and Higher Education opportunities.

- 3 or 4 Level 3 Courses
- 2 Certificate in General RE
- 3 Extra Curricular
- 4 Sport & Recreation
- 5 Tutor Time

#### All students should follow 3 or 4 A Level or Vocational Courses in Year 12

Students will study the subjects chosen and will be assessed on three modules per subject. If you are hoping to gain a modern apprenticeship or apply to university you will be requested to show evidence that you have acquired a wide range of skills and interests. Therefore it is important that you use the opportunities presented in Year 12 and Year 13 to ensure your successes in all five aspects includes in your job and UCAS application.

#### **Guided Learning**

Twelve to fifteen hours outside of the Sixth Form day. Now that you are in Sixth form you will have time set aside for study.

During guided learning sessions you must attend the silent study area. These lessons are compulsory and form a part of your attendance. Here you will complete independent study set by your teachers.

Regardless of work set, you should never say "I've no work to do". You should send this time reviewing notes, researching and discussing any issues with your tutor.

### SIXTH FORM LIFE

MPLOYERS AND UNIVERSITIES ARE LOOKING FOR STUDENTS WHO CAN CONTRIBUTE ABOVE AND BEYOND ACADEMIC STUDY.

Priority will often be given to students who show that they have contributed to their community or taken part in worthwhile activities outside of lessons. Students who give examples of such involvement, are showing ENRICHMENT.

Students applying for Medicine/Law/Dentistry/Veterinary Science should organise work placements in holiday time.

#### Part Time Jobs

Part time work is obviously very valuable. However, research suggests that anything over nine hours, part time, per week will have an adverse effect next summer.

Don't over commit yourself!

#### **Driving Lessons**

For Year 12 & 13 students driving lessons are not permissible during school hours, i.e 8:50am-3:15pm.

#### Sixth Form Council

The Sixth Form Council meets each month to discuss issues and events. Each Tutor group votes for a male and a female representative. The Chair of the Council will ask groups to indicate items for discussion. This is a key forum for your views and opinions to be expressed and heard.

Opportunities for enrichment within the Sixth Form include:

Retreat

Duke of Edinburgh

Voluntary Work

Charity Activities

Classroom Support

SEN Support

Theatre Trips

Young Enterprise SVP

Amnesty International

Peer Mentoring

### SIXTH FORM LIFE

By accepting a place within the Sixth Form, students agree to daily attendance which includes morning registration and afternoon registration as a compulsory part of the academic day. You must not leave the premises without permission.

All students are on a full time programme and we expect 100% attendance. For emergencies please see the Sixth Form Team.

#### **Absence Procedure**

In case of illness or unexpected absence, a parent should telephone the school by 8:30 and leave a message with reception.

Remember that the teacher of all members of Sixth Form classes can seriously be affected by casual absences. Should time be missed, it is the responsibility of the student to contact teaching staff in order to catch up with work.

#### **Known Absence**

Where possible, all none m e r g e n c y appointments should be outside of school time. Students should inform Miss Brookes or Miss Dixon in person before absence.

This will ensure that all teachers affected by your absence are made aware. Doctor or Dentist are insufficient as a reason; please attach a medical appointment card or letter to your Leave of Absence form. If your appointment is first thing in the morning, then we must be shown this prior to the day.

Absence from lessons without completion of a LOA will be regarded as unofficial and breaking your contract.

#### Leaving the Premises

Health & Safety Warning.

Students must not leave the premises without signing out. Students who leave the premise and contravene our health and safety rules endanger lives. This is a more significant issue than not attending lessons.

Unless given permission, or on a verified trip, students. Just be on site at all times. Short trips to the local shops are not permitted.

## DRESS CODE

The dress code is about appearance and attitude. You are expected to dress in accord with a place of work. All Sixth Form students are required to wear a suit and adhere to the following:

#### **Unsuitable Clothing**

- Jeans, denim style clothing, tracksuits, leggings or legging type wear.
- Shorts and 3/4 length trousers.
- Skirts above the knee.
- T-Shirts, sports tops or writing on tops (a small sized logo is acceptable.)
- Trainers or hybrid trainers, canvas shoes, casual shoes, flip flops.
- Outdoor hats, hoods or jackets should not be work inside the building.
- Skirts MUST be close to knee length. Short shirts are not allowed.

#### Suitable Clothing

- ✓ Fully buttoned shirts and plain tops for females.
- ✓ Sixth Form Tie.
- ✓ Black or dark coloured trousers, suits, skirts.
- ✓ Smart shoes, sandals, boots.
- Students studying sport must bring kit with them, not to be worn all day around school.

#### **Mobile Phones**

- Sixth Form may use mobile phones only in the Sixth Form Centre, outside of their scheduled lessons.
- They must not be used whilst walking around the school building or grounds.
- In order to set an example to younger students, it is vital that this is adhered to.
- Failure to do so will result in disciplinary consequences.

## SIXTH FORM

## SUCCESS

njoy the challenges, be positive and make a commitment to your study. The rewards will be great.

Success requires you, do take an active part in your own learning. Tutors and subject tutors will support you and give you feedback on the progress you are making. Remember to talk through ideas and plan your time effectively.

#### **Organise Your Time**

Naturally, you want to make the most of your opportunities whilst in the Sixth Form. Using your time effectively will help you concentrate on your goals and realise your expectations.

#### Personal Action Plan

You need to translate longterm goals and expectations into everyday activities, and so procedure your personal action plan. Use schedules to map out

#### **Annual Schedule**

An annual schedule will provide an overall framework in which to work.

#### Weekly Schedule

A weekly schedule will identify your regular commitments and the time left to undertake remaining activities.

#### **Daily Schedule**

A daily schedule will help you to plan and re-plan effectively.

#### Planning & Preparation

Draw up a weekly schedule of fixed actives.

Try to complete at lest one major task each day.

Concentrate on the most important work.

Undertake important and difficult tasks when you are at your best.

Set time limits for tasks and stick to them.

Begin as early as possible.

Split work into small units so you can see your progress.

Prepare for work by having all you need at hand.

For in an environment in which you feel comfortable.

Do things well.

## **STAFF**

## RESPONSIBILITIES

At the start of your course staff will give you the appropriate specifications/plans and details of the course. You will be given information on the assessment requirements for your course as well as any major deadline dates.

Your tutor will give you an academic diary to help you develop your organisational skills.

Staff will work with you on study skills: revision techniques and time management for their own course. Some departments will organise extra activities such as revision days. You should give priority to these activities.

At the start of the course staff will explain marking systems and the grades to be used.

Staff will be prepared for lessons, will use a variety of teaching methods and the lessons will begin on time. Dictation will be avoided.

Staff will set regular work with realistic deadlines. This work will be marked and returned to you with feedback so that you can learn from what you have achieved.

Major deadlines for exams or coursework will be published well in advance to help in your preparation.

Coursework will be broken down into clear stages with regular dates for monitoring. Staff will check your folder/ notes and you will be given the opportunity for one to one review/discussion with staff to help in the monitoring of your progress. This may occur in lesson or in guided study time.

Your can expect praise for work and effort.

If staff are absent concerned about you in any aspect they will contact your tutor, Miss Brookes or Miss Dixon.

## STUDENT

## RESPONSIBILITIES

Maximum effort in lesson time and on home study.

Taking responsibility for your studies, responding positively to staff feedback.

Practice doing past exam papers.

Take advantage of all assessment opportunities and complete to the best of your ability.

Attend pre-arranged meetings. These must not be during a timetabled lesson.

You need to make sure that you write down all of your work set. Nobody has a perfect memory! Use the academic diary given to you to record 'hand in' dates for work set as well as "Google Classroom".

You must organise your work, including revision and make sure you meet all deadlines. Your tutor will help you to schedule your work.

You must ask for help when you need it - sounds simple but you would be surprised how many students get into a mess because they don't like to ask. Teachers are there to help - make their day - ask a question or two. Also make sure that you do understand any feedback that you are given - keep asking until you understand perfectly.

If, after attempting the work, you find that you are having problems, you must see the member of staff before the deadline. Staff are always willing to help.

Your progress will be reviewed at least once a per,. You should be prepared to give staff feedback on your performance and feedback on the course.

Lessons must start and end on time. You must attend all lessons. If you are absent you must see your teachers as soon as you return, to collect any missed work. If you are going to be absent you must see all of the members of staff who will be affected, in advance.

You are given study time please remember that others
are trying to work, so be
respectful. The Sixth Form
study area is for independent,
quiet work. If you need to
discuss ideas with other
students then please use the
Sixth Form Common Room.

#### Why take notes?

All Sixth Form students will have to taker notes. Purpose of note-taking:

- Encourage Active Listening
- **\*\*** Exam Preparation
- **\*\*** Test Understanding
- **#** Impart Information
- To serve a basis for a piece of written work
- Revision; to act as an aid to memory
- For reference, to help recall material not readily available again.

#### **Note-taking Techniques**

- Spider Diagram
- **\*** Lists and Bullet Points
- Flow Charts
- # Headings and subheadings
- # Highlight and use of colour
- Sequencing
- Wisual contexts (time graphs, graphical images, mind maps)

#### **Note-taking Tips**

- Do not try to write down every word. Listen to Key words and phrases and then make a note of them.
- Use headings and subheadings so that the argument and key points are clear when read later.
- Keep all of your notes for each subject in a strong folder or notebook to avoid losing scraps of paper.

#### Review your notes

Review notes within 24-36 hours. Fill in any extra details, which you remember from key words. Briefly, review again a week or so later to help fix the content in your mind. This is the reason for your study lessons on your timetable.

#### When reading books

- Take notes according to the purpose in hand.
- Don't copy the text -Summarise the content.
- If you copy use quotation marks so that you know in the future which were your words, and note the page number - you will need it in a reference.

## EFFECTIVE STUDY SKILLS

Il Post 16 courses involve a good deal of reading and absorption of new information! Use these strategies for making the most of your study time.

#### Rapid Reading

The most useful speed should give 60-70% comprehension. Make your eyes move rapidly forward and do not glance back. You should find you are reading groups of words, not one at a time. This does not mean non-stop reading; pause for thought when you need to. For rapid reading read only for short periods with shorted breaks.

#### **Slow Reading**

Read a section and then check understanding by re-reading. Consider opinions which may differ from yours. Weigh evidence and look for contradictions. Make notes of the topic and your own reactions. Read with an enquiring and critical mind. If the author poses a question. Consider the answer, ask yourself questions. Is it convincing? Is it biased? This not only helps you to form criticism but to concentrate as well. Do not believe everything you read. Distinguish evidence from criticism. What is unsaid? Economy with the truth.

Take regular breaks after 20 minutes of this kind reading.

#### Skim Reading

Let your eyes skim the page. Notice the signposts such as chapter headings/ sub headings, words in bold etc. Look for tables, diagrams that summarise large areas of the topic. Read first paragraph of each chapter and make chapter summaries. Be prepared to ignore chapters or paragraphs etc that are not essential to you. Use contents pages or index to locate only information needed.

#### Plan Your Reading Time

Review what you have read, check your findings and make notes.

# ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

ttendance at ALL lessons is essential. Your contract stipulates this.

#### Attendance Panel

Students failing to meet the expected 96% attendance and punctuality boundary will be invited with their parents, to have an attendance panel meeting with the Assistant Headteacher and the Educational Welfare Officer.

Targets will be set at this meeting and students placed on an attendance contract, which could result in the withdrawal of a place at Stuart Bathurst Catholic Sixth Form.

If for any genuine reason you cannot attend a lesson, the member of staff involved must be informed beforehand. Or you must inform the Head of Department or Head of Sixth Form. Deliberate absence will be regarded as breaking your formal contract.

The sanctions in place are the same as those for leaving the premises without signing out or for leaving during the compulsory part of the Sixth Form day.

#### 100-99% - Excellent

Your reference will highlight attendance as a real sign of commitment.

#### 96%+ - Very Good Attendance

Attendance will be highlighted in any reference.

#### 94%+ - Satisfactory Attendance

Be careful not to let it slip.

#### Below 92% - Attendance is a concern

Your form tutor will speak to you. You are beginning to endanger your reference and academic success.

## 21+ Lates - You have ignored advice and sanctions.

More serious measures will occur, the least of which will be an interview with you and your parents. Your continuation with courses will be called into question.

Sixth Form students arriving late to school in the morning will be required to continue their studies an hour after school or during lunch and break times.

#### 0-5 Lates - Excellent Punctuality

This will be highlighted in any reference. If combined with excellent attendance, you will be rewarded and recognised for your commitment.

**6-10 Lates - Punctuality is becoming a concern** Your tutor will speak to you and target any causes of your poor punctuality.

## 11-15 Lates - Your lack of punctuality is unacceptable.

You will have a formal interview with the Head of Sixth Form and you will be placed on a contract. Both you and your parents will be informed that all other 'lates' will result in your being sent home. In addition your reference will contain a total tally of you 'lates' and if significant and immediate improvement does not occur, your place at Sixth Form will be at risk.

#### Below 85% Attendance is a real concern

Unless your form tutor has clear evidence of medical issues, your parents will be contacted and deep concerns expressed. Continuation of your course is at risk. You will be places on a contract.

Below 80% Continuation into Year 13 is at risk Unless there is a clear medical evidence to explain this very low level of attendance, the Head of Sixth Form will contact parents to arrange a formal interview with them. A contract will be put in place.

# WHAT HAPPENS IF THERE ARE PROBLEMS?

E HOPE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE ANY PROBLEMS - BUT JUST IN CASE, YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE PROCEDURES THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED.

If you have any concerns regarding a particular lesson:

- Speak to the teacher involved
- Refer the matter to your tutor (they are there to help) if the concern persists.
- Remind your tutor until the situation is dealt with to your satisfaction.

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If staff have concerns about your punctuality, attendance, failure to meet deadlines:

- Staff will discuss this with you first - and you tutor.
- If the concern persists staff will consult Miss Brookes or Miss Dixon. Your parents will also be informed to help you to sort out the problem.
- The next stage involves Miss Brookes and Miss Dixon arranging a meeting with your parents to discuss your future in Sixth Form.

#### If you fail to meet a deadline

Unless you have previously discussed your problem with the member of staff, you may be asked to leave the lesson until you have caught up with the work. You will be asked to return at the end of the lesson with the completed work. Meetings deadlines is so important simply because the work that you produce is often needed to demonstrate your understanding or preparation for the next topic etc. Staff do not set work because we like marking - remember you only have to write one essay piece of work - the member of staff has to mark many more.

#### **Changing Courses**

Occasionally students find that they are unhappy with the courses they have chosen If you find yourself in this situation, act sooner rather than later. Changing courses is a serious decision and only to be done when these procedures have been followed.

## If you are unhappy on one of your courses.

Consider honestly why you are unhappy and see if it is something you can tackle yourself.

Speak to both your tutor and the subject tutor about your concerns.

If you are still unhappy, arrange to see Miss Brookes or Miss Dixon who will discuss the situation throughly.

Course changes must be approved by all relevant staff. A 'Proposed Change of Course letter' MUST be completed. Until this is done, all lessons must be attended.

All books must be returned promptly once you have changed or completed a course.

## IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES OR DOUBTS:

- Do not keep quiet and hope the problem goes away.
- Do not avoid the problem by being absent.
- Do not make decisions without speaking to all concerned.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP. TALK TO US.

# A DISCIPLINARY/ SANCTION CODE FOR SIXTH FORM?

DISCIPLINARY SYSTEM FORT THE MODERN SIXTH-FORM NEEDS TO BE MODELLED ON GOOD PRACTICE IN THE ADULT WORLD.

STUDENTS MAY BECOME SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES FOR ONE OF THE TWO MAJOR REASONS:

#### **\*\*** MISCONDUCT

## % PROBLEMS WITH WORK

There is a graduated series of measurements. For serious matters one or more stages may be omitted.

## STEP ONE: INFORMAL WARNING

Given by a subject teacher or a form teacher. Not recorded on the students 'file'.

Not necessarily reported too Assistant Principal (Sixth Form) or pastoral staff.

May be reported by the teacher to parents or guardians of a student, for example at a parental consultation evening.

Sanctions may include supervised private study.

## STEP TWO: OFFICIAL VERBAL WARNING

Given by Head of Sixth Form or SLT. In former instance, Assistant Headteacher (Sixth Form) informed or consulted as appropriate.

Warning recorded on student's 'file' and an official letter sent to parent/carers of the student under eighteen and to parent and student, if student over eighteen.

Possible sanctions may include temporarily suspension from privileges or use of facilities, or being placed on 'report'.

## STEP THREE: OFFICIAL WRITTEN WARNING/CONTRACT

A verbal warning but letter/ contract will be more explicit and require action on the part of the student.

#### STEP FOUR: E X C L U S I O N MISCONDUCT

The SLT Head of Sixth Form may insist that a student should stay away from school, or not attend all or part of their course, for a given period; this is particularly the case when a student fails to attend a lesson.

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Serious misconduct may result in a recommendation to the Headteacher that he exclude the student concerned.

#### STEP FIVE: SUSPENSION/EXCLUSION FOR ACADEMIC FAILURE/ POOR WORK ETHIC

If a student consistently fails to work to an approved standard, or to complete essential modules/assignments, he/she may be required to withdraw from the school roll.

However, in keeping with our mission as a Catholic School, we believe that the interests of the students are paramount, and therefore discussion with all parties concerned, including parents, would be sought in an attempt to resolve problems before reaching that point.

Action of this nature may follow the recommendation of the SLT Link for Sixth Form to the Headteacher that such action is necessary.

## **BURSARY GUIDANCE**

F YOU'RE AGED BETWEEN 16 AND 19 YEARS AND FACE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP WHILE YOU'RE IN FULL TIME EDUCATION YOU MAY RECEIVE A BURSARY.

Schools, colleges and training providers will be responsible for awarding bursaries to students. For most bursaries they decide on the amount, when it is paid and whether it's linked to behaviour or attendance, except for those most in need.

Those most in need, such as those in care, care leavers or those claiming income support will be guaranteed a bursary.

#### 16-19 Bursary Fund

As you may be aware, the government had made changes to the financial support available to Sixth Form students with lower than average household income. The purpose of this page is to explain these changes.

#### **SBCHS Bursary Eligibility**

To be eligible to be considered to receive a bursary a student:

- Must be under 19 on the 31st August in the academic year in which he or she starts the programme of study.
- Must satisfy YPLA residency criteria

The continue to receive an agreed instalment based a student must satisfy the following conditions:

- The student must not have unauthorised and unexplained absences or lateness from lessons or school.
- The student must not have broken terms of the Sixth Form Contract.

Bursaries are paid either through instalments (where appropriate) or by a one off payment in support of a specific need, as outlined in letters of application.

At the end of each term a review will be made of how well these conditions have been met and adjustments may be made to any agreed future allocation.

#### Level One

This is fixed at £1,200 per year and is designed to support the young people in most need. These have been identified by the governments as:

- Young People in Care.
- **Series** Care Leavers.
- Young People in receipt of income support.
- Disabled young people in receipt of Employment.
- Support Allowance who are also in receipt of Disability Living Allowance.

The school will seek to identify students who are eligible for level 1 bursary. Parents or carers will need to provide appropriate documentation to prove entitlement, for example a letter setting out the benefit to which the student is entitled, or written confirmation for the student's current or previous looked after status from the local authority which looks after him or her or provides the leaving care services.

#### **Level Two**

Other students may be eligible for a smaller one off bursary payment. These will be determined by the school on an individual case by case basis. We will seek to target our bursary awards toward students facing financial barriers to participation.

The amount that will be paid will be dependent on the number of applications for assistance received ands the size of the bursary fund allocated to the school by the government.

To enable the school to make an informed decision the parent or carer may be requested to supply documentation e.g. indicating entitlement to Income Support, Tax Credits or a P60 for the previous year, as proof of income and or earnings.

Students currently or previously in receipt of free school meals are not automatically entitled to receive a bursary, but this may be taken into account.

#### Changes in Circumstance Over the Academic Year

A small contingency amount will be retained from the overall bursary fund so that some support could be available in the event of a sudden deterioration in the financial circumstances of a student. Payments of students may also be adjusted to take account of improvements in a students circumstances.

#### **Application**

Those wishing to apply for a bursary must complete the application from, which will be available from the Sixth Form Office, the Finance Office and on the school website. (If your circumstances deteriorate during the academic year, you should speak to a member of the Sixth Form Team.

# SIXTH FORM CONTRACT

By accepting your place at Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School you are agreeing to the conditions below:

This agreement identifies the service, support and contribution which students, parents and Sixth Form may reasonably expect in order to help fulfil our mission.

Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School undertakes to provide a distinctly Catholic ethos, with strong emphasis upon religious, spiritual and moral development. It has high quality teaching programmes of academic study suited to the ability of each student in line with the demands of examination syllabuses. We provide an opportunity for spiritual development through the General RE Programme, liturgies, and the ethos of the school.

Academic advice, guidance and appropriate marking of work including:

- # Reliable and impartial advice about choices and routes including careers advice
- Clear and accurate information about: Courses and qualifications, facilities and entry requirements
- Rules, expectations and arrangements for security and safety
- Regular assessment of students' work in line with published assessment and marking policies within the school and Sixth Form

A programme of personal, social and health education will be provided as standard. Students will receive prompt alerts of any difficulties this may include attendance or lack of effort.

Opportunities are created to contribute to decision-making processes within the school, through the work of the Sixth Form Council.

#### The Contract and Parents

The role of the parent evolves through secondary school, as more and more responsibility can be accepted by the student as an emerging adult. However, parents may still support students in the following ways:

By supporting the school's Catholic ethos; its systems of rewards and sanctions, and reinforcing, as necessary, the school's expectation of conduct, attendance and dress. It is expected that a parent will take an interest in the students work and in supporting his or her studies where possible. It is important that parents monitor school work, and the balance of part-time jobs with school study.

Parents will be asked to attend consultation evenings and parental information evenings. We ask that they share concerns about health, education and conduct with the Sixth Form Team.

#### The Contract and the Student

By the time of entry to the Sixth Form, students have taken much more responsibility for their own lives. The agreement recognises this development and seeks to support students in their emerging adulthood. Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School expects the following:

Students must attend school regularly. An average of 96% attendance is expected of all students. Students must be punctual with their attendance to school and lessons. Lateness will be met with appropriate sanctions. Students must be mindful tat appointments are not permitted during the school day unless previously signed off by The Sixth Form Team.

Students will work along side staff and other students to support the Catholic Ethos of the school. Student must make responsible use of none contact time by reading around subjects and looking into furthering their education journey. Student must not disrupt or distract others from learning, this applies to any working environment within the school.

Students must comply with health and safety regulations such as signing in and out at reception during the school day. Students are not permitted to leave site without permission from The Sixth Form Team.

Students must have respect for themselves and others at all times throughout the school day.

Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School Sixth Form has a strict uniform policy which must be adhered to at all times. Sanction will be put in place if the uniform policy is not adhered too. Students are expected to complete all work and coursework completed on time.

Students are expected to show their support for extra curricular activities and accept any reasonable demands these may make on their own time.

Student should observe the non-smoking and alcohol-free environment of the school and especially be mindful of the example offered to younger students.

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Student Signature:	
Student Name Printed:	
Sixth Form Team Signature:	