



Meadowhead School and Sixth Form

Year 11 Welcome Evening
Thursday 17th September 2026





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Thank you for being here this evening.

- To give you as parents/carers confidence to support your child through the challenges of Year 11 – there is a lot going on.
- To pass on key information relating to what is happening between now and the final GCSE exams.
- To emphasise how important being in school is each day.
- To reassure you that stress is normal for students.
- To ask for your support in ensuring that the basics such as uniform are right every day.
- To ask for your support in encouraging Year 11 students to attend after school sessions.

Year 11–Assessment is on-going, not all of it is about the Summer

- Many vocational subjects have assessments that count towards some or all of the final grade, for example we have food NEAs, drama and dance assessments and a 10 hour art assessment that takes place this term.
- Subjects such as English may only cover a particular poem in one lesson, if you are absent, you may miss the content.
- We provide two sets of mock examinations in the year, 23rd November – 4th December 2026 and 24th February – 5th March 2027 both aimed at ensuring students are familiar and comfortable with the arrangements for their Summer examinations.
- They measure a student's understanding of the work to that point and are used to encourage good revision practises, such as attending revision sessions and planning a revision timetable.

Year 11 Summer Examinations 2027

- 'Traditional' written papers begin on the 4th May 2027 and run through until 23rd June 2027 (this last date is a contingency day and all students must be available up until this date)
- During this time, a typical student will sit 20+ examination papers in around 30 school days.
- We do not operate a policy of study leave (and haven't in the 18 years I have worked here)
- Most students have at least one examination paper most days.
- If they are fortunate enough to have some days without papers, we expect them in school and will provide teacher expertise, booster sessions and continue good routines ahead of their remaining papers – no dental/ doctors appointments please.

Year 11 Summer Examinations 2027

- Any alternative arrangements for students must be in place during the mock exams and should represent a student's **normal way of working** (use of laptop, rest breaks...)
- If students miss a paper in the Summer window, they cannot take it the day after (we have had students think that this is the case in the past)
- If medical evidence cannot be provided as to why a student is absent from an examination they have been entered for, the cost of that entry will be passed on to the family. This is typically around £50 per subject.
- Missed exams = No attendance to Prom.

Support outside of the teaching day

- In Year 11, we **expect all students** to extend their school day beyond the 2:45pm finish at least twice a week.
- English teachers are providing a **compulsory** period 6 lesson for all Y11 students, aimed at improving the quality of extended writing tasks. This will benefit all students, both with their Year 11 studies, and with potential post 16 courses. It is as a result of feedback from students and their teachers.
- **Maths have created 5 groups that run after school on a Thursday each week, aimed at supporting students identified by their class teachers.**
- Some students will have already received their History invitations
- Other subjects will be issuing invites to students who they feel would benefit from the extra support offer after school. Please encourage your child to make the most of this opportunity.

Careers – post-16 choices



INFORMATION

- Sep-Dec 1-to-1 careers meeting
- **22 Sep** **Y11 Parent/carer online webinar** **4.00pm - 4.45pm**
- 5 Nov Technical Next Steps open event 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- 11 Nov Meadowhead Sixth Form open event 5.00pm - 7.00pm

SUPPORT

- careers@meadowhead.sheffield.sch.uk
- After-school L10 Thurs 2.45pm
- Career office Break/lunch etc

APPLICATION WINDOW

- 01 Dec Applications open
- **31 Jan** **HARD Deadline**
- 25 Feb SF offers made



At Meadowhead, we make a difference



Careers – post-16 choices



GRADES

- Do your best!
- Aim for **at least** grade 4+
(Resits required in English lang. and maths if below grade 4.)
- Term 1 predicted grades go on applications – start strong!

QUESTIONS

- Do we have a plan A & plan B?
- Study / apprenticeships / work:
What do we need to research further?
- Is there a job / job sector I am aiming for?



Future Aspirations – Mr Collins

- Up and coming assemblies
 - Applications and Routes (LCO)
 - Meadowhead Sixth Form (RGA)
 - Sheffield College/other provider (LCO)
- Meadowhead Sixth Form Open Event: Thursday 11th November, 5 – 7pm (booking information to follow via email).
- January: Sixth Form Interviews (informal discussions with a member of the Sixth Form Team about subjects, entry requirements and attendance)
- 30th June, 1st July: Sixth Form Transition days



Year 11 Aims

- **Attendance 95%**

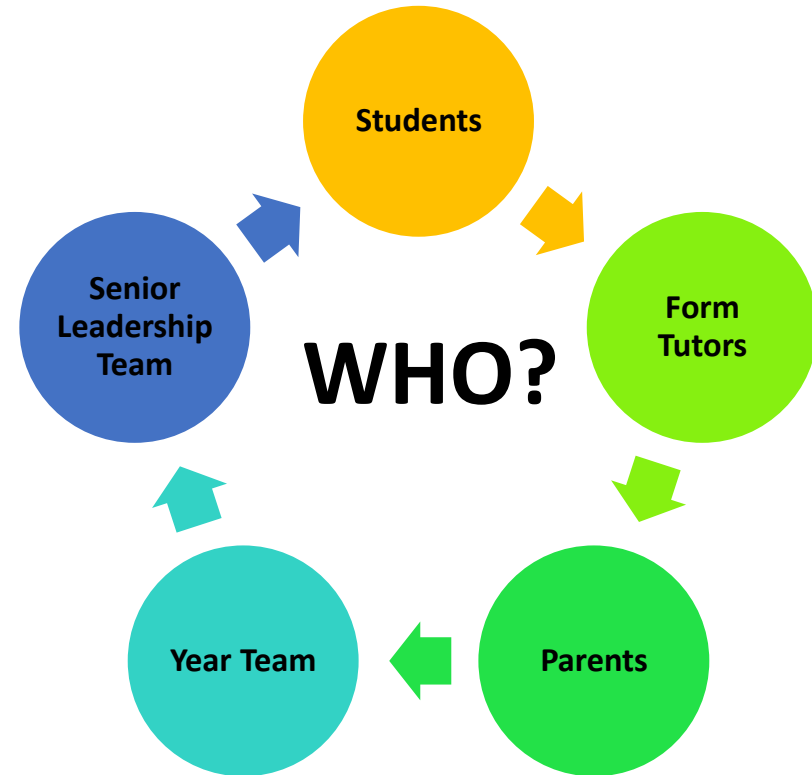
(190 School Days, this means there are only 9.5 days absence across the whole year).

- **Grades - future aspirations**

College and Sixth form etc.

- **Skills**

Ready for employment
(C.V. and Applications etc.)

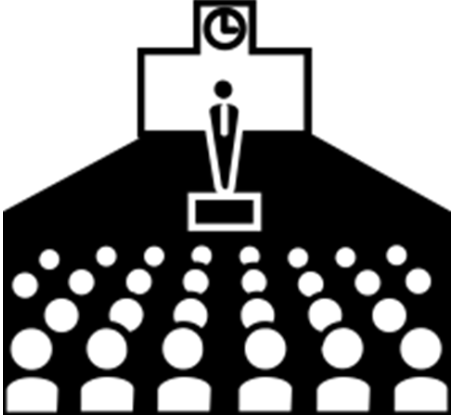


		SEPTEMBER				OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
Sat	29	1		26	5		31	9		28	13		Sat				
Sun	30			27			1			29			Sun				
Mon	31	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday	28	KS4 Geography FW	Food NEA 1	MH Together AGM (5:30-7)	2	Y13 RP1 Input (F)		30	Y10 RP1 Input (W)	Y11 Mocks	Flu Vaccination		Mon	
Tue	1	Training Day		29		Food NEA 1		3			1					Tues	
Wed	2	Y7 Photographs (Y7 and Y12 only)	Safeguarding Training (1.5hrs)	30		Food NEA 1	Faculty	4		Flu Vaccination	Faculty	2		Training Day (Curriculum)		Wed	
Thu	3		King Lear Theatre 7:15	1		Food NEA 1		5			Y11/13 Technical Routes Evening	3			PP Review 1	Thu	
Fri	4			2		Food NEA 1		6				4				Fri	
Sat	5	2		3	6		7	10		5	14		Sat				
Sun	6			4			8			6			Sun				
Mon	7			5	Y12 Course Review	Food NEA 1	Governors' T/A (5-7)	9	Y10 Assessment Week	Food NEA Trials	Governors' Pupils (5-7)	7	Y8 Assessment Week	Food PP Boyz (FT-P2)	Full Trust Board (5-7)	Mon	
Tues	8		Middle Leaders	6		Food NEA 1		10		Food NEA Trials		8		Food PP Boyz (FT-P2)		Tues	
Wed	9		Faculty	7		Food NEA 1		11		Food NEA Trials	Sixth Form Open Evening	9		Y11 Electrical NEA	Faculty	Wed	
Thu	10			8		Food NEA 1	Y6 Open Evening	12		Food NEA Trials	Y11/13 Apprentic. Event	10		Y11 Electrical NEA		Thu	
Fri	11			9	Y11 RP1 Input (F)	Training Day (Appraisal)		13	Y12 BTEC Mocks			11	Y11 Art Exam	Y11 Electrical NEA		Fri	
Sat	12	3		10	7		14	11		12	15		Sat				
Sun	13			11			15			13			Sun				
Mon	14		Full Trust Planning (5-6:30)	12	Y9 RP1 Input (Att)			16	Y7 RP1 Input (Att)	Food NEA Trials		14	Y11 Art Exam		Mhead AGM (5-6)	Mon	
Tues	15			13	Y13 Assessment Week	Drama @ Sheff Theatres	Drama @ Sheff Theatres	17		Food NEA Trials	Middle Leaders	15				Tues	
Wed	16	Y10 Drama Workshop (10:15-12:15)	CPD (2hrs)	14			Faculty	18		Food NEA Trials		16			Faculty	Wed	
Thu	17	Y12 Alton Towers	Y11 Parents' Meet (6pm)	15				19		Food NEA Trials	Y13 Parents' Eve.	17			KS5 Cert. Eve.	Thu	
Fri	18		Drama Reacher Observ. Rehearsal	16		Food NEA immers.		20				18				Fri	
Sat	19	4		17	8		21	12		19			Sat				
Sun	20			18			22			20			Sun				
Mon	21			19	Y8 RP1 Input (Att)		Governors' Trustee Training	23	Y11 Mocks		Governors' F/R (5-6:30)	21	Christmas Holiday			Mon	
Tues	22	Y11 Wood NEA		20				24		Food NEA Mod.		22				Tues	
Wed	23	Y11 Wood NEA	Year Team	21				25		Y10 Christmas Carol	Year Team	23				Wed	
Thu	24	Y11 Wood NEA	Y12 Parents' Meet (6pm)	22			Y7/Y12 Settling In Eve. Y8-11/13 Tutor Review	26			KS4 Certificate Evening	24				Thu	
Fri	25	Big Bang STEM		23				27				25				Fri	

Form time 8.35am

Form Time Curriculum



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Supported Study	Supported Study	Assembly	Careers	In the news
				
Each morning there are important Daily Messages and updates delivered in form time to the students. Interventions will be taking place during form time for core subjects. These are by invitation and are compulsory Student will also complete reflection and target setting tasks				



- **Ready to learn**

Equipment
Punctuality
Homework
STARS



- **Respectful community**

First time , every time
Never Okay
Show kindness
Acceptable Language
Caring for your environment



- **Safe environment**

Uniform: Smart, Safe and the Same
Phones: Never seen, heard or used
Calm finish
Safe movement around school

 Y11 After school examination preparation programme
Autumn 2026

Tuesday

- Art Open Studio* - D01/D11
- Drama Intervention PA5
- Food Nea Catch Up – D08
- Geography – H01
- History - H06
- Religious Studies Revision
- Science Revision Combined
F – S12
H – S11
T – S10
- Textiles Open Studio* - D10

Thursday

- Art Open Studio* - D01/D11
- Drama Intervention - PA4/PA1
- Extended Maths – M09
- Food Nea Catch Up – D08
- Geography
- Language Homework Support Club
- Maths Revision
F- M04/M13/M11
H- M12/M08
- Photography Open Studio* - D12
- Textiles Open Studio – D10

Monday

Compulsory English

Wednesday

Sports Revision – L09

Friday

Drama Intervention – PA4
Music Intervention – PA3

 **Sessions run 2.45–3.30; * starts at 3.00**

 **Club days may change while we finalise the timetable. Please check for updates.**

Y11 Extra-Curricular Activity – Autumn 2026

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>		<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>		<u>Friday</u>
Drama Club (FT) PA5	Art Open Studio* D11/D01	History H06	HFVB BTEC Intervention Mezz	Art Open Studio* D11/D01	Languages Homework Support Club L09	Computer Science E10
English P6	Badminton Sports Hall	Homework Club E10	Homework Club E10	Creative Writing Club E06	Maths Revision F- M04/M13/M11 H- M12/M08	Debate Club E11
	Book Club E12	Maths Homework Support Club Mezz	Knitting Club Bridge	Drama Intervention PA4 PA1	Photography Open Studio* D12	Digital Art Club* D12
	Bridge Homework Club	Movie Maker E08	Independent Study/Quiet Reading Library	Eco Club H01	Science Homework Support S05	Drama Intervention PA4
	Choir (FT) PA5	Religious Studies Revision L08	Sports Revision L09	English Homework Support Club E11	Textiles Open Studio D10	Fitness Fitness Suite
	Dance AR2	Science Revision Combined F – S12 H – S11 T – S10	Wellbeing Café Bridge	Extended Maths M09	Woodwind PA1	Homework Club E10
	Drama Intervention PA5	Sparx Mezz		Food NEA Catch Up D08		Insect Club Bridge
	EAL Revision L	Textiles Open Studio* D10		Football (Girls) Astro		Independent Study/Quiet Reading Library
	Enterprise/ICT E10	Warhammer/ Games D09		Geography H01		Music Intervention PA3
	Flame E09			Homework Club E10		Showcase group HT2 onwards (FT) PA5
	Food NEA Catch Up D08			Independent Study/Quiet Reading Library		
	Geography H01					

Music faculty offer Singing, Strings, Drums, Piano, Flute, Guitar, and Woodwind with a music instructor during school time.

Please speak with your music teacher.

Sessions run from 2.45 – 3.30, apart from those with * which start at 3.00.

Revision Guides

- Ask your child to speak to their subject teachers to find out which Tier paper they will be sitting in the final exams.
- Subject teachers may also guide students to which topics and types of books they will need for their revision.
- To order them you should log in to your My Portal account, they will be delivered to school by the external company.
- Once they arrive they will be brought to your child.
- In addition to this, the school make booklets which contain knowledge organisers for each subject.
- These Knowledge organisers are to be used during supported study to support further revision.



Year 11 Rewards Passport

Rewards

Reward No.1- September-December. Free Time.

This Reward entitles you to free time, off timetable, with your peers to enjoy a hot chocolate and cookie in the 6th form common room.



Reward No.2- January- Mid March. Leaver's Hoodie.

This Reward entitles you to receive a potential discount on the price of your hoodie.



Reward No.3- April-June. Prom Invitation and Discounts.

This Reward entitles you to receive a potential discount on the price of your Year 11 Prom ticket.



What is it?

- Rewards passport.
- This is all about you and your performance in year 11, you need to shape your own year 11 journey.
- Termly awards available for everyone in year 11.

You are responsible for your own progress, behaviour and success. Good luck!!



Reward No. 1- September- December.

- This Reward entitles students to a small in school reward in the 6th form common room.

How?

- Achievement Points.
- Attendance to school.
- Punctuality.
- Attendance to after school intervention/NTP sessions.



Reward No.1 Golden Time (SEPTEMBER- DECEMBER)																																									
ACHIEVEMENT POINTS (Collect these by going to the after school subject sessions and NTP and through positive engagement in lessons)	20 +																																								
ATTENDANCE To school (less than 3 days absence this term)	95%+																																								
NO. of LATES (to School)	Less than 5 (this term)																																								
ATTENDANCE TO AFTER SCHOOL/ NTP SESSIONS Or Evidence of at least 30 minutes of revision at home (Shown to your subject teacher). Subject Teacher must sign a box each time.																																									
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REWARDS ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO BEHAVIOUR AND HOMEWORK CHECKS																																									





Reward No. 2- January- April.

- This Reward entitles students to receive a potential discount on the price of your leaver's hoodie.
- Leaver's Hoodies can be worn in the final term of school, along with the usual school uniform.

How?

- Achievement Points.
- Attendance to school.
- Punctuality.
- Attendance to after school intervention/NTP sessions.
- Exam conduct.

Reward No. 3- April- Prom Night.



Final School report and behaviour:

- Attitude to learning score- classroom expectations.
- Attitude to learning score- examination preparation.
- Attendance.
- HOY Summary.
- Exam Conduct.
- Behaviour in and around school, this can take in to consideration any issues you are involved in within the community.



Tips for Parents- how can I help?

- Work with and communicate with the school, we all want the best for your child and want to work together to support them.
- Each morning there are important Daily Messages and updates delivered in form time to the students, the school day begins at 8.35am in form time.
- Supported Study - an email is being sent to Y11 Parents/Carers on a Monday morning with a link to the supported study resources. Each week will be related to a theme. See the QR code for the link to our website
- Give and seek support around exam season, monitor changes in behaviour.
- Enforce good routines and habits, sleep patterns, usage of technology and good nutrition and hydration.



Contacts



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This will contact all 3 year team members

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