
Huish Sixth

Yr 13 Information Evening

Wednesday 27th September 2023



Huish Episcopi Academy

The best in everyone™

Part of United Learning

Sixth form staff

Principal: Katie Boyes

Link SLT: Vice Principal Richard Vaughan

Head of Year 12: Emily Boarder

Head of Year 13: Jude Edwards

Careers/progression: Emma Higman

Year 13 form tutors:

CB: Chris Beech (previous tutor EB)

RJ: Rachel Jones (previous tutor LAB/RJ)

MK: Michelle Kelsey

SN: Sarah Nias (previous tutor MR)



Who to contact

- Pastoral concerns through the tutor team:

tutor → head of year (JE) → link SLT (RV) → Principal (KB)

- Academic concerns through subject teams:

subject teacher → head of department → link SLT → Principal

office@hea.ac.uk will forward any emails to the appropriate member of staff

Absence:

Direct telephone: 01458 254434

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United Learning

- Part of a multi academy trust called United Learning
- 90+ schools across the UK
- One of the most successful in the country
- Cluster including 5 secondary schools, one primary and one 6th form



Benefits

- Specialist subject support
- Professional development
- Student excellence visits and trips
- Termly monitoring visits
- School to school support



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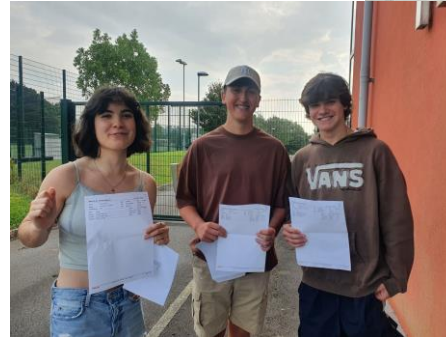
Results 2023

A* or D* - 10%

Average Grade A* - B: over 50%

3 x A* - C or D* - M: 65%

91% of our UCAS applicants were placed with their first or insurance choice university.



Key dates

Progress:

Friday 24th November: reviews

Tuesday 5th December: Parents' Evening with subject teachers

Wednesday 10th to Friday 19th January: mock exams (date change)

Friday 15th March: reviews

Summer term:

Monday 13th May: GCE exams start (BTEC and CNAT re-sits may be earlier)

Wednesday 26th June: Contingency day – all students must be available up to and including this date

Thursday 15th August: Results day



UCAS timeline

- 16th October: UCAS deadline for early entrants (Oxbridge, medicine, veterinary, dentistry)
- 24th November: Huish Sixth deadline for completed UCAS applications
- 31st January: UCAS application deadline (equal consideration)
- 28th February: Extra opens for applicants not holding any offers
- 5th July: Clearing opens
- 15th August: Receive decisions

Apprenticeship dates – Mrs Higman
will explain more about these



Student finance:

<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>

- Applications for 2024 starters will open in February – date tbc. The deadline to apply to guarantee you receive funding for the start of your course is tbc; last year it was May 19th.
- Deferred entry – apply next year.
- You do not need to have received all your offers or confirmed your place – complete the application and update it as necessary. You can also cancel your application if you change your mind.
- Remember to register on your course with your chosen university when you go or you won't receive your loans (universities will provide information on this).



Tuition fee loan:

- Paid directly to your university
- Usually £9250 (foundation degrees / part-time may vary)
- Everyone is eligible for the full loan



Maintenance loan:

- Paid into your student bank account, usually in 3 instalments – one at the start of each term.
- The amount you are eligible for depends on your taxable household income.
- The household is classed as where you usually live.
- The household income is the income of your parent(s) or one parent plus their partner living in the household, plus any independent source of income you have such as interest from savings, property etc.
- It does not include any money you will earn from work whilst you are away at university.
- The household will need to provide evidence of income



2023 amounts; 2024 not yet confirmed

MAINTENANCE LOAN ENTITLEMENT

| Household income | Maintenance Loan – living away from parental home and studying outside London | Maintenance Loan – living away from parental home and studying in London | Maintenance Loan – living at parental home |
|------------------|--|---|---|
| £25,000 | £9,978 | £13,022 | £8,400 |
| £30,000 | £9,265 | £12,297 | £7,694 |
| £40,000 | £7,839 | £10,845 | £6,282 |
| £50,000 | £6,412 | £9,394 | £4,689 |
| £65,000 | £4,651 | £7,217 | £3,698 |

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Martin Lewis – Money Saving Expert



The Martin Lewis Podcast

Uni costs to increase 50% – Everything you need to know

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p0fz54f9>



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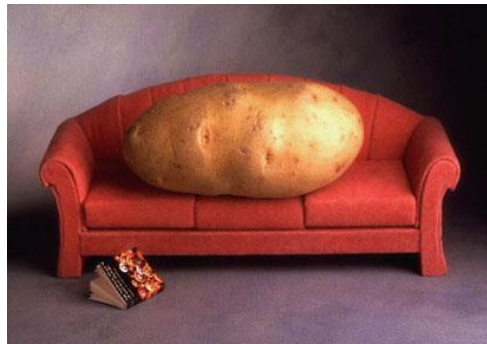
Year 13 Careers Guidance offer

- Emma Higman: Independent Careers Adviser
- Individual careers appointments (parents welcome/email contact)
- Year 13 Google Classroom – resources

emmahigman@hea.ac.uk

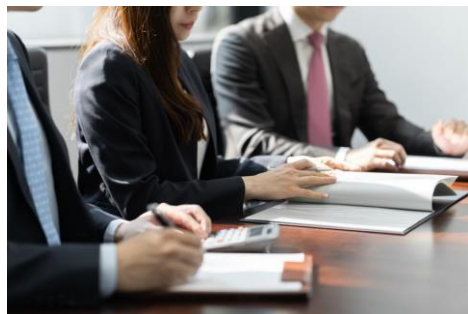


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Pathways Post-18

What is everyone planning to do next?
What support do you need?



Main options

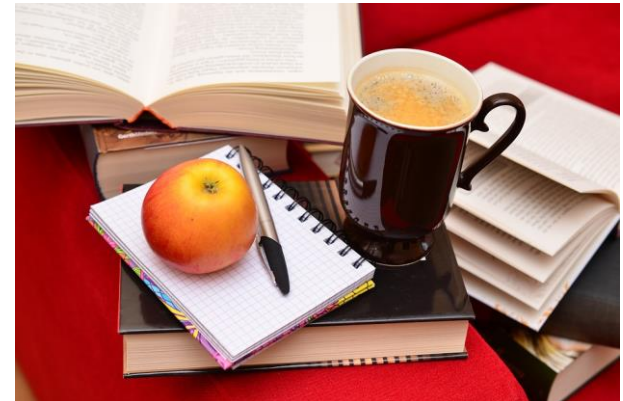
- Gap Year (deferred entry)
- Apprenticeships
- Employment
- Self employment/own business
- Education
- Do nothing

.....any other??



Education

- Lots of local options
- FE college offer degree courses/foundation degrees/HNC/HND
- On-line learning
- MOOCs
- Short courses
- Part time and full time options
- Opportunity to combine paid work with study



Apprenticeships

- Recruitment cycle starts early (Sept)
- Separate to UCAS
- Targeted applications
- Variation in recruitment strategies
- Time consuming
- Competitive – degree/higher

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Local degree opportunities (Level 6)

Building Services Engineering Apprenticeship

- QED ENGINEERING LTD
- (Added 01 Mar 2023 - 2 positions available)

Building Services Engineering Apprentice - a full time role with uni degree course at UWE commencing after 1 years successful employment. Learning the technical aspects of mechanical, electrical & public health engineering design and project management, as well as the use of design software. You will support the engineering team in producing design documents and drawings.

- Distance:** 11.3 miles [Journey time](#)
- Closing date:** 17 Apr 2023
- Possible start date:** 21 Aug 2023

Annual Salary: £16,000.00

Apprentice Chartered Accountant

- WESTCOTTS (SW) LLP
- (Added 14 Dec 2022 - 1 position available)

We are now looking for an apprentice Chartered Accountant to join our team. Training to become a Chartered Accountant is both rewarding and challenging and can open up a whole host of opportunities for you as many of our Directors and Partners started their career as a trainee with us and have stayed with us throughout their working life. Duties include: Preparing financial statements for limited companies partnerships and sole traders.

- Distance:** 19.1 miles [Journey time](#)
- Closing date:** 28 Jul 2023
- Possible start date:** 04 Sep 2023

Annual Salary: £20,000.00

Magnox Hinkley: Project Manager Apprenticeship (Level 6)

- Energus on behalf of Magnox Ltd
- The employer is registered as Disability Confident
- (Added 05 Feb 2023 - 1 position available)

Magnox is an exciting place to be, and this role is the perfect opportunity for you to be part of our challenging mission, to safely and successfully manage the UK's civil nuclear legacy on behalf of the nation. This project manager apprenticeship involves the delivery of complex decommissioning projects within the fleet of Magnox sites.

- Distance:** 17.8 miles [Journey time](#)
- Closing date:** 31 Mar 2023
- Possible start date:** 04 Sep 2023

Annual Salary: £18,644.00

Level 4 Apprenticeships (HNC)

Project Apprentice

- PORTAKABIN LIMITED
- (Added 6 days ago - 1 position available)

A fantastic opportunity for an apprentice to join our Bridgwater Hire and Service Centre. You will work as part of our project team to provide support and assistance with the co-ordination and implementation of projects within a variety of sectors including Education and Healthcare.

- Distance:** 10.3 miles [Journey time](#)
- Closing date:** 14 Apr 2023
- Possible start date:** 11 Sep 2023

Annual Salary: £17,000.00

Web Developer Apprentice

- Evo Agency Ltd
- (Added 3 days ago - 1 position available)

Evo are a leading e-commerce digital agency created in 2008. As we continue to grow we are looking to hire a talented PHP Developer to join the team. We're a technically-led digital agency and you will be working on a broad range of projects ranging from large e-commerce sites to completely bespoke web-based systems that transform businesses.

- Distance:** 11.7 miles [Journey time](#)
- Closing date:** 30 Mar 2023
- Possible start date:** 04 Sep 2023

Annual Salary: £10,296.00

Sales Executive Apprentice

- AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES UK LIMITED
- The employer is registered as Disability Confident
- (Added 20 Feb 2023 - 1 position available)

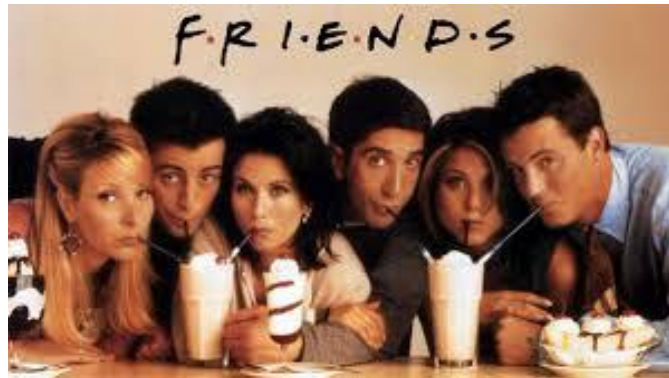
An exciting 18 month Sales Apprenticeship, where you'll be given a real job with responsibility, accountability and delegation. We are the heart of construction, transforming it into a more sustainable future and we are looking for you to be part of our movement to grow, innovate and develop together to create continuous value.

- Distance:** 18.8 miles [Journey time](#)
- Closing date:** 31 Mar 2023
- Possible start date:** 04 Sep 2023

Annual Salary: £20,000.00

Exam preparation & revision

- Use your independent study time
- You have to pay attention and eliminate distractions
- Eliminating distractions reduces the demands on your working memory, so that you learn more effectively



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Top tips

- White board
- Flash cards- ARKI
- Brain dump
- Past exam questions
- Self quizzing
- Spread out your revision

A study into revision methods

So what revision techniques are out there and which ones are the most effective? There's no easy answer to that second question, but there are studies which give us some clues.

Back in 2013 Prof John Dunlosky of Kent State University in the United States reviewed 1,000 scientific studies, looking at the ten most popular revision methods.



The most effective techniques

The study looked at ten different revision methods such as highlighting and underlining, re-reading notes and writing summaries. Prof Dunlosky and his team concluded that two of the methods tested came out on top.

Spreading study out over time

Spreading your revision out over a longer period of time proved to be very effective. So get started as early as you can with revision and avoid cramming in the days before an exam.

Self-testing

"Start by reading the text book, then make flash cards of the critical concepts and test yourself. A century of research has shown that repeated testing works."

Prof Dunlosky

The Pomodoro Technique

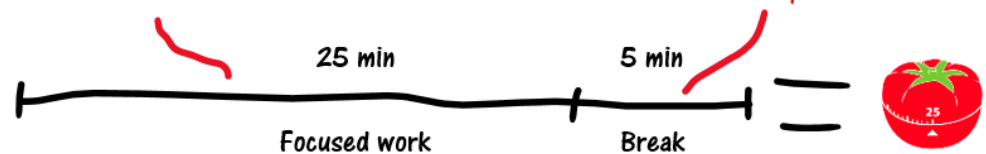
A method to balance focus with deliberate breaks

Depending on how long your task is, choose one:

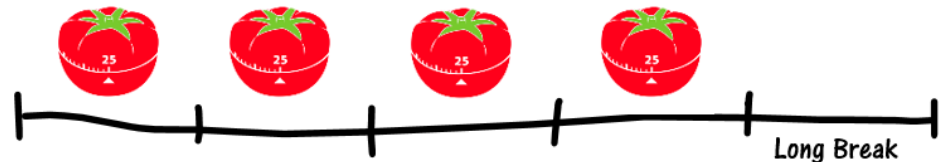
a) One pomodoro: 25 minutes + 5 minutes break

No distraction!

No sneaky work!



b) Complete 4 Pomodoros then take a longer break



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z9jn97h>



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Phones

You remember **20% less**
if you revise with your phone
near you.....even if it's off!!

Put it in another room



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Music

“But I revise well listening to music”....

Students who revise in quiet environments performed over 60% better than peers who revise listening to music that has lyrics

Your [working memory is limited](#), and any background noise is ‘cognitive overload’ and will make learning much harder.



Recreate the exam

- You sit the exam in silence, no music and no phone
- You have to revise in silence, with no music and no phone
- Create the same conditions as the exam or your memory will not work as well and you will be unable to recall your knowledge in as much detail



How to study for exams

**SCIENTIFICALLY PROVEN
TECHNIQUES**



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