

Transition and Support

Part of the support we offer to all our students lies in how we prepare you for the next stage of your academic career – whether that be moving from Year 11 to Year 12 or Year 12 to 13 or indeed Year 13 to the world beyond College.

Year 11 to 12: Each applicant will have an individual guidance meeting to establish their strengths and interests, before acceptance into the College.

In June/July, students are invited to attend a two-day induction where they will experience taster lessons in the subjects they are interested in and they will also be provided with transition tasks to complete over the summer term.

On Enrolment Day in August, students again have a one-to-one guidance meeting to ensure that they choose absolutely the right courses to suit their interest, capability and aspiration. Once they begin, enrichment activities ensure that they settle in as a productive team.

Year 12 to 13: The majority of students follow a 2-year, linear course in 3 A Level subjects or one technical subject.

Sixth formers participate in our comprehensive induction programme to ensure transition from Year 11 to 12 is smooth and enjoyable. A further education evening takes parents and students through the whole process of university applications, including financial ones, as well as apprenticeships. Students also have the opportunity to visit university open days in the summer term.

Year 13 to the Future: Students are provided with one-to-one guidance in making choices about their future and form tutors and Sixth Form staff support them closely with the writing of applications and student statements.

Our tutoring system, based on Salesian values, enables a positive and professional approach to pastoral care. On entering, each student is assigned a tutor charged with the pastoral care of students. Leaders of Learning also ensure the wellbeing of all within the year group and are a key point of contact for parents, together with the tutor