ASHLYNS SCHOOL



July 2025

Dear Student and Parent/Carer

Summer Work, Collection of GCSE results and beginning of term for Year 12

Thank you to those students who were able to attend our Induction Day on 30 June; the students' level of engagement throughout the day was a credit to them.

As previously communicated to students who currently attend Ashlyns, GCSE results will be ready for collection from 9.00am until 10.30am on Thursday 21 August, and will then be available from 11.00am on students' Arbor accounts. Members of the Sixth Form team will be available until midday to offer advice related to both Sixth Form study and college courses and will also be available on Friday 22 August from 9.00am until midday to offer further guidance, if required. At present, students have received a conditional offer for the Sixth Form based on their predicted grades. On results day we will confirm their conditional offer once the results have been released. Students will need to carefully read the letter in their results pack as this will direct them on next steps. Ashlyns students who are due to be away on results day will need to have emailed their permission for a nominated person to collect their results to exams@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk by Friday 18 July.

Students who have applied from another school to study at Ashlyns School Sixth Form will need to bring their results in to us between 11.30am and 1.00pm on results day to confirm their conditional offer and Sixth Form subject options. If they are away on results day they will need to arrange for someone to collect their results from their current school and email them to sixthform@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk by 11.30am. For external applicants who wish to change courses from those in their conditional offer, we would advise arriving at Ashlyns at 11.30am.

If students have not achieved the grades they require for the Sixth Form courses they have selected they will need to meet with a member of the Sixth Form team on Thursday 21 August (from 9.00am until midday). This meeting will allow us to support students in selecting more appropriate courses. For those students who have met the entry requirements for their subjects, there is no need for them to meet with us, however, should they wish to make any course changes they will need to make an appointment **on results day** to meet with a member of the Sixth Form Team on Friday 22 August.

Ahead of results day, if you have any queries about your application please email admissions@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk

As was discussed during the Induction Day, please follow this <u>link</u> to access summer work (which has been set by subject staff), the list of items students will need to buy to support them with their studies, and the transition day booklet (which includes the dress code). Students will need to use the password Summer25 to access the documents. There is a discretionary bursary available to support eligible students with specific costs. If you feel you may be eligible, please complete this <u>application form</u> and return to <u>jstringer@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk</u>.

The Autumn term begins for Year 12 on Tuesday 2 September at 8.35am, with an assembly in the main hall. Students will then spend time with their Form Tutor completing a series of transition tasks. The majority of students will then be free to go home following the collective break at 11.20am. A number of students will be asked to attend a meeting after the morning session to resolve any queries and will need to remain in school until that meeting has taken place. The students involved in these meetings will be contacted directly in advance of 2 September. Following their meeting, these students will be free to return home.

All Sixth Form lessons will begin on Wednesday 3 September, with registration at 8.35am. There will be a member of staff in the Sixth Form area to respond to any outstanding queries in relation to Sixth Form options in Year 12.

Finally, please see overleaf for a reminder of our Sixth Form dress code.

Wishing you all an enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely

Ms K Gaches Head of Sixth Form



Sixth Form Dress Code

Students who elect to join our outstanding Sixth Form are committing to adhere to our dress code.

Students should take pride in their appearance and wear clothing that is suitable for a formal, professional environment.

Students are given the independence to make choices about their clothing, but this must be in line with the compulsory elements of the dress code.

The leadership of our Sixth Formers is a real source of pride at Ashlyns; looking smart and professional is one way students are role models to their younger peers.

Suit

• Comprising a tailored jacket with either tailored trousers, a tailored skirt or tailored dress.

Worn with

- Shirt and tie, or blouse
- Smart black or brown shoes or smart ankle boots with a sensible heel. No other form of footwear may be worn
- Jumpers must have either a round neck or 'v' neck; cardigans may also be worn. Roll-neck
 jumpers must not be worn, as a blouse, or shirt and tie must be visible at all times.
 Hooded tops and sweatshirts must never be worn
- A Sixth Form lanyard must be worn and visible at all times.

Additional Information

- Only ear piercing is permitted (one earring in each lower earlobe); no other facial piercings are allowed
- Hair should be neat, a natural colour and not outrageous in style
- Garments made of stretch fabric, hooded tops, t-shirts, vest tops, jeans, jeggings, leggings, shorts/culottes or chinos must not be worn
- Denim and leather jackets/trousers/skirts must not be worn
- Mobile phones must not be used or visible around the school
- Earbuds/Headphones must not be used or visible around the school
- Coats must not be worn around the school.

A tailored jacket must be worn at all times and is a compulsory part of the Sixth Form dress code. Any student who breaches the school dress code can expect to be sent home to change.

For PE/Games, students are expected to wear appropriate sports attire; this does not need to be Ashlyns branded but must be in keeping with the school's dress code e.g. plain sports T shirts, leggings, tracksuit bottoms, or football style sports shorts (compression shorts are not permitted).