

MM/CC sixth form courses letter  
December 2010

F.A.O. Year 11

Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Sixth Form Courses September 2011**

I hope that by now you have had the opportunity to consider the range of courses available in the Sixth Form and are starting to reach a decision about the subjects your son/daughter would like to study.

All students who are considering joining the Sixth Form will be given the opportunity to have an informal interview with a senior teacher over the next month to discuss course options and their entry into the Sixth Form.

Please would you then return the form enclosed at the latest by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011 indicating the four subject choices. If a course does not attract sufficient interest then it will be withdrawn from the offer for 2011/2012. As these blocks have been drawn up on the basis of the students' initial subject choices, it is very unlikely that any changes will be made to the option blocks. However, if there is a particular subject combination to which you are very committed, then you can indicate this on your form, just in case there is any chance of minor alterations being made to the timetable.

The entry requirements for an Advanced Level programme are a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade C or above. It would be usual to expect a student to have a GCSE grade B or above in the subjects they wish to study at Advanced Level. As always at Sibford, individual needs, interests and circumstances will be taken into consideration.

There will, of course, be an opportunity for further advice and guidance through the year and after GCSE results in the summer, when students may of course review their option choices in the light of results. If you were unable to attend the Sixth Form Open Evening held in the autumn term, and have any queries, we are always pleased to help and can of course be contacted at the school.

We look forward to interviewing your son/daughter, and discussing their future plans. Thank you for returning the form promptly.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Newbold  
Director of Study

## Year 12 Option Blocks 2011/12 – February 2011

| A B                      |                                      | C                           | D                | E         |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Media                    | Drama<br><br>Physics<br><br>Business | French                      | Psychology       | Geography |
| English                  |                                      | Biology                     | Music            | History   |
| Maths                    |                                      | RS Philosophy<br>and Ethics | Further Maths AS | ICT       |
| Design and<br>Technology |                                      |                             | Art              | Chemistry |
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### Additional Courses

**Countryside and Environment:** An intermediate course, equivalent to 4 GCSEs and counts as 3 options.

**Hospitality:** An intermediate course, equivalent to 4 GCSEs and counts as 3 options.

**GCSE Mathematics and English:** Available for students on the Intermediate programme who need to re-take these Core GCSEs. It may be possible for students on an Advanced programme to joint these classes if the timetable permits.

**AS Extended Project:** This is a new AS level course which provides students with the opportunity to undertake a project of their own choice under the supervision and guidance of a tutor. It is well regarded by university admissions tutors as it develops independent learning, research and project management skills.

**Sports Leader:** An Intermediate level course that may be offered alongside Countryside and Environment or Hospitality if there is sufficient demand.



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Please complete and return this form to Andrew Newbold, indicating your 4 chosen courses, by  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011.**

Name: .....

Tutor Group: .....

| A B |  | C | D | E |
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Please indicate if you are interested in any of the Additional Courses:

Signed: .....

Date: .....