

## ***What are the entry criteria?***

Students applying to join Davenant Sixth Form, must have achieved a minimum of 5 GCSEs at A\*-C (or the equivalent 9-5) grades. We intend to offer a minimum of 60 places to students applying to us from other schools.

To be considered for a place, all applicants must:

- normally be predicted to achieve 5 or more A\*-C (or 9-5) grades at GCSE **including Mathematics and English**, however, as competition for places is so tough, successful candidates will normally be predicted to gain 8 or more good GCSEs
- expect to achieve the required entry grades for the specific A Level courses chosen
- by their current involvement, be able to demonstrate they are likely to benefit from Davenant's extra-curricular offer
- agree to respect Davenant's Christian ethos and an understanding of the part it plays in the life of the school

Applicants will be assessed with reference to all of the above criteria. Candidates who successfully meet all criteria will either be offered a place (conditional upon final results), or be invited to join our waiting list, depending on the overall quality of their application.

Unsuccessful candidates may appeal in writing to the Headteacher.

Application forms must be returned no later than **31 January 2017**.

## **School recommendation:**

The A Level is a demanding qualification. Nationally, the majority of students start out in Year 12 studying 3 A Levels, over a 2-year programme, competing in Year 13. In addition, we intend to offer students who are doing well in Year 12, the opportunity to undertake an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), which will be completed in Year 13. This is a qualification that is worth the equivalent of an AS Level, the focus of which is decided by the student themselves – they will be guided through the project by a teacher supervisor who will meet with them regularly.

All students are expected to complete the courses on which they enrol in September. Students must pass all Year 12 exams and gain at least an overall grade D, if they wish to progress to Year 13. They must also have had a minimum of 95% attendance in their lessons. Year 13 study begins in the last Half Term of Year 12.

## ***Some very important dates in 2017***

16, 23 & 30 Nov 2016	Options Consultation for External students
W/c 5 Dec 2016, 11 & 18 Jan 2017	Options Consultation for Year 11 (Davenant students)
Tuesday 31 January	Deadline for external student applications
Friday 10 February	Deadline for Davenant Year 11 student applications
Wednesday 26 April	Newcomers' Social event from 4.00-5.00pm
Thursday 6 July	Prospective Year 12 Orientation Day
Thursday 24 August	GCSE results may be collected from school between 10.00am - 1.00pm. Results not collected will be sent by post. (Davenant students only)

## **Sixth Form Enrolment**

**All students should enrol on Thursday 24 August from 10.00am – 3.00pm**

### *Clinic dates*

If you would like to speak to someone personally about your application, please contact the school and we will make arrangements for you to see a member of staff. This is not an interview.

Please contact Mrs Buck on 020 8508 0404 or email [ellen.buck@davenant.org](mailto:ellen.buck@davenant.org) to arrange an appointment.