

19th September 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

It's great to have our Year 11 students back for their final and most important year at Marshland High School. As Assistant Head, my primary goal is to ensure every student is fully prepared to achieve their potential in their GCSE exams and is ready for the next stage of their education. I am looking forward to working with you and your child throughout this demanding but exciting year.

Key Dates and Opportunities

To help you and your child plan for the year ahead, I have included a list of important dates, including exams, parents' evenings, and sixth-form and college open days. You can also find a comprehensive list on our school website.

Highlighted below are upcoming opportunities for your child to explore their post-16 options:

- **Springwood High School Sixth Form Open Evening:** Thursday 9th October 2025
- **College of West Anglia Open Evenings:** Wednesday 15th and Saturday 18th October 2025

Some providers may require you to book a slot, so please check their websites for more details. We strongly encourage you and your child to visit these events, ask questions, explore the courses they offer.

It is important that your child applies for their chosen courses as soon as possible, either directly through the provider's website or via the **Help You Choose** service. Many popular courses, especially in trades, fill up quickly, and we don't want your child to miss out on their first choice. They can now apply for multiple courses and confirm their final selection once they receive their GCSE results in August 2026.

Intervention and Support

To help students reach their full potential, we have created a targeted intervention plan. This is designed to provide extra support for students who may need it, whether due to gaps in their knowledge, or concerns about meeting end-of-course predictions.

Students will be identified for these sessions by their teachers and will be required to attend one of the following:

- **After-school sessions:** 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
- **Saturday sessions:** 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. for English and Maths
- **Holiday sessions:** During half-terms and the Easter break

Your child's attendance at these sessions is mandatory if they are identified as needing additional support.

Pre-Public Exams

Your child has already been given a paper copy of the mock exam (PPE) timetable by their form tutor. PPEs begin on **Monday 29th September 2025**. We will be working with students in their form groups to teach them a variety of revision techniques so they can find the best methods to prepare. We would appreciate you talking to your child about how they plan to prepare for these important exams.

Contact and Support

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher or Head of Department in the first instance. Further information about the intervention programme can also be found on our school website - <https://www.marshlandhigh.co.uk/key-stage-4-step-up-to-gcse>.

We sent out a request for you to consent to your child's name appearing on the Leavers Hoodie. Thank you to all those that have already provided consent. If you are yet to do so, please follow the link. <https://forms.gle/Y9r3xUijsizeQLrTW7>. There is no obligation to buy, this is just for your child's name to appear in the overall design.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a successful final year for all our students.

Yours faithfully,

Mr C Teanby

Assistant Head i/c Key Stage 4

Year 11 Key Dates 2025-26

(Please note that dates will be added to this throughout the year)

Date	Event
Monday 8 th – 12 th September	Impact week during form time
Monday 29 th September - 17 th October	Year 11 PPE exams 1
Thursday 9 th October	Springwood open evening
Wednesday 15 th October	College of West Anglia - A Level Open Evening - 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Saturday 18 th October	College of West Anglia – King's Lynn & Sports Campus - 9am – 12.30pm
Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	Half term intervention
Wednesday 6 th November	Super Learning Day
Friday 7 th November	Yr11 Photos – Individual and Year group
Wednesday 12 th November	College of West Anglia - Open Evening - 5pm – 8pm
Wednesday 19 th November	Year 11 reports issued
Saturday 22 nd November	College of West Anglia – Wisbech Campus - 9am – 12.30pm
Friday 28 th November	Post 16 application deadline
Wednesday 3 rd December	Year 11 Parents Evening
Monday 12 th – 16 th January	Impact week during form time
Monday 19 th January – Friday 23 rd January	MfL Speaking PPEs
Monday 2 nd - 27 th February	Year 11 PPE exams 2 & Practical and MfL exams
Monday 16 th – 20 th February	Half term intervention
Monday 3 rd March – 7 th Friday March	English Speaking Exam
Tuesday 24 th March	Year 11 reports issued
Thursday 26 th March	Year 11 Parents Evening
Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April	Easter intervention
Monday 20 th April – 24 th April	GCSE MfL Speaking exams
Thursday 7 th May	GCSE Exams begin in the Sports Hall
Friday 19 th June	Year 11 Prom

Year 11 PPE's - October 2025

Date	9.00am	Break Time	Lunchtime	1.00pm	Date	9.00am	Break Time	Lunchtime	1.00pm	Date	9.00am	Break Time	Lunchtime	1.00pm
Monday 29th Sept	GCSE Maths Paper 1 1hr 30 150 Students		Early Lunch	GCSE French Listening (45 Mins F, 60 Mins H) 49 Students GCSE Spanish Reading (45 Mins F, 60 Mins H) 55 Students	Monday 6th October	GCSE English Literature Paper 1 - June 24 1hr 45 150 Students	Late Break for Extra Time Students	Early Lunch	GCSE Film Studies Component 2 1hr 30 51 Students	Monday 14th October	Art, Photography, 3D Design, Food Practicals			
Tuesday 30th Sept	GCSE Biology 1hr 45/ 145 Students Combined Science - Biology 1hr 15/ 118 (30 H, 116 x F)	Late Break for Extra Time Students	Early Lunch	GCSE French Reading (45 Mins F, 60 Mins H) 49 Students GCSE Spanish Listening (45 Mins F, 60 Mins H) 55 Students	Tuesday 7th October	GCSE Maths Paper 3 1hr 30 150 Students		Early Lunch	GCSE Comp Science - Paper 2 1hr 30/ 17 Students GCSE PE 1hr 15/ 45 Students	Tuesday 15th October	Art, Photography, 3D Design, Food Practicals			
Wednesday 1st October	GCSE English Language Paper 1 - June 24 1hr 45 160 Students	Late Break for Extra Time Students	Early Lunch	GCSE Business J204/01 1hr 30 110 Students	Wednesday 8th October	GCSE Physics 1hr 45/ 30 Students Combined Science - Physics 1hr 15/ 118 (30 H, 116 x F)	Late Break for Extra Time Students	Early Lunch	GCSE Business J204/02 1hr 30 110 Students	Wednesday 16th October	Art, Photography, 3D Design, Food Practicals			
Thursday 2nd October	GCSE Maths Paper 2 1hr 30 150 Students		Early Lunch	GCSE History Weimar & Nazi Germany 1hr 30 83 Students	Thursday 9th October	GCSE French Writing 1hr 15 - F, 1hr 20 - H 49 Students GCSE Spanish Writing 1hr 15 - F, 1hr 20 - H 55 Students		Early Lunch	GCSE Geography Paper 1 1hr 30 97 Students	Thursday 17th October	Art, Photography, 3D Design, Food Practicals			
Friday 3rd October	GCSE Chemistry 1hr 45/ 30 Students Combined Science - Chemistry 1hr 15/ 118 (30 H, 116 x F)	Late Break for Extra Time Students	Early Lunch	GCSE PE 1hr 30/ 41 Students GCSE Citizenship - 1 1hr 45/16 Students GCSE Comp Science - Paper 1 1hr 30/16 Students	Friday 10th October	GCSE Food Preparation 1hr 45/ 13 Students GCSE Citizenship - 2 45 Mins/ 16 Students	Late Break for Extra Time Students	Early Lunch	GCSE History Crime & Punishment 1hr 20 mins 83 Students	Friday 18th October	Art, Photography, 3D Design, Food Practicals			

Intervention Plan 2025-26

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Lunchtime	Lunchtime	Lunchtime	Lunchtime	Lunchtime	
Geography	Geography	French	Geography (Week B only)	Art Clinic	English 8-10am
Miss Cardoso	Mrs Brassett	Mrs Asquith Wk A - Mrs Curtis Wk B	Miss Cardoso	Mrs Harris	English Team
H8	H5	L2	H8	D6	Humanities Block
Citizenship		Film Studies Coursework	Business	3D Design	Maths 8-11am
Ms Benson		Mr Hudson	Mr Hambricht	Mrs Swinburn	Tutors
H7		D3	D6	D1	Maths Block
		Spanish	Art Clinic		
		Miss Curtis	Mrs Harris		
		L3	D6		
		GCSE PE			
		Mrs Beck			
		CS1			
		Computer Science			
		Mr Thorn			
		CS2			
After School	After School	After School	After School	After School	
Geography	Maths	Science	English	Film Studies	
Miss Cardoso	Maths Team	Science Team	English Team	Mr Hudson	
H8	M1-M5	Foundation S5 - Higher/Triple S6	E1-E6	D3	
3D Design	History	Geography	History	Computer Science	
Mrs Swinburn	History Team	Mr Moore	History Team	Mr Thorn	
D1	H2 & H3	H6	Online (6.15-6.45pm)	CS2	
	Geography	Citizenship	Nutrition		
	Mrs Brassett	Ms Benson	Mr Goddard		
	H5	H7	D4		
		Art			
		Mrs Harris			
		D6			
		Photography			
		Miss Welch / Mrs Norman			
		D3/D8			