# A day in the Sixth Form

#### The Sixth Form Timetable

On the first day, all students are issued with their personal timetable, school email and computer network account, and access details for Microsoft Teams. Parents/carers can access their child's timetable via My School Portal.

Names of teachers are given on timetables and everyone is called by their first name - staff and students alike. The school runs on a two-weekly timetable with a different timetable for Week A and a Week B.

Students are expected to attend all timetabled lessons and utilise independent study sessions to support their learning. All sessions – Period 1 to 5 – should be used as part of study or enrichment activities. Here is an overall outline of the Sixth Form day for students from Year 12 (Lower Sixth)) to Year 13 (Upper Sixth) for general information.

8.30am	School Day Begins	
8.30 - 9.10am Monday and Wednesday	Registration in the Sixth Form Centre followed by Morning Talk	
8.30 - 9.10am Tuesday, Thursday and Friday	Registration in the Sixth Form Centre followed by Tutorial in Tutor Group Room	
9.00 - 10.00am	Period 1 (9.10 to 10.10am on Monday and Friday)	
10.00 - 10.30am	Little Break (10.10 to 10.30am on Monday and Friday)	
10.30 - 11.30am	Period 2	
11.40 - 12.40pm	Period 3	
12.40 - 1.40pm	Lunch	
1.40 - 2.45pm	Period 4	
2.55 - 3.55pm	Period 5	
3.55pm	School Day Ends	
3.55pm onwards	After School Activities	





## StChris

#### **Morning Talks**

Morning Talks, the St Chris name for an Assembly, take place twice a week for Sixth Form. Sixth Formers join the Whole School Morning Talk every Monday, and have a dedicated Sixth Form Morning Talk each Wednesday.

Attendance at Morning Talks on Monday and Wednesday is compulsory.

Morning Talks take place in the School Theatre and are an opportunity to come together as a community. There is a rolling programme of visiting speakers and they also provide an excellent opportunity for music and performance – both as a collective and in smaller groups. Morning Talks also include a period of silence, a tradition which has long been held at the School, which gives students and staff alike the time and space to think about what they have heard in the context of their own life and that of the wider community.

You will be invited to participate in Sixth Form Morning Talks and have input into the subjects covered. In the past, students have delivered Morning Talks both in groups and individually – to the great benefit of all.

There is an additional Whole School Morning Talk on a Friday which is not compulsory for Sixth Form students, however you should review the topic list and feel free to attend any that you would like to.

#### **Morning Registration**

Registration is a compulsory part of the Sixth Form day. All Sixth Form students must be in school to register by 8.30am each morning. Students register in the Sixth Form Centre using their Identity Card on our tap in/tap out system. Students will be shown how to use this system during the Sixth Form Conference.

On Monday and Wednesday students then attend Morning Talk in the Theatre.

On Tuesday, Thursday and Friday they then have time with their Tutor Groups or one to one mentoring.

Students are then registered for each lesson at the start of the lesson by the teacher.

#### **Afternoon Registration**

Students also need to register each afternoon, after lunch.

Registration takes place at the start of Period 4 (1.40pm) in the lesson.

#### Leaving Site

Sixth Form students are allowed off-site during the lunch hour (12.40pm-1.40pm) but must return on time and ready for the start of Period 4 (1.40pm). When leaving site it is essential that students sign out and then back in again in the Sixth Form Centre.

During the first term of Year 12 (September to December), students are required to be on the school site for the whole duration of the day i.e. from 8.30am until 3.55pm.

From the January of Year 12 students, are allowed to leave school at the end of Period 4 (2.45pm) if they have no lesson in Period 5, for the purpose of self-supported study, again remembering to sign out from the Sixth Form Centre. Otherwise, all Sixth Form students are expected to be on site throughout the school day to study, get support or complete other school activities.

#### **Breaks**

There are two breaks during the school day: Little Break from 10.00 to 10.30am and Lunch Break from 12.40 to 1.40pm. During Little Break students are welcome to bring their own snacks, which should be vegetarian, and nut and sesame-free.

#### Year Groups

St Chris has its own historical names for year groups which you will soon get to know when you join the school.

Key Stage	Standard Name	St Chris Name
Key Stage 3	Year 7	I Group
	Year 8	II Group
	Year 9	III Group
Key Stage 4	Year 10	IV Group
	Year 11	V Group
Key Stage 5	Year 12	Lower Sixth
	Year 13	Upper Sixth

### Food at St Chris

#### Lunchtime

The lunch period lasts one hour from 12.40 to 1.40pm. Students eat lunch together in the Dining Hall, known as the IG (because many years ago it was used as an Indoor Gym!) and different year groups take it in turns to go into lunch first; the order can be checked on a list in the Courtyard.

For those students who choose to eat school lunch, we enjoy fresh, tasty vegetarian food. Every day there are two hot choices and a salad bar. There is also a pudding and fruit. Weekly menus can be found on My School Portal. Each Company takes it in turn, once a term, to help with clearing and tidying the Dining Hall (IG) after lunch.

Please let us know, via the Admissions Team, of any allergies or intolerances that your child may have.

#### **Packed Lunches**

Students are welcome to bring a nut-free, sesame-free vegetarian packed lunch. This can be eaten in the Dining Hall (IG) or in the next-door Social Library picnic area.

Parents should email the Finance Office before the start of each term to let us know if a student does not require school lunches as these are billed for in advance each term: billings@stchris.co.uk.





