

## Senior Boys

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**MERCHANT  
TAYLORS'  
SCHOOLS**

For Boys and Girls  
aged 4 to 18 years

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of boys in Year 10,

I hope that your son's examinations are progressing well and that you are looking forward to a restful half term.

When boys in Year 10 return to School following the holiday, on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June, we are giving them an opportunity to sample life in the Sixth Form. This is the ideal time of year to do this – their examinations are over and there is some slack in the timetable as a result of Years 11 and 13 being on study leave.

The main intention of the Sixth Form Taster Days is to let boys find out about what it is like to study in the Sixth Form at Merchant Taylors'. To that end, we are offering them the chance to experience lessons in a minimum of four subject areas. Boys can select which subjects they would like to sample and staff will put on Sixth Form style lessons and activities. In addition, there will be a session on Monday afternoon where all boys come together and discuss life in the Sixth Form, UCAS & Higher Education, Careers and the Extended Project Qualification.

During the taster days boys may, if they wish, wear Sixth Form dress. You don't have to go out and buy him a suit but if he has one and he would like to wear it, that is fine. Boys may wear smart trousers, a plain pastel shirt and a tie of their choosing. Of course, if they would feel more comfortable, they may wear their usual School uniform.

Over the course of the two days, boys will have access to the Sixth Form Centre. They may also have some free periods in their schedule. Unless you inform your son's Form Tutor that you do not want this to happen, he may visit the local Tesco supermarket at lunchtime.

The subjects on offer are shown in the table overleaf. Boys must choose at least eight periods-worth of lessons (four doubles or the equivalent). There is a first and second choice to give us a little more flexibility in timetabling. There will also be a limit on the size of some of the groups (in the sciences for example) for health and safety purposes. Boys will return to normal lessons on Tuesday afternoon (Games).

We hope that this will be a useful exercise, giving boys a taste of the difference between GCSE and A Level and also of what it will be like to be a member of the Sixth Form here. I am sure that there will be further discussions at our Sixth Form Open Evening, which takes place in the Williams Hall on 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Yours sincerely,

Deiniol Williams,  
Deputy Head Pastoral.

Monday 1&2	Geography	History	Music	Drama
	Maths	Spanish		
Monday 3&4	Art	Biology	Chemistry	Economics
	Latin	Computer Science	Geography	
Monday 5	German (&p4)	English Lit (&p4)	English Language	Spanish
	History (&p4)	Maths (&p4)		
Monday 6	French	German	Politics	Physics
	Economics			
Monday 7&8	Careers / UCAS / Life in the Sixth Form/EPQ			
Tuesday 1&2	Spanish	Physics	Classical Civilisations	Politics
	PE	Biology	Economics	Computer Science
	Music	Maths	French	
Tuesday 3&4	Chemistry	DT	Economics	English Language
	English Literature	Philosophy		
Tuesday 5	English Language	DT		