

Croeso i Ysgol Olchfa

Year 12 Information Evening



THE TEAM

Form Tutors

Mrs Carroll

Mr Devany

Mrs Finselbach

Mrs Purton

Ms Patel

Mrs Brett-Harris

Mr Humphris

Mr Kovacevic

Mr Francis

Mrs Scordino



PASTORAL SUPPORT

LEARNING LEADER

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PASTORAL GUIDANCE
WORKER

FORM TUTOR

PUPIL WELFARE OFFICER

SENIOR PASTORAL GUIDANCE
WORKER & SAFEGUARDING
LEAD



MS C. HOWELLS
PASTORAL GUIDANCE
WORKER

FACILITIES



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FIFA approved 3G pitch

Installed in October 2023 with floodlights.

Hugely popular with the local community.



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Recently refurbished with an extensive range of equipment.

This can be used during free periods.



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The Best Parts!

1. New friends
2. Social life
3. Driving
4. Subjects you love
5. 'Frees'
6. More independence
7. Treated like an adult*
8. Opportunities



Be Warned

1. Time flies
2. Like GCSE, every lesson counts
3. Free periods must be carefully managed
4. Work is more demanding
5. More homework and independent study
6. Stress?



SEREN ACADEMY

The Seren Academy is a fully funded programme to support the aspirations and ambitions of the most able learners, helping to widen their horizons, develop a passion for their chosen field of study, and reach their academic potential. The Seren Academy is available to years 8 to 13 learners from state schools and further education colleges across Wales who have been identified by their institution as meeting the eligibility criteria.



ENHANCED RESPONSIBILITY

Sixth form pupils are all issued with a lanyard and are allowed to go off-site during the school day.

We have an on-site cafe in our central block, exclusive to sixth form pupils.

It is important that you use your time wisely.



How much extra study should I be doing?

4–5 hours per subject per week outside of lessons.

15 hours per week

Study Timetable - Example

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4:00 - 4:25	Psychology	Welsh Bacc	Psychology	English	Psychology
4:30 - 4:55	Media Studies	English	Football Training	Media Studies	Welsh Bacc
5:00 - 5:25	English	Media Studies	Football Training	Psychology	Media Studies
5:30 - 6:00	Welsh Bacc	Psychology	Football Training	Welsh Bacc	Guitar lesson
6:00 - 10:00	Relaxation and Exercise				

Remember

‘We are still a school’

Key Dates

- 22 September - Estyn Inspection
- 5th November - Form Tutor Reports
- 13th November - Sixth Form Open Evening
- 24th November - AS and A2 Mock exams begin
- 16th December - Christmas Carol Service
- 17th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day
- 12th January - Predicted Grades Released
- 22nd January - Year 12 Parents' Evening
- 2nd February - Year 12 Review Meetings
- 9th March - School Production
- 11th May - AS level exams begin (study leave TBC)
- 15th June - Return to lessons
- 29th June - Skills Week
- 10th July - Sports Day
- 15th - 16th July - Experiences

Attendance and punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality is essential in Year 12

All pupils should be in their form room by **8:35am each morning**.

Pupils who are late more than once in a week without a valid reason will be sanctioned the following week with an after school callback.

There is a strong link between good school attendance and achieving good results.

Year 12 students have 120 hours per subject over the course of the year.

90% attendance would mean missing 24 of those hours per subject.



Uniform

We are asking for your support in reinforcing our uniform policy. Pupils are expected to wear the sixth form polo shirt, hoodie and plain black trousers/ skirt and shoes. If you have any issues with purchasing uniform from our suppliers, please let us know.



Pastoral Care at Olchfa and Advice for Parents / Carers

What can I do to support my teenager's
emotional health and wellbeing?

Hannah Vincent



COMMUNICATION & CLASS CHARTS

If you have any concerns or questions at any point in the academic year, whether they are academic or pastoral, please contact the school. We have a range of ways to support pupils socially, academically and emotionally and we will do our best to help or put you in touch with specialist support.

The best way to contact us is through email on:

jpt@olchfa.org.uk Mrs Jan Platt Key Stage Manager

The school has moved over to CLASS CHARTS to communicate with parents and carers regarding homework and behaviour. Details about signing up to Class Charts will be issued shortly.

If you need support with this please let us know.