

# **GCSE / AS / A2 Easter Revision Course**

**7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

- **Course Organisation**

The Revision Course offers a full range of GCSE, AS and A2 subjects over a 5 day period. Students can take up to two subjects on a residential or non residential basis. The central aim of the Course is to give students an opportunity to develop their confidence, motivation and examination performance in a highly supportive and friendly environment.

Each subject is taught in small groups (maximum ten but often smaller) and tutors are experienced and in many cases are, or have been, examiners. Tutors concentrate on core features and areas of difficulty in each subject. Particular attention is paid to conceptual understanding, problem-solving skills, recall ability and examination technique. Groups are small so progress is monitored very much on an individual basis. Each subject is revised in depth and teaching is fully integrated with examination practice.

Tutors concentrate on problem areas highlighted by each student before the Course and at the end of the Course parents are sent a tutor report outlining progress and areas that need consolidating.

Tuition is supplemented with a range of optional extra curricular activities to ensure a highly enjoyable and productive week.

## **Programme of Study**

### **Outline of the week**

- Each subject runs for 2 ½ days:  
Mon am – Wed am  
Wed pm – Fri pm
- It is therefore possible for each student to take two subjects, although they can just take one.
- Each subject is allocated a total of 15 hours intensive tuition and up to 3 hours of independent study.

### **Outline of the day**

08:00	Breakfast (residential only)
08:45	Tuition
10:15	BREAK
10:45	Tuition
12:15	LUNCH
13:00	Tuition
14:30	BREAK
15:00	Tuition
16:30	Optional extra curricular activities
18:00	Non residential students depart
18:30	Supper (residential only)
19:30	Study time / optional activities

- Accommodation is available to residential students on the Sunday night.
- On Friday all pupils depart after lessons at 16:30 hours.

- **Subjects normally offered**

Biology  
Business studies  
History  
Combined Science  
Economics  
English language  
English Literature  
French  
Geography  
German  
Chemistry  
Latin  
Mathematics  
Physical Education  
Physics  
Psychology  
Religious Studies  
Spanish

Please note that places on each Course are limited and will be given on a first come, first served basis.

Early booking is strongly advised. Other subjects may be available (please contact the Course Administrator).

All subjects are offered on a provisional basis and may be withdrawn if demand is low.

- **Evening seminar on study skills**

Examination success is very much dependent on the way in which students work and the strategies that they use to revise. We therefore offer to both residential and non residential students an optional two hour evening seminar which focuses on topics such as time management, planning, revision technique and learning strategies.

- **Recreation**

Students have access to the large on-site 6<sup>th</sup> Form Centre where they can relax, socialise and enjoy refreshments between tuition sessions.

After the revision session in the afternoon students are able to take part in optional extra curricular activities on offer.

These include use of the modern 25m indoor swimming pool, fully equipped gym, tennis, squash, badminton and supervised sports such as football, basketball and rounders.

Students also have access to ICT suites, study rooms and the library.

- **Accommodation**

The school prides itself on its high standards of accommodation and care.

Residential students are allocated study bedrooms in one of the separate boys and girls' boarding houses on site.

Each boarding house is supervised by members of staff who are responsible for the pastoral care of his/her students. The members of staff ensure that each student has settled in, has met other students and feels happy and relaxed.

The bedrooms are comfortable, buildings secure and there is a telephone and email access.

Breakfast is continental or cooked, and lunch and supper offer either a choice of hot food and /or a buffet salad bar.

- **How to contact us and apply**

All contact information is on the back page of the folder. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch. If you would like to apply then please fill in the enclosed application form and send it, together with a deposit of £100, to the Course Administrator.

It would be helpful if you could complete the form in as much detail as possible so that we can ensure you receive maximum benefit from the Course.

Once we receive your application form, you will be sent an acknowledgement of receipt and arrangements will be made for your tuition programme.

Further information will be sent nearer the time.

We very much look forward to hearing from you.

- **Contact**

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