

JESMOND PARK ACADEMY SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING 2019



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Purpose of the evening:

- **To provide information about options after Yr11**
- **To help students make an informed choice**
- **To help equip students with the skills they need to succeed**

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Structure

- **Director of Sixth Form**
- **Deputy Director of Sixth Form**
- **Sixth Form Tutors**

Communication and support

- **Regular contact with home**
- **Reports/Grade Cards**
- **Study Support and Sixth Form Library**
- **Support for progress and progression**

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How is Sixth Form different?

- Support structure
- You study more specialised subjects
- You will study fewer subjects
- You need to develop more independence
- You will be treated in a more adult way and expected to take more responsibility for your own learning
- Sixth Form area, library and bistro

What our students say:

- “I like the supportive environment in the Sixth Form.” *Daniel*

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A Levels

Art	Product Design
Biology	History
Business Studies	Maths
Chemistry	Further Maths
Computing	Media Studies
Drama	Music
Economics	PE
English Language	Physics
English Literature	Psychology
French	Sociology
Film Studies	Spanish
Geography	

BTEC:
ICT
IT and Media
Business studies
Science
Health & Social Care

NOTE:
You will need 4 in Maths
and English GCSE.
You will have to resit them
in Sixth Form if you do not
achieve these grades

EPQ- Extended
Project
Qualification
Project

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Making choices

- **A-Levels** are the traditional qualifications that are offered by schools and colleges for students aged between 16 and 19.
- A-levels come after GCSEs. They have a very academic focus. They are assessed by examination at the end of two years.
- A-levels are very highly valued by employers and universities so they can open up lots of doors to further study and careers.

- **BTECs** are vocational qualifications, rather than traditional academic courses, with typical subjects offered at BTEC level including Business Studies and Information Technology – you can't study subjects like History or English at BTEC level.
- One of the main differences between BTECs and A-Levels is the way both are assessed. A-Levels mainly involve two years of study geared towards a few big exams at the end, whereas BTECs are continually assessed via coursework and practical projects. However - BTECs at Level 3 still have exams!!

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- **Jesmond Park Academy - A very good Sixth Form**
- **Students are happy and supported**
- **Students achieve well-better than most city schools and better than college.**
- **Students go to the University or apprenticeship of their choice.**
- **Class sizes- average size in Yr 12 is 17. Average size in Yr 13 is 12.**

What our students say:

- **“Throughout the Sixth Form I have felt a kind, yet reassuring support from the Sixth Form Tutors. They have provided me with a great deal of help.”
Eddie**

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Jesmond Park Academy - Results 2018

- **Strong set of results at A level - Pass rate 99%.**
- **A Level Students achieving A Levels at grades AAB or higher in at least 2 "facilitating subjects" - 23%**
- **Average Grade at BTEC is Merit**
- **Progress grade- for A Level 0.42; for BTEC 0.25**
- **Strong results in GCSE Maths and English resit**
- **Students got into Universities of their choice, including Oxford, Durham, Bristol, Sheffield, Manchester, Edinburgh.**
- **70% of Students got into their first choice University**
- **84% acceptance rate**

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School or college name	Type of school or college	Number of students with an A level exam entry	Progress score & description	Average result		Students completing their main study programme	Achieving AAB or higher in at least 2 facilitating subjects	Grade and points for a student's best 3 A levels
				Grade	Point score			
Heaton Manor School Remove	Maintained School	198	Above average 0.16	C	30.43	98.1% (158 students enrolled)	18.9% (127 students)	C+ 34.01 (129 students)

2018

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			Grade	Point score		
Heaton Manor School	153	Well above average 0.35	C+	31.82	13.8% (109 students)	C+ 34.23 (112 students)

2019

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			Grade	Point score		
Heaton Manor School	158	Well above average 0.42	C+	34.51	22.9% (96 students)	B- 36.08 (96 students)

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Jesmond Park Academy - Destinations 2019

- Vast majority go on to Higher Education to study a range of courses (including Medicine, Dentistry and Oxford University)
- Apprenticeships
- Really effective support for University and Apprenticeships

What our students say:

- “Choosing HMS Sixth Form was an easy decision to make. What is hard is choosing a University. Thankfully, the support of the Sixth Form Team has been really helpful. I’ve been getting offers from Universities already!” Aufa

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SIXTH FORM OPPORTUNITIES

- Volunteering
- Peer Mentoring
- Sports Leaders Award
- EPQ
- Sixth Form magazine
- Reece Scholarships
- Sixth Form Leavers' Ball
- National Citizenship Service
- Debating society
- Supporting students in KS3 and KS4
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Charity fundraising
- Educational visits
- World Challenge
- Work Experience
- School sport

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What parents say...

- **98% feel their child is happy at Jesmond Park Academy**
- **97% feel their child makes good progress at Jesmond Park Academy**
- **100% feel their child is well taught at Jesmond Park Academy**
- **95% feel their child receives appropriate homework**
- **86% feel Jesmond Park Academy shares valuable information about their child's progress**

(based on parental questionnaire- Year 13 parents' evening October 2019)

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What happens next:

- Initial 1:1 discussions with Sixth Form Staff in January
- Follow up discussions February/March
- Sixth Form taster sessions in Summer
- GCSE Results August 2020
- Advice and enrolment on GCSE results day and the following day

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Make the most of the evening:

- Prospectus
- Talk to staff, teachers, school management
- Subject stalls on First floor
- Subject presentations in classrooms
- Sixth Form Tutors (in restaurant)
- Talk to students - honest advice!!
- Make sure you are fully informed