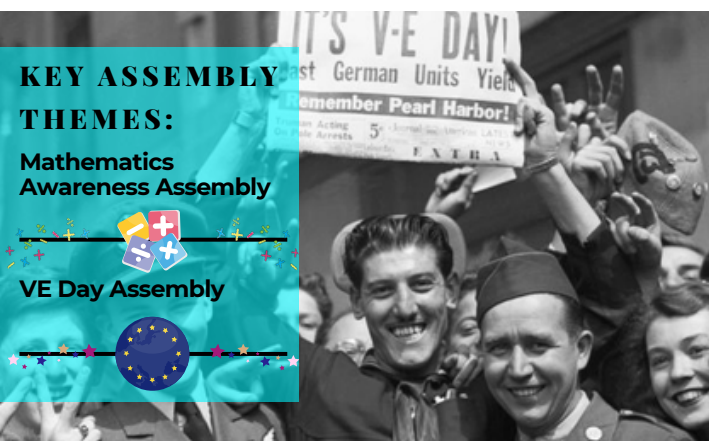




SIXTH FORM

THE WESTGATE SCHOOL
APRIL EDITION 2023



KEY ASSEMBLY THEMES:
Mathematics
Awareness Assembly
VE Day Assembly

Ramadan Kareem to all celebrating and Eid Mubarak when it finally arrives!

SIXTH FORM TRIPS

Work Experience Week

"A group of Year 12 students have been out on work experience this week, gaining insight into different careers and developing invaluable skills for their future. We have already been contacted by several employers to tell us how impressed they are by our students, and we are very proud!" - Miss Richards



A massive well done to our students who have gone above and beyond to make the most of this lucky experience!

IMPORTANT DATES:

ALL

- 3rd April – 14th April 2023: **Easter Holiday**
- 18th April 2023: **Year 12 and 13 Theatre Trip**



YEAR 12

- 17th April 2023: **Year 12 Westminster Trip**



YEAR 13

- 24th April – 26th April 2023: **Year 13 ART EXAMINATION**



Year 12 UCB Trip

Some of our Year 12 scientists attended an Insight work experience day at UCB, a global biopharma company that is based here in Slough and is one of the UK's biggest employers. The day-long event allowed the students to meet and network with a variety of professionals within the biopharmaceutical, research science and chemical sector. They were given a tour of the site, including the labs where cutting edge research into neurological and immunological conditions happens. Additionally, they also undertook an industry project, working alongside students from other schools across Slough. There was an opportunity to learn about the pathways open to them and gain some useful recruitment top tips.



TOP TIPS

“Can't I just read my notes?”



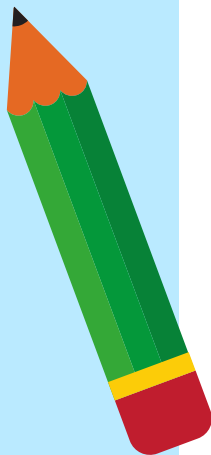
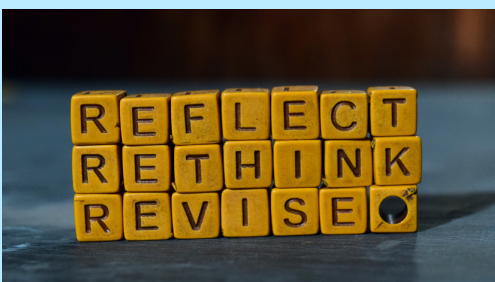
INEFFECTIVE LEARNING STRATEGIES

Research has shown the following study strategies to be ineffective:

1. Writing a summary of your notes.
2. Highlighting your notes.
3. Re-reading.

This is because they make you feel like you know the material and may help you to remember the information in the short-term (e.g. just after re-reading your notes) but this will not last so you are more likely to forget the information in the coming days.

These techniques should be used to highlight important information and make your revision notes but not as ways to help you remember that material.



“Can't I just revise?”

Revision or 'cramming' is when students try to memorise knowledge before an exam.

However, A Levels are terminal exams (all of content is tested at the end of the 2 years) and this means there is too much to 'cram'!

There is a limit to how much you can 'revise' and so lots of the knowledge will be forgotten.

Independent study means going over topics of a regular basis as the course progresses.

It will help to ensure that you remember the information as you go and keep it in your long-term memory to use in the exam.