

A day in at Ark Academy Sixth Form

The Sixth Form facilities are split over two areas of the school – the Sixth Form building and the third floor of the main building. Sixth Formers are strongly



encouraged to use the main school library for accessing books, to read or just a peaceful place to study and to use the main school canteen or Sixth form café area to enjoy their lunch.

Schools starts promptly at 8.30 with most students having between 3 – 6 lessons on any given day.

While we all know attendance is key to success a strong emphasis is placed on punctuality. Being on time every time is not only fundamental to success, but is mannerly and an important life skill.

Please ensure you read the attendance and punctuality policy thoroughly.

Mon-Thurs				Fri			
08:30	09:25	00:55	P1	08:30	09:25	00:55	P1
09:25	10:20	00:55	P2	09:25	10:20	00:55	P2
10:20	10:40	00:20	Break	10:20	10:40	00:20	Break
10:40	11:05	00:25	Tutor / Assembly	10:40	11:05	00:25	Tutor / Assembly

11:05	12:00	00:55	P3	11:05	12:00	00:55	P3
12:00	12:55	00:55	P4	12:00	12:55	00:55	P4
12:55	13:45	00:50	Lunch	12:55	13:45	00:50	Lunch
13:45	14:40	00:55	P5	13:45	14:45	01:00	P5
14:40	15:35	00:55	P6				
15:35	16:30	00:55	P7/Enrichment				

When not in lesson all students are expected to be in one of the **study spaces** or the **library** making use of study time within the school day to:

- Keep on top of their homework
- Do some independent reading around their subjects.
- Revise for upcoming examinations.
- Research and investigate universities and courses of undergraduate study.
- Edit and complete their personal statement
- Read!

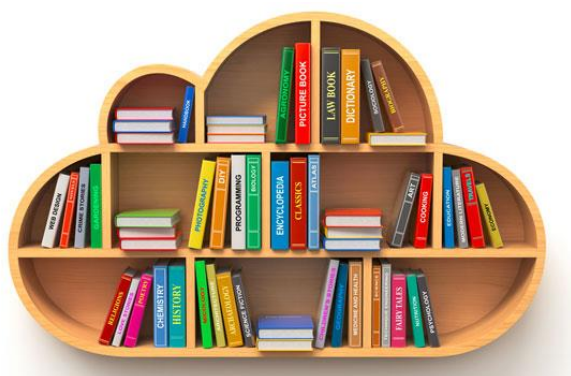
Study Spaces

The Sixth Form has two designated study areas. These are room **609** in the sixth form building and room **305** on the third floor in the main building. Both of these spaces are silent working rooms. **Food and drink are not permitted.** We ask that students respect the right of their peers to study silently.

Sixth form students have access to the study areas from 7.30 – 5.00 from Monday –Friday.

Should anyone need access outside of these times they must have written permission from the Director of Sixth Form.

Library



As mentioned Ark Academy Sixth Form has a strong culture of reading – we know this will make the difference, not only to academic progress across all subjects, but will also mark you out as a well-rounded and interesting individual when applying for jobs or university courses.

To facilitate engagement with reading,

we have a well-stocked and resourced section of the library specially designated for use by sixth formers. This contains fiction and non-fiction texts related to the courses offered and beyond. The library also has access to a range of academic journals which are free to use and staff on hand to advise with your choices.

Additionally, we encourage all sixth formers to join their local library.

This can be done online at:

https://arena.yourlondonlibrary.net/web/brent/self-registration?_ga=2.157689530.1668785554.1497439576-1569348768.1424264548

Sixth formers may use laptops in the library for the purposes of study – we ask that these are signed and plugged back into the charging station once finished with, so that they are ready for the next person who wishes to use them.

Where you can eat

Sixth formers have the exclusive use of their own café in the sixth form building. This serves a variety of hot and cold dishes at break and lunch at a subsidised rate. Students are also welcome to use the main school canteen facilities.

Students are welcome to eat their own cold packed lunches in either of these spaces. Ark Academy promotes healthy eating to all students and we ask you to bare this in mind when preparing your packed lunch. Hot food from outside providers and fast food are not permitted on site. Fizzy drinks, crisps, chocolate and sweets are discouraged.

ParentPay

At Ark Academy we use a cashless catering system based on biometric identification. You will simply press your finger down on the recognition system. The amount owed is then debited from your account. The beauty of this system is that you do not need to bring any money to school and it greatly reduces queuing times at lunch and break.

The only method for adding credit to your account is by using a credit or debit card online at www.parentpay.com.

In order to use the dining hall, your account must be in credit. This will mean checking it on a weekly basis.

Autumn Term 2017

Autumn 1

- Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th and Friday 8th September 2017 – Year 7 and 12 Induction
- Thursday 7th and Friday 8th September 2017 – Year 10 Induction and Year 13 start
- Monday 4th – Friday 8th September 2017 –Year 11 work experience
- Monday 11th September 2017– Year 8, 9 and 11 start

Half Term – Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October 2017

Autumn 2

- Tuesday 31st October 2017 - Wednesday 20th December 2017

Christmas Vacation –Thursday 21st December 2017 – Tuesday 2nd January 2018

Training Days

Monday 30th October 2017
Friday 24th November 2017
Friday 8th December 2017

Spring Term 2018

Spring 1

- Thursday 4th January 2018 - Friday 9th February 2018

Half Term – Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2018

Spring 2

- Tuesday 20th February 2018 - Friday 30th March 2018

Easter Vacation – Monday 2nd April 2018 – Friday 13th April 2018

Training Days

Wednesday 3rd January 2018
Monday 19th February 2018
Friday 16th March 2018

Summer Term 2018

Summer 1

- Tuesday 17th April 2018 - Friday 25th May 2018

Half Term - Monday 28th May 2018 – Friday 1st June 2018

Summer 2

- Monday 4th June 2018 - Friday 20th July 2018

Training Days

Monday 16th April 2018
Monday 7th May 2018 - May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 6th July 2018