

YOUR FIRST DAY

You will likely have a tour of the school (there are 2 classrooms, a kitchen for break time, and a tree room, normally used for tutorials.) You will meet with one of the teachers to discuss what subjects you study and the levels you are working at so they can devise a timetable for you. Your hobbies and interests may also be talked about.

Some people might do an online quiz to find out 'what type of learner they are'. This is useful so the teachers can tailor your lesson style to you.

Overall, your first day is just about settling in. The only real bit of hard work will be creating a name tag for you draw. This is where all your exercise books and folders are kept. Make your name tag as creative as you like—it is your drawer!

OUR EXPERIENCES

"I've really appreciated all the help the unit school has given me. They really help to guide you through tough and stressful times like year 11, 12 and 13 where this a lot more work. I even did my GCSEs here. I got to do them in a quiet room and was well accommodated for by the unit school. Post GCSE was so interesting as I got to do the KS4 engagement programme. Since GCSEs are over before the end of the school year, this is a really good chance for you to learn some great skills over your extra long summer!"



"This school is good because you can get extra help. You can concentrate more because there are less students. I also find it easy to get around the school unit"

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE UNIT SCHOOL

A guide for you...



...by us :)

WELCOME

Welcome to the Marlborough House Unit School. This is a small guide to help you settle in.

Despite being in hospital you can still do your exams and lessons, ensuring no doors are closed for your future.



CONTACT WITH YOUR HOME SCHOOL

The teachers will contact your home school to get the work that the rest of the students in your class are doing. This is so you don't fall behind, and so the teachers here can plan your individual lessons accordingly.

Teachers who teach you a specific subject at The Unit School will liaise with that specific subject teachers at your home school.

TIMETABLE

We have school every morning Monday to Friday, 9:15-12:45. There is a 30 minute break halfway through the day. You will typically have 4 lessons a day.

Everyone has an individual timetable depending on their subjects, which gives good structure and means each subject is taught equally.



RESOURCES

We have access to a wide variety of resources in order to help us with our learning. There are two computers in each classroom and 5 student laptops. This means you can access the internet for work based activities.

The school has shelves of textbooks available for most subjects and exam boards. There are also revision guides, dictionaries, and a whole cupboard full of art supplies.

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If you are older, it is likely you will have self-study sessions. This would involve teachers setting you work or you directing your own learning independently.

If you need help, a member of staff is always available.



ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME: KS5

The School is not only here to help you with your academic subjects. Once you've finished your GCSEs in KS4, an engagement programme is designed for you to allow you to develop life skills, and to also have some fun after some pretty hard exams! This may include things like cooking, first aid, DIY and creatives.

In KS5, whether that be sixth form or college, you may have some time to work on topics outside of the curriculum. This could be personal statement writing, help with a CV, or even preparation for the DVLA driving theory test. These are all important but difficult tasks, but they give you a good chance

RETURNING TO YOUR HOME SCHOOL

As part of the discharge process the unit school will help you settle back into your home school. This may include going for a visit with one of the unit teachers. This could also be for a meeting, a lesson in a separate room or a couple of lessons in class with other students. Hopefully, because of how the unit teachers have linked with your home school during your admission, your home school will be well aware of where you are at and the process will be as smooth as possible.

The teachers will generally encourage you to reintegrate socially as well.