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Evening



**THURSDAY 14 MARCH 2013**

**6.00PM**

**AT BRYN HAFREN COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL**

Welcome to the annual Barry Sixth Form Open Evening organised jointly by Barry Comprehensive School and Bryn Hafren Comprehensive School.

Many A level courses are available. Vocational and Welsh Baccalaureate courses are also available.

An access course is available on the Bryn Hafren site for those students who wish to improve their GCSE results including a skills course, a choice of vocational level 2 courses and the opportunity to resit Mathematics and English.

The aims of the evening are for parents and students to meet the staff of both schools to find out more about the courses which will be available in September and to learn something about other issues, such as entry requirements, travel arrangements, etc.

Please feel free to discuss these and other issues with the staff. There will be somebody here who can discuss any course with you in depth. Course brochures are also available for you to take away. Further information can be found on the Bryn Hafren School website at [brynhafren.com](http://brynhafren.com).

We hope your evening will be a useful and informative one.

G. McNamara  
Headteacher  
Barry Comprehensive School

P. D. Whitcombe  
Headteacher  
Bryn Hafren Comprehensive School

## RANGE OF COURSES

*A few subjects are at GCSE level (indicated in brackets). Level 3 courses are equivalent to A levels. All other subjects listed are A Levels*

<b>Applied Science</b>	<b>Geography</b>
<b>Art</b>	<b>German</b>
<b>Art/Graphics</b>	<b>Health &amp; Social Care</b>
<b>Art/Textiles</b>	<b>History</b>
<b>Beauty (Level 3)</b>	<b>Human Biology</b>
<b>Biology</b>	<b>ICT</b>
<b>BTEC Engineering</b>	<b>Mathematics</b>
<b>BTEC Sport (2 A Levels)</b>	<b>Media Studies</b>
<b>BTEC Art &amp; Design (4 GCSE's)</b>	<b>Music</b>
<b>City and Guilds Beauty Therapy (4 GCSE's)</b>	<b>BTEC Music (Level 3)</b>
<b>BTEC Hospitality &amp; Catering (2 GCSE's)</b>	<b>Performing Arts</b>
<b>BTEC Travel &amp; Tourism (4 GCSE's)</b>	<b>Photography</b>
<b>Business Studies</b>	<b>Physical Education</b>
<b>Ceramics</b>	<b>Physics</b>
<b>Chemistry</b>	<b>Politics</b>
<b>Computer Studies</b>	<b>Psychology</b>
<b>BTEC Dance (1&amp;2 A level options available)</b>	<b>Philosophy &amp; Ethics</b>
<b>DT : Product Design</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>English Lang/Lit</b>	<b>Spanish</b>
<b>English Literature</b>	<b>Travel and Tourism</b>
<b>Ethics</b>	<b>Theatre Studies</b>
<b>Fashion &amp; Textiles</b>	<b>Welsh</b>
<b>Film Studies</b>	<b>Welsh Baccalaureate</b>
<b>Food Technology</b>	<b>Access Course</b> to include a skills course (4 GCSE's) plus a choice of a BTEC level 2 course and Mathematics and English resit if required.
<b>French</b>	
<b>Geology</b>	

## **PREPARATION FOR THE SIXTH FORM**

### **CAREERS ADVICE AND ASSEMBLIES**

**January – March**

**All Year 11 pupils are included in these arrangements**

### **OPEN EVENING**

**Thursday 14 March 2013**

**6.00 – 8.00 pm**

**At Bryn Hafren School**

### **APPLICATIONS**

**May**

**Application forms will be distributed to all Year 11 pupils.**

### **GCSE EXAMINATION RESULTS**

**Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2013**

### **6<sup>th</sup> FORM REGISTRATION DAY**

**Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013**

### **INDUCTION PROGRAMME**

**September 2013**

## TRANSITION TO THE SIXTH FORM

At the end of Year 11 you make a voluntary decision to return to school to further your education. The Barry Sixth Form, in considering your academic and vocational needs, makes a decision to accept you or not. Being accepted is a two way process and you will be required to approach this new stage in your career with a sense of responsibility and commitment. All Lower Sixth students will be asked to accept our basic rules.

You will have more freedom in the Sixth Form to devise your own study programme. You are expected to work independently in reading around your subjects. This is not an optional extra but a basic requirement that will enhance your performance.

To encourage the development and maturity of pupils in the Sixth Form certain targets, apart from academic ones, will be set. These targets will include:

1. Helping with School and House duties
2. Helping others  
(For example, being involved in charity work and helping in the Reading scheme in the Learning Support Department).
3. Taking part in enrichment and extra-curricular activities  
(For example, School Council, 6<sup>th</sup> Form Council, sports or drama / musical activities, the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme, helping students and teachers in the classroom).
4. Participating in work experience.

Activities relating to these targets will be recorded on University and job application forms and will contribute towards the Welsh Baccalaureate.

In social terms, you will be given the opportunity to relax with your friends in the common rooms. You must, however, be disciplined about your use of this time as misuse of it can easily become addictive, with little work being attempted outside lessons. It is useful to remember that the more you do in school the less of a burden your homework will become.

It is important to recognise that you are required to attend school regularly and remain in school during Year 12. Poor attendance is proven to affect grades.

The Sixth Form has its own Council with elected representatives. The Council acts as a forum for all matters concerned with the welfare of the Sixth Form and it also arranges social functions.

## COURSE QUALIFICATIONS

The requirements for entry to **AS Level** courses are a minimum of 5 Grade C passes or above at GCSE.

These **should** include the subjects which students wish to study at 'A' level.

There are a small number of A level subjects that can be taken without a GCSE in that subject. Entry to these subjects is usually subject to having obtained a minimum of 5 Grade C passes or above at GCSE in other subjects and is negotiated with the heads of 6<sup>th</sup> form and the curriculum managers.

The requirements for entry to other courses on offer are negotiated with the heads of 6th form. This will result in some students having individual, tailored programmes which will not necessarily depend upon meeting the 5 Grade C passes or above at GCSE.

These could include, for example, an Access Course which comprises of a skills course, one vocational course, and resits in Mathematics and English.

These special arrangements will need to be discussed and agreed with the 6<sup>th</sup> Form and Curriculum Managers.

### Uniform

All students in the Barry Sixth Form are expected to set an example for the other year groups. 6<sup>th</sup> formers should dress neatly and wear the correct Barry 6<sup>th</sup> Form uniform.

The uniform consists of the following:

White polo shirt with Sixth Form Logo.  
Black sweatshirt with Sixth Form Logo.  
Black trousers/Skirt. (no leggings)  
Black Shoes.

Facial and body Piercings are not allowed. Brightly coloured hair or extreme hairstyles are not allowed. Jewellery should only be a watch and small earrings.