

# Post 16

## Exmouth Community College



*Inspiring, challenging and supporting every learner.*

Autumn 2017

### The year ahead..

I was really pleased at the results achieved by Post 16 this Summer; we made good progress with all our students, who achieved really good results and went on to fantastic courses and careers, including studying Acoustical Engineering, Marine Biology, Neuroscience, Nursing, Law, Optometry, Engineering and PPE at Oxford. We will build on that this year and respond positively to the ways in which qualifications have been made more challenging. To help drive towards better results, we shall have more points where we tell you and the students how we think they are doing. Here are main dates:

13 Dec-Progress reports for Years 12 and 13
24 Jan-Year 13 Parents' Evening
7 Feb-Years 12 and 13 progress reports
14 March comments reports for Year 13
28 March- Progress reports for Years 12 and 13
16 May -comments reports for Year 12
7 June progress reports for Year 12
July 9-13 Year 12 Formal mocks

**Year 13 Mocks will take place from 3 Jan.** Mocks week is a study week for Year 13 taking formal exams, unless specifically arranged. Those doing subjects such as Art, Photography, Textiles, Technology, Media, Health and Social Care and Sport L2 and BTEC will continue to attend lessons

### OFSTED

The Good rating of Post 16 in the new OFSTED report recognizes the quality and commitment of everyone involved: support staff, teachers, and leaders. I am delighted they got the recognition they deserve. OFSTED said:

- 'Sixth-form students make strong progress on their courses because they are motivated to succeed and are well taught.'
- 'Teachers have good subject knowledge and well-developed strategies for helping students to make progress. As a result, students are challenged to think deeply about their learning in many subjects.'
- The leaders of the sixth form demonstrate a genuine passion for the success of all students, no matter what their starting points.'

### UCAS and non University processes ...

**Non university options:** University isn't necessarily the best option-but then good grades, research and applications are more important than ever. Use ULAS to research careers and draft a bespoke CV .

**UCAS applications:** These are sent by the end of the Winter term. Mid Jan is the official final submission date, but really that's too late. Encouraging students to get their applications in early has paid off, as many of those have received offers, including unconditionals!

**Year 12s:** Need to think about work experience. This takes place in the last week of the Summer term..

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