

KJS EXAMS FAQs

If you have any questions with regards to a **review of marking**, please contact Mrs Smith via email exams@king-james.co.uk

Wednesday 13th August – urgent emails only due to A Level results download day.

Thurs 14th August 9:00 - 4pm

Fri 15th August 08:30 – 4pm

Monday 18th August 8:30 - 3pm

Tuesday 19th August 8:30 - 2pm

Wednesday 20th August - urgent emails only due to GCSE results download day.

Thursday 21st August 8:00 - 3:30pm

Friday 22nd August 08:30 - 4pm

Closed for lunch 12:30-13:30

Important Information

For **post-results deadlines and information**, please refer to the documents enclosed in your results envelope.

- Mrs Smith is unable to assist with enquiries about sixth form places.
- If your sixth form place depends on GCSE results and you wish to apply for a review of marking, please submit your application on 21st or 22nd August. Applications submitted after these dates will still be accepted but may take longer to process.
- If your university place is pending based on A-level results and you wish to apply for a priority review of marking, please submit your application on the 14th to 18th of August.

Application forms are available on the school website or from the Sixth Form Office. The exams office will close from 4pm on 22^{nd} August and will not reopen until Monday 1^{st} September.



Useful information and Frequently Asked Questions

There will be plenty of support available on GCSE results day. Staff will be available to answer queries and to support you if you need help. The KJS Sixth Form Team will be available to answer any questions linked to KJS Sixth Form applications. A representative from York College and Harrogate College will be in school to offer advice and guidance about the courses and qualifications they offer.

The Post 16 section on the Careers page of the KJS website → has links to all of the local colleges and apprenticeship websites. If students have any questions about a course or qualification being run at one of these providers, they need to contact them directly. There is a list of useful contact numbers and email addresses in this handout.



WHAT DO I DO IF GET THE GRADES I NEED FOR MY NEXT STEP?

Check the information you have been given by your school, college, training provider or employer. Many will ask you to confirm that you have gained the grades you needed for their course/job and

that you still intend to take up your place. Do not forget to confirm your intention to accept if you have been asked to do so. This will then secure your place.

WHAT DO I DO IF I DON'T GET THE GRADES I EXPECTED?

Do not assume you haven't been offered a place at your chosen college, training centre, apprenticeship or school. Always check directly with them. If you have not met your conditional offer they may have an alternative offer for you - or can signpost you to other courses elsewhere.

WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

If you are not accepted at your first choice, then you will need to start looking again at the options. Many of you will already have a safety plan - in which case now is the time to put this into action. If you are holding a backup place and need to use it - do contact them to accept the offer. If you haven't a back-up plan, then your main options are: -

- Continuing your education at a school Sixth Form or a college speak to school staff, speak to colleges. Colleges often have many different types of courses at different levels. Whatever your grades they will have a suitable level course you can choose from.
- Going into training through a vocational study programme (apprenticeship or traineeship) you may prefer to start work rather than continue in school or college. That is an option the difficult part is doing the right apprenticeship. Are you ready to start work? Are you a good timekeeper? Do you know the job you want to do? Do you know what you will do as part of the training?

FURTHER EDUCATION

School Sixth Forms – make sure you see someone in the school Sixth Form team you have applied to.

FE Colleges in the region - check directly with them:

- Harrogate College <u>www.harrogate-college.ac.uk/studywithus/</u> tel 01423 879466
- York College www.yorkcollege.ac.uk tel 01904 770770
- Leeds City Colleges www.leedscitycollege.ac.uk tel 0113 386 1997
- Askham Bryan College www.askham-bryan.ac.uk tel 01904 772277
- Leeds College of Building www.lcb.ac.uk tel 0113 222 6000

APPRENTICESHIPS

See the apprenticeships and traineeships available at www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship. You can search by job idea and postcode for vacancies near you.

WHAT ADVICE AND SUPPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE?

There will be plenty of support available on the day. There will be Year 11 and Sixth Form staff available.



In addition there is support available via the <u>National Careers</u>
<u>Service.</u> https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/ or scan →

You can call the helpline to chat to a careers adviser if you need advice around your exam results or next steps.



Call on 0800 100 900 during opening times or chat to an adviser through webchat.



SPECIFIC CAREERS INFORMATION

Do not forget as a King James's student or parent you have access to eCLIPS – our online careers library support.

www.eclips-online.co.uk/ Password *SEE YOUR RESULTS ENVELOPE*

There are many helpful leaflets- including these which may be the most helpful on results day.

- Choices at 16 https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/leaflet/1.10
- Choosing Level 3 courses https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/leaflet/2.15
- How to find a job https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/leaflet/11.10
- Jobs requiring few or no qualifications https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/leaflet/1.15
- Apprenticeships and work-based learning https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/leaflet/11.16
- Coping with interviews https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/leaflet/11.13



SIXTH FORM ADMISSIONS

I HAVE NOT ACHIEVED THE BASIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR KJS SIXTH FORM – WHAT DO I DO?.

If you have lower than grade 4 in Maths and/or both English:

- (a) check the grade boundaries with your most recent schools subject teacher is it worth a review of marks?
- (b) if you have not achieved the basic entry requirements it will not be possible to enrol at KJS Sixth Form. It is NOT possible to resit at King James's.
- (c) to find out about the options to resit Maths or English GCSE at an alternative Sixth Form provision e.g. St Aidan's and St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form.

I HAVE MET THE BASIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS, BUT NOT ACHIEVED THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR MY CHOSEN SUBJECTS – WHAT DO I DO?

It may be possible for you to switch to another subject if you have met the entry requirements for that subject AND that subject is not full, AND it fits in the option blocks. Please check the Sixth Form prospectus here to ensure you meet the entry requirements for any subject change. Any changes will be considered in your individual enrolment meeting in September.

* If you have not met the entry requirements for two or more of your first choices, we would suggest that you discuss your options via sixthform@king-james.co.uk.

I HAVE GOT THE BASIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS BUT WISH TO CHANGE MY SIXTH FORM SUBJECTS - WHAT DO I DO?

Wait until your enrolment meeting with Sixth Form staff on Tues 2^{nd} , Wed 3^{rd} or Thurs 4^{th} September – all info provided in your first assembly Tues 2^{nd} Sept 9:10am in S1.

Prior to this – see the prospectus on the KJS website for details on any specific entry requirements for your subject changes. NB some courses may be full at this stage & some combinations may not fit the options grid. This may all be discussed in your meeting.

If you or your parents have any urgent questions about Sixth Form enrolment, please call school on 01423 866061 and a member of the Sixth Form team will contact you – Thursday 21st or Friday 22nd August only. Any enquiries received after 1pm on Friday will be considered after school re-opens on Tuesday 2nd September. For non-urgent enquires please email sixthform@king-james.co.uk. Due to the school holidays, be aware you may have to wait until school reopens in September for a response.