

Term Dates & Holidays for Students 2016-2017

Autumn Term: Induction Week: 7th— 9th September
(0900-1215 each day)
Full Timetable begins 12th September 2016
Ends on December 15th 2016.
Half -Term: 24th October 2016 - 28th October 2016

Spring Term: Starts on Tuesday January 3rd 2017
Ends on Friday 6th April 2017
Half -Term: 20th February 2017 - 24th February 2017

Summer Term: Starts on Monday 24th April 2017.
Ends on Tuesday 25th July 2017
Half -Term: 29th May 2017 - 2nd June 2017

Length of the PRU day: Morning Sessions: 09.00 - 12.15
Afternoon sessions: 1.00 - 2.30
Twilight (by arrangement) + 1 hour

Who's Who

Head Teacher: Julie Finch
Deputy Head Teacher: Mark Hazlehurst
Pastoral Tutor & EWO: Peter Ford
Administrative Officer: Justyna Jankowska

Teaching Team:

Alison Lewis	English	Marie Roy	TA
Theo Baro-Thomas	Maths	Georgia Coultas	TA
Brian Griffiths	ICT	Jo Kimm	TA
Kate Roberts	Art	Clare Langley	TA
Michelle Bragg	TA		



Key information

Dear Parent / Carer

We are pleased to welcome you to KickStart Academy. This leaflet is intended to give you some helpful information about who we are and what we are about so that we can work together to help your child be as successful as they can be whilst with us.

Who Are We ?

We are Telford's only 14-16 Pupil Referral Unit. We accept students from mainstream schools for lots of different reasons. Some students are with us full time (25 hours per week) and others are on Modified Timetables (up to 16 hours). Whilst some students have lessons in the PRU, others are able to access courses within TCAT and training providers although some are educated on other sites.

Who To Contact

Justyna Jankowska at Kickstart campus on 01952 642402. She will take messages and arrange appointments with staff as necessary.

Where Are We ?

Telford College of Arts and Technology
Haybridge Road
Wellington
TF12NP
Entrance is via the main entrance to Telford College of Arts and Technology

What we offer:

Students will follow courses in English, Maths, Art, PSHE, Life Skills, P.E. & Recreation. All courses can lead to accredited qualifications. In addition, students will have the opportunity to participate in the Prince's Trust programme and join appropriate vocational courses at TCAT.

Student Dress Code:

Students are not required to wear a uniform however students are expected to comply with the standards of a more adult environment. College policy states that ID passes must be worn at all times.

Smart, clean casual clothes **are acceptable**

Not acceptable: Crop tops, beachwear, offensive logos or messages also hoodies must not cover the head.

On Health & Safety grounds, visible piercings are not permitted. Any jewellery must be minimal with only single studded earrings in place. Tattoos also must not be visible.

If it is felt that clothing is inappropriate, the parent/carer will be contacted and students will be sent home to change.

Student Behaviour:

Teaching is organised in small groups of around 6 students. This means that students get more support to aid learning. Students are encouraged to respect themselves and the learning environment. We expect our students to behave in a mature way and they will always be treated with respect. The student code of behaviour gives a very clear idea of the standards we expect.

Standard Rules

- Please note that Kickstart is a no smoking area.
- **Mobile Phones** are not permitted and must be handed in for safe keeping, on arrival.
- Students are not permitted to eat in class.
- Energy drinks are not allowed on site.
- We provide access to water if required.

Attendance / Lateness:

To make the most of students time with us, they need to attend regularly and be prompt to lessons. Please note, we do not give permission for holidays in term time.

Medication:

Should your child need to take medication during school hours please inform us immediately. Such medication should be handed in to a member of staff to be stored securely. Parents/carers must give precise instructions on dosage and should inform us immediately of any changes.

Assessment & Reporting :

Some courses are modular which will involve students sitting exams throughout the year, other courses require continual assessment of coursework with a final end of year exam. In order to support their learning, work will be assessed and marked regularly to provide feedback and guidance. Through our Parent Partnership Programme, you will be contacted regularly to discuss progress, achievements or any other issues that arise. You will also be invited to attend formal and informal events at the school during the year.

Future Focus

Students will be introduced to our Future Focus Team who will help them plan their career choices. Parents can attend interviews if required.