Taverham Sixth Form

2024 Entry

Taverham Sixth Form

One vision. Our passion. Your future.

Welcome

At the heart of all we do is our school vision: to create a learning environment within which every individual can realise their full potential. We want all at the Sixth Form to develop self respect, respect for others and prepare themselves for life in a changing world.

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Welcome from Head of Sixth Form

Dr Roger R Harris

Headteacher

Welcome to Taverham High School. I am honoured to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of this excellent 11-18 academy serving Taverham as well as neighbouring communities. We are on a journey to become one of the best schools in Norfolk and a school that our local community has pride in.

Underpinning all we do is the excellent relationships between staff, students and parents/carers. Good communication, trust and respect provide the very best basis on which to nurture and develop the unique gifts and talents of our young people. We are fortunate to have first class school buildings providing the very best environment for learning; the opportunities for our students are exceptional.

We seek to develop tenacity, courage and resilience in our young people so that they become independent upstanding members of their community and beyond. We have high expectations of our young people as, not only do we want them to leave as happy and well-rounded individuals but with the A-level, GCSE and BTEC qualifications needed for the next stage in their lives.

We aim to work closely with you, as parents or carers, with open lines of commination being of utmost importance. We find there is great strength in the school and parents/carers working together for the benefit of our young people to ensure they reach the best possible outcomes.

Our students are proud of our school, which is a happy, safe and enjoyable place to learn. We also understand the importance of offering a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities to build students' confidence, team-building skills, a thirst for knowledge and love of learning. Our students are our greatest advocates and our biggest assets; without their positive attitude the school would not be the same place.

I hope this prospectus gives you a sense of the school and the opportunities that await your young person. However, to truly gain a feel for our school, I would warmly invite you to visit us, by either calling 01603 860505 or emailing office@taverhamhigh.org. to make an appointment. My team and I would be delighted to meet with you and happy to show you our school and answer any of your questions.

We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Welcome from the Headteacher

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James Linnell

Head of Sixth Form

Taverham Sixth Form is a vibrant and exciting place to continue studying and to prepare for the next phase in life beyond GCSE. We are lucky to have excellent dedicated study areas, experienced and supportive staff and a highly motivated student body which allows our students to reach top destinations in Higher Education, work-based training and employment.

Taverham Sixth Form is the perfect size to support students in a community that is friendly and supportive as well as being large enough to offer a wide variety of courses and educational opportunities. The ethos of the Sixth Form continues from the High School to maintain strong relationships and a sense of real community.

At Taverham Sixth Form we pride ourselves on knowing each student well and developing strong working relationships within our community. Teachers are passionate experts in their subject areas and always provide inspirational and stimulating lessons that engage and enhance students' progress. It is a real privilege to help support students to take the steps in both their higher education and career.

Being part of our Sixth Form will provide a wealth of experiences and leadership opportunities that will empower our students to become the confident, aspirational young adults that they want to be. We would be delighted to see you at our Sixth Form Open Evening and Induction Days. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like further information about our Sixth Form or to organise a bespoke tour to help you make that important choice. We look forward to seeing you.

"Sixth-form students benefit from teaching that is closely tailored to their needs“. Ofsted 2023

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Induction to the Sixth Form with Mr Linnell

Learning & Teaching

Our wide choice of A-level subjects and small class sizes allows each student to be ambitious in their studies while receiving outstanding support and gaining confidence to excel.

Our A-levels include a variety of subjects. We also offer BTEC Sound Engineering and students can choose to add to their studies with an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification).

All of our courses are taught by specialist teachers in small class sizes, allowing for the best teaching experience for our students.

Art	Business Studies	Biology	Chemistry	Classics
Computer Science	Core Maths (AS)	D&T (Product Design)	Drama	Economics
English Language	English Literature	French	Geography	German
History	Health & Social Care	Mathematics	Further Mathematics	Media Studies
Music	BTEC Music Technology	Photography	Philosophy & Ethics	Physical Education
Physics	Politics	Psychology	Sociology	Spanish

"Teachers provide tailored and individualised guidance that support sixth form students to achieve well". Ofsted 2023

SIXTH FORM LEADERSHIP TEAM

Taverham Sixth Form

Our Sixth Form Student Leaders

Celebrating Success

Taverham Sixth Form students consistently achieve high standards at A-level.

The results continue to improve year on year at Taverham Sixth Form and the celebration of these achievements is an important part of our ethos.

Students' progress is constantly monitored and support provided to help all students achieve their full potential.

Results in 2023

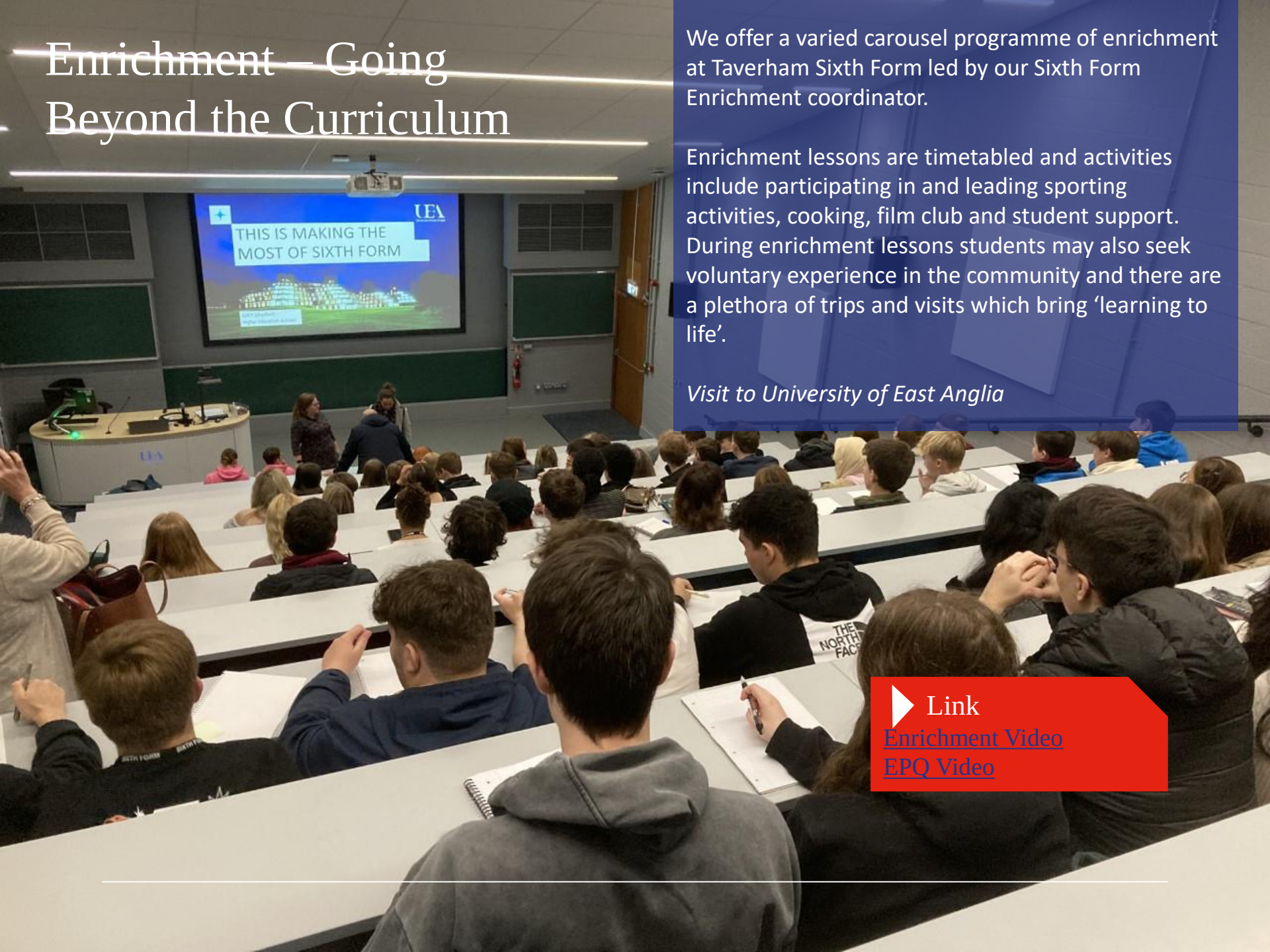
GRADES	PERCENTAGE
A*-B	53%
A*-C	79%
A*-E	99%

Enrichment – Going Beyond the Curriculum

We offer a varied carousel programme of enrichment at Taverham Sixth Form led by our Sixth Form Enrichment coordinator.

Enrichment lessons are timetabled and activities include participating in and leading sporting activities, cooking, film club and student support. During enrichment lessons students may also seek voluntary experience in the community and there are a plethora of trips and visits which bring 'learning to life'.

Visit to University of East Anglia



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Enrichment Video

EPQ Video

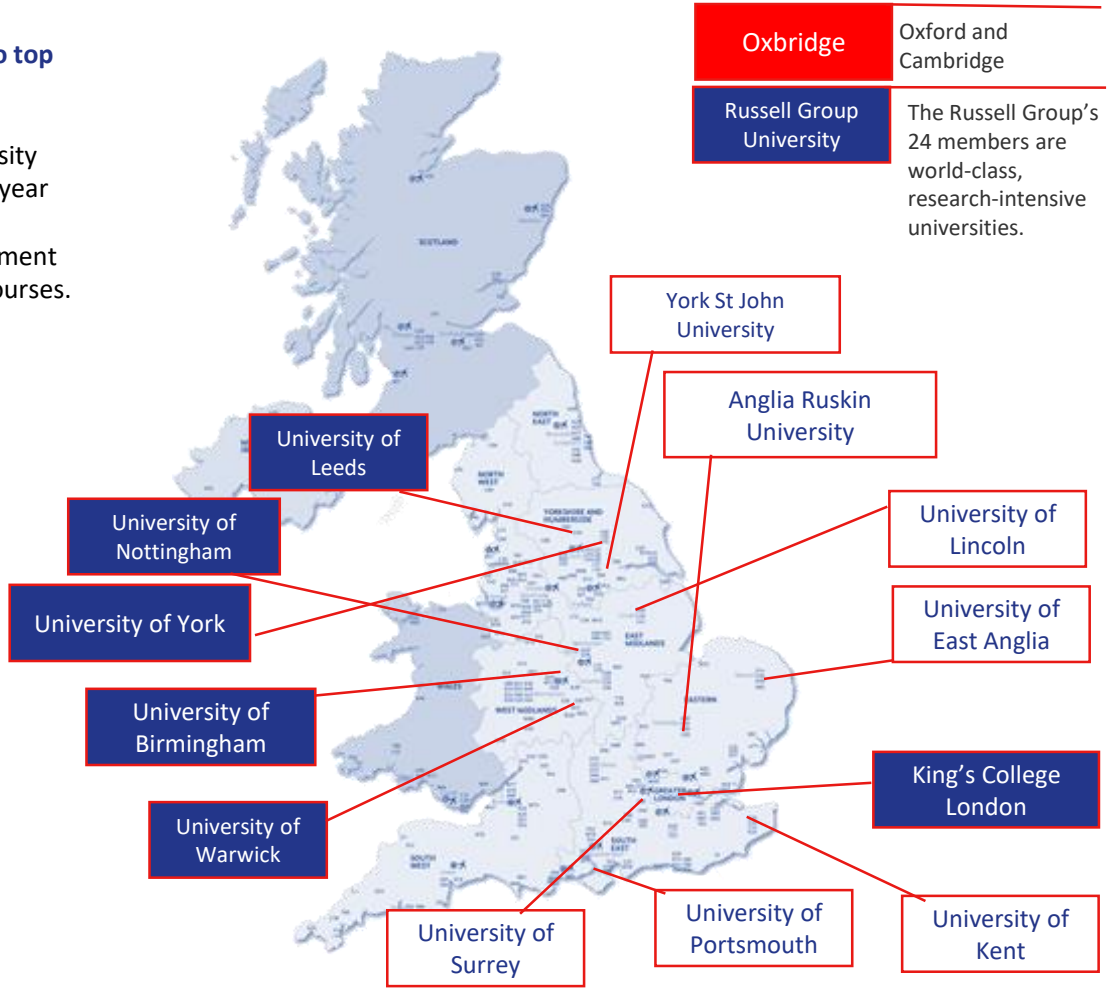
Destinations

Taverham Sixth Form students move onto top level destinations across the country.

In 2023 all students who applied to university were offered their places with 62% of the year group moving onto university, 23% onto apprenticeships, 12% directly into employment and 3% onto gap years or other training courses.

Students have gone to a variety of destinations across the country:

University destinations in 2023



Destinations

In 2023 students went onto study:

- Accounting and Finance
- Accounting, Business Finance & Management
- Biological Sciences
- Biochemistry
- Biomedicine
- Business Finance
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Economics and Finance
- Environmental Science
- Film and television production
- Film Studies
- History
- International Relations and Modern History
- Law
- Law with American Law
- Media Studies
- Music
- Pharmacy
- Pharmaceutical Science
- Product Design
- Psychology
- Physical Education, Sport and Health
- Sports Business Management
- Sports and Exercise Science
- Sociology

Alongside Apprenticeships in accounting, engineering and a variety of other professions.

Community

Students have raised over thirty thousand pounds in the last six years for charities of their choice.

Last year they raised **£4704** for the **East Anglian Air Ambulance**

East Anglian Air Ambulance

Pastoral and Support

Taverham Sixth Form is part of a wider school community and part of this includes us ensuring that all our students feel fully supported in all aspects of their school life.

Wellbeing, developing cultural capital and a positive mindset is embedded in our tutor programme. The Sixth Form Team are there to support, guide and advise on both academic and wider aspects of school life.

Alongside the Head of Sixth Form there is a Progress Leader, Enrichment Coordinator and full-time Administrator to support all aspects of students' time at Sixth Form.

For our students who need a little support our dedicated ACE team work closely with the Sixth Form Team and have forged links with the Matthew Project and other outside agencies. We have a dedicated Key Stage 5 Progress Leader who supports and monitors students, providing intervention and support.

“My favourite thing about studying A-level is the close bond that students and teachers form; as classes are so small, the teacher is able to see which student needs more help and see their strengths and weaknesses.” Year 12 Student

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Progress at Taverham Sixth Form

Outstanding Facilities and Study Space

A new dedicated Sixth Form Centre, incorporating study and social areas, computer facilities and the Sixth Form Offices, is available to students.

- Wi-Fi access so students may bring their own devices to aid their learning.
- Designated computer clusters to allow students to research and complete their assignments.
- Sixth Formers have their own social space in the Common Room where they are able to make themselves food or purchase refreshments from the vending machines.
- The Study Centre includes a Sixth Form Library, which has a range of Sixth Form specific resources, including an online archive of journals and reviews.
- The school dining area and atrium area is open to Sixth Formers throughout the school day if they want to work collaboratively and discuss work.
- A wide range of sporting facilities.
- An outside seating and work area for
- students.
- Recording studio.

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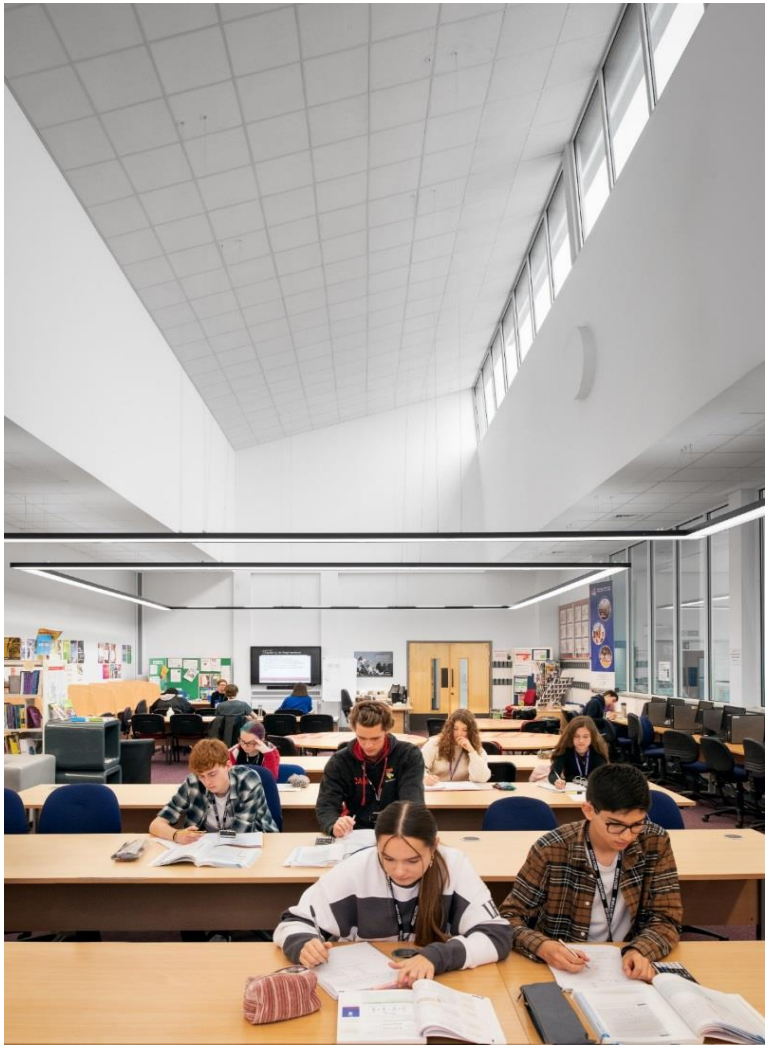
Tour of Sixth Form Centre



Art

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:

Unit 1: personal investigation. Non-exam assessment (NEA) 60% A-level

Unit 2: externally set assignment. Preparatory time and 15 hours supervised time 40% A-level

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Art

Virtual Open Evening

Business Studies

Syllabus
AQA

Core content: What is business? Managers, leadership and decision making, decision making to improve market performance / financial performance / operational performance/ human resource performance, analysing the strategic position of a business; choosing strategic direction, strategic methods and managing strategic change.
Units 1/2/3: 33.3% A-level each

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Business Studies
Virtual Open Evening

Biology

Syllabus
AQA

Core Content: biological molecules, cells, organisms, exchange substances with their environment, genetic information, variation and relationships between organisms, energy transfers in and between organisms, organisms respond to changes in their internal and external environments, genetics, populations, evolution and ecosystems, and the control of gene expression.
Paper 1: written examination 2 hours/35% of A-level
Paper 2: written examination 2 hours/35% of A-level
Paper 3: written examination 2 hours/30% of A-level

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Biology
Virtual Open Evening

Chemistry

Syllabus
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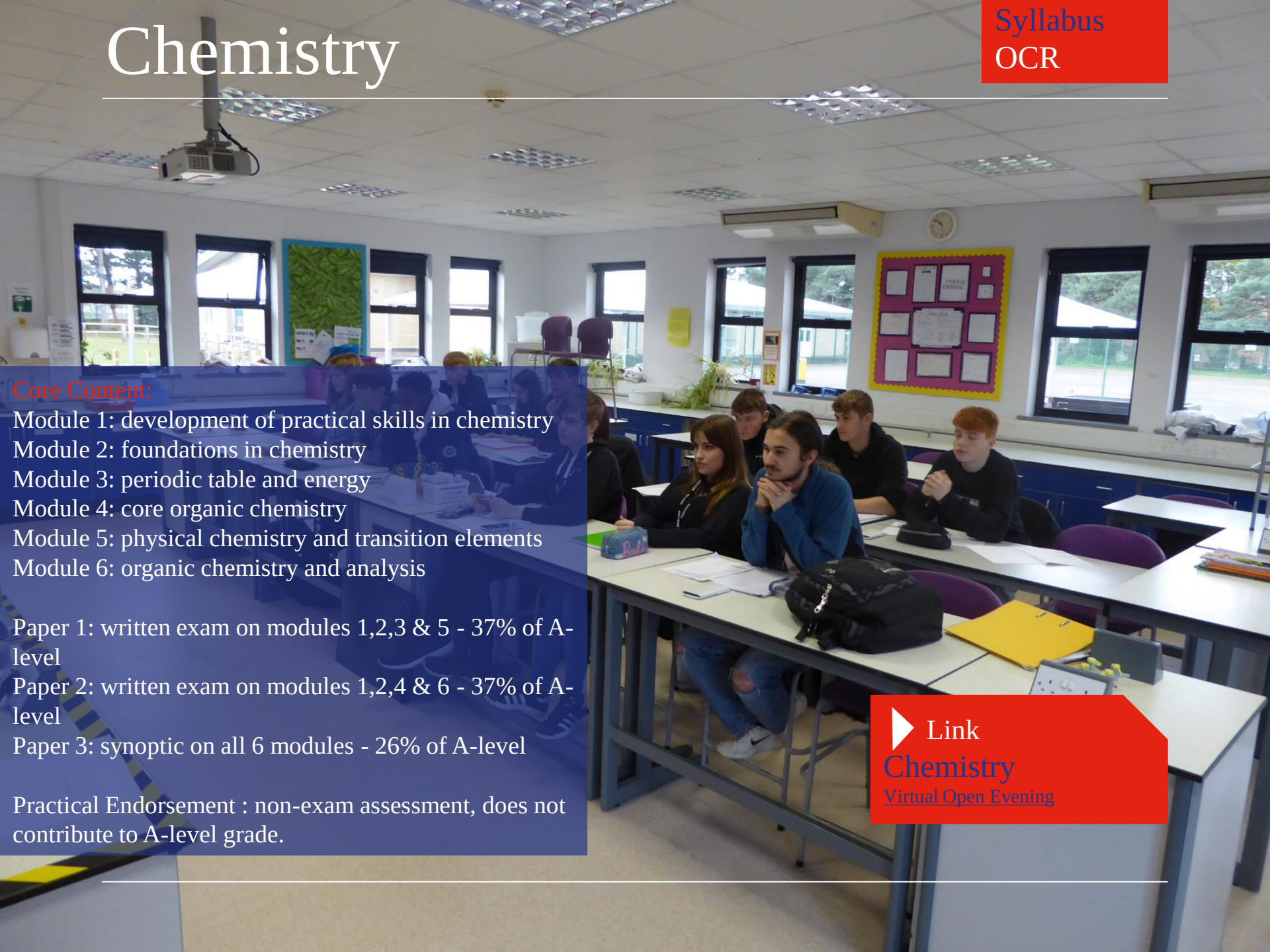

Core Content:

Module 1: development of practical skills in chemistry
Module 2: foundations in chemistry
Module 3: periodic table and energy
Module 4: core organic chemistry
Module 5: physical chemistry and transition elements
Module 6: organic chemistry and analysis

Paper 1: written exam on modules 1,2,3 & 5 - 37% of A-level
Paper 2: written exam on modules 1,2,4 & 6 - 37% of A-level
Paper 3: synoptic on all 6 modules - 26% of A-level

Practical Endorsement : non-exam assessment, does not contribute to A-level grade.

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Chemistry
Virtual Open Evening

Classics

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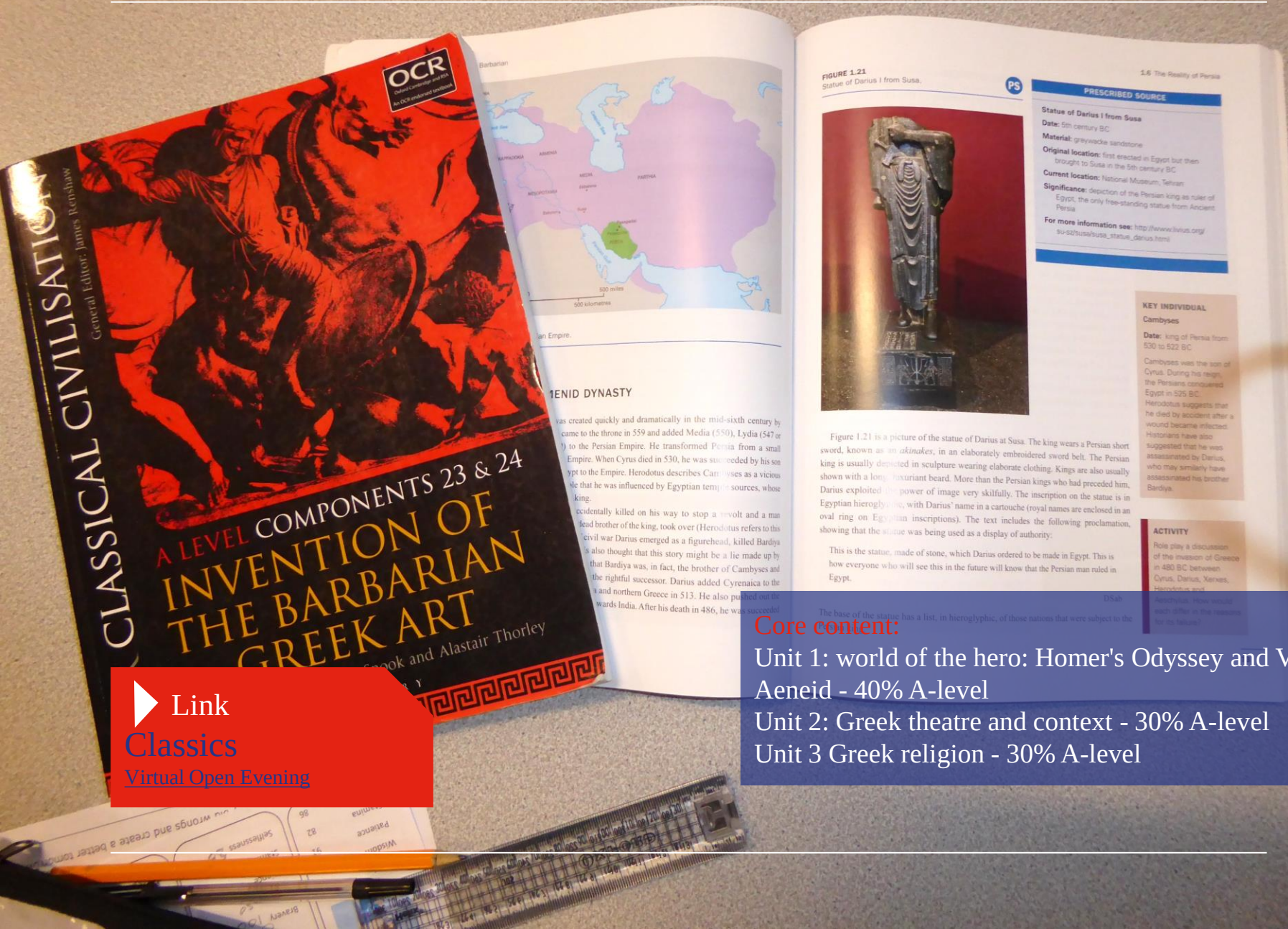

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Classics
Virtual Open Evening

Core content:

Unit 1: world of the hero: Homer's Odyssey and Virgil's Aeneid - 40% A-level
Unit 2: Greek theatre and context - 30% A-level
Unit 3 Greek religion - 30% A-level

Computer Science

Syllabus
AQA

Core content: The fundamentals of programming; data structures and representation; algorithms; computer systems, organisation and architecture; communication and networking; databases. It also includes the theory of computation; the consequences of uses of computing; Big Data; a systematic approach to problem solving as well as a computing practical project.
Paper 1: on screen exam - 40% of A-level
Paper 2: written exam - 40% of A-level
Non exam assessment (NEA): 20 % of A-level

Link
Computer Science
Virtual Open Evening

Core Maths (AS)

Syllabus
AQA

Core content: A one year mathematics course designed to complement three other A-level subjects.
Includes maths for personal finance, estimation, critical analysis of given data and models, critical path analysis, expectation and cost benefit analysis.
Unit 1: 50% A-level
Unit 2: 50% A-level

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Core Maths
Virtual Open Evening

D&T Product Desig

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:

Paper 1:

Technical principles - 30% of A level

Paper 2:

Designing and making principles - 20% of A level

NEA (Non-examined assessment):

Design and make project - 50% of A level

Link
Product Design
Virtual Open Evening

Drama and Theatre

Syllabus
Edexcel

Core content:
Unit 1: devising (NEA - Non-exam assessment) - 40% of the A level
Unit 2: text in Performance (NEA - Non-exam assessment) - 20% of the A level
Unit 3 Theatre makers in practice - 40% of the A level (written exam)

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Drama
Virtual Open Evening

Economics

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:

Unit 1: markets and market failure - This covers microeconomic concepts such as market structures, market failure, the labour market and behavioural economics - 33.3% A-level

Unit 2: the national and international economy
This covers macroeconomic concepts such as Government objectives & policy, globalisation and financial markets - 33.3% A-level

Unit 3: economic issues and principles
This is a synoptic unit draws upon all of the content - 33.3% A-level

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Economics
Virtual Open Evening

English Language

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:
Unit 1: language, the individual and society (exam) - 40%
Unit 2: language diversity and change (exam) - 40%
Unit 3: language in action (NEA - original writing and language investigation) - 20%

Link
English Language
Virtual Open Evening

English Literature

Syllabus
Edexcel

Core Content:

Unit 1: drama, one Shakespeare play and one other drama from either tragedy or comedy alongside critical essays - 30% of A-level

Unit 2: prose, two texts from a chosen theme. At least one must be pre 1900. - 20% of total A-level

Unit 3: poetry, poetic form, meaning and language including a selection of post 2000 specified poetry and a specific range of poetry or a named poet - 30% of A-level

Unit 4: non-exam assessment (NEA)You will choose and study two texts, approved by your teacher and write an extended comparative essay. - 20 % of A-level

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English Literature
Virtual Open Evening

Geography

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:

Unit 1: physical Geography: water and carbon cycles, select one from hot desert environments and their margins, coastal systems and landscapes and select one from, hazards, ecosystems under stress, cold environments - 40% of A-level

Unit 2: human geography: global systems and global governance, changing places and select one from
contemporary urban environments, population and the environment, resource security – 40% of A-level

Unit 3: non-exam assessment (NEA), geographical investigation including data collected in the field - 20% of A-level

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Geography
Virtual Open Evening

History

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:

Unit 1: the Tudors, England 1485-1603 40% A-level

Unit 2: democracy and Nazism, Germany 1918-1945 40% A-level

Unit 3: non-exam assessment (NEA) - the Crusades 1095-1271 20% A-level

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History

Virtual Open Evening

Health & Social Care

Syllabus
OCR

Core content: A Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate worth the equivalent of one A-level. Students complete four compulsory and two optional units.
Unit 1: building positive relationships.
Unit 2: equality, diversity and rights.
Unit 3: health, safety and security.
Unit 4: anatomy and physiology.
Unit 10 - Nutrition for Health and Unit 13 - Sexual Health, reproduction and early stages development

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Health & Social Care
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Mathematics

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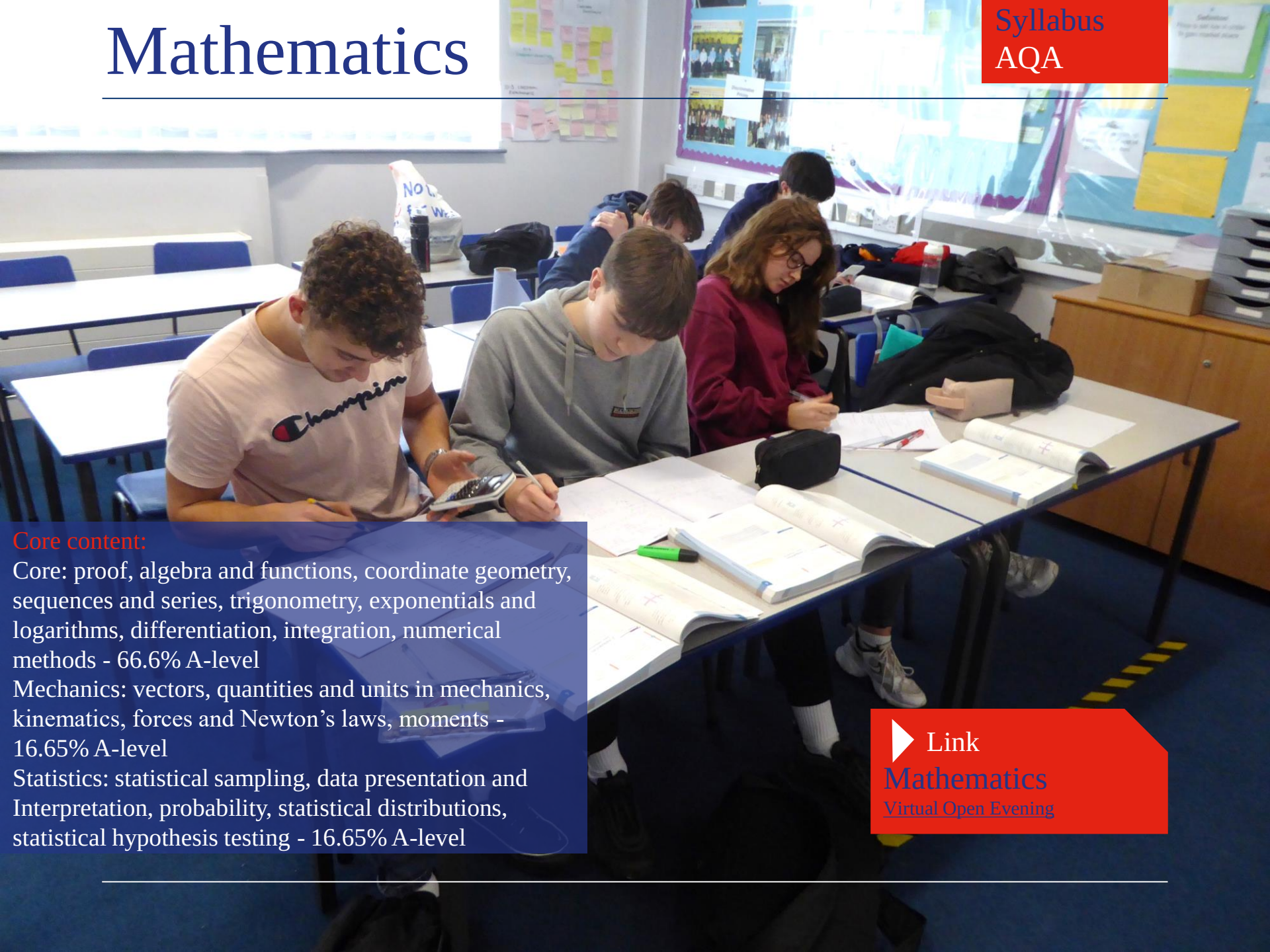

Core content:

Core: proof, algebra and functions, coordinate geometry, sequences and series, trigonometry, exponentials and logarithms, differentiation, integration, numerical methods - 66.6% A-level

Mechanics: vectors, quantities and units in mechanics, kinematics, forces and Newton's laws, moments - 16.65% A-level

Statistics: statistical sampling, data presentation and Interpretation, probability, statistical distributions, statistical hypothesis testing - 16.65% A-level

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Mathematics
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Further Mathematics

Syllabus
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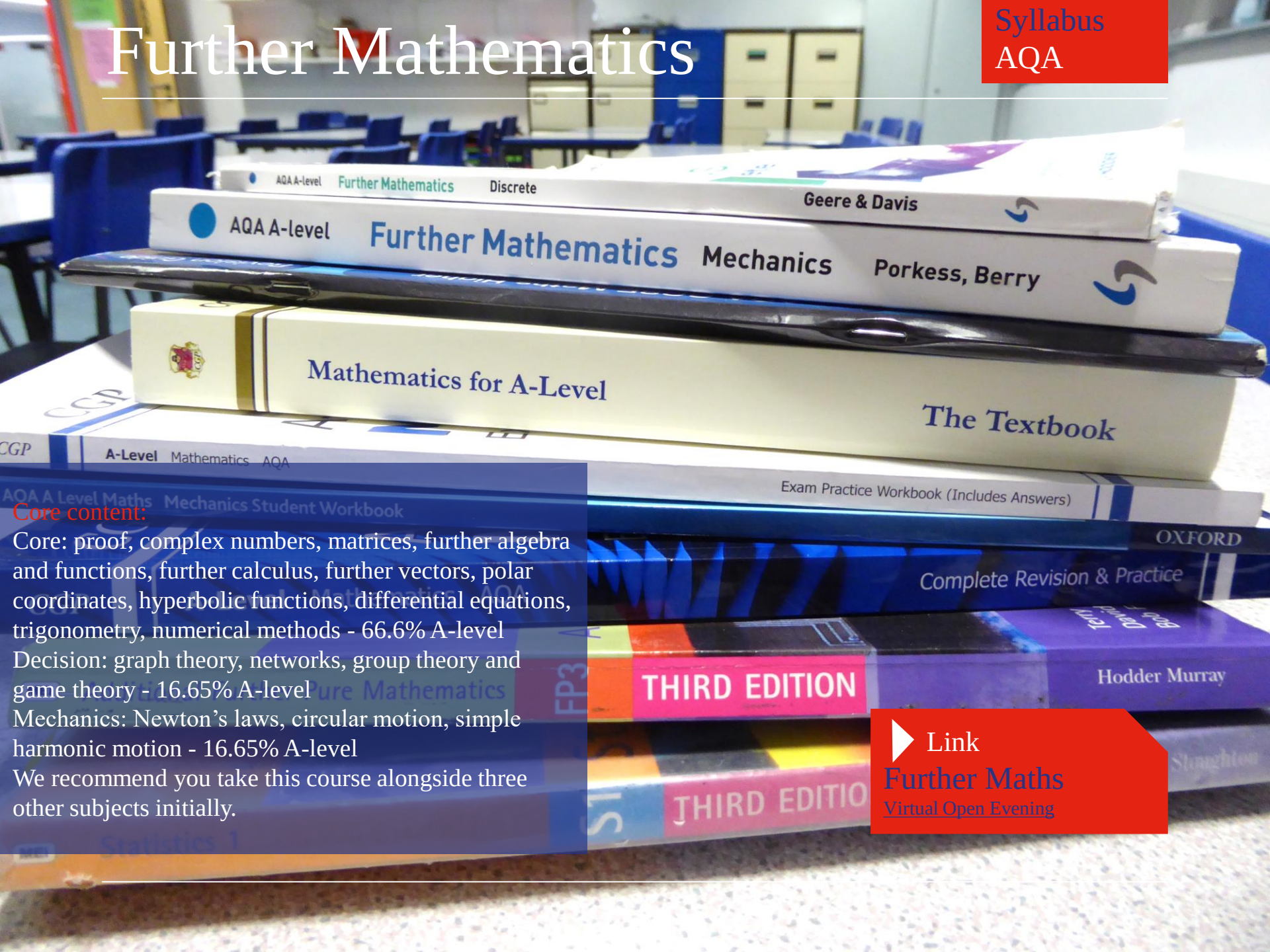

Core content:

Core: proof, complex numbers, matrices, further algebra and functions, further calculus, further vectors, polar coordinates, hyperbolic functions, differential equations, trigonometry, numerical methods - 66.6% A-level
Decision: graph theory, networks, group theory and game theory - 16.65% A-level
Mechanics: Newton's laws, circular motion, simple harmonic motion - 16.65% A-level
We recommend you take this course alongside three other subjects initially.

Link
Further Maths
Virtual Open Evening

Media Studies

Syllabus
Eduqas

Core content:
Unit 1: analysing media language and representation - 35% of A-level
Unit 2: media forms and products in depth - 35% of A-level
Unit 3: non exam assessment (NEA) cross media production - 30% of A-level

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Media Studies
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Music

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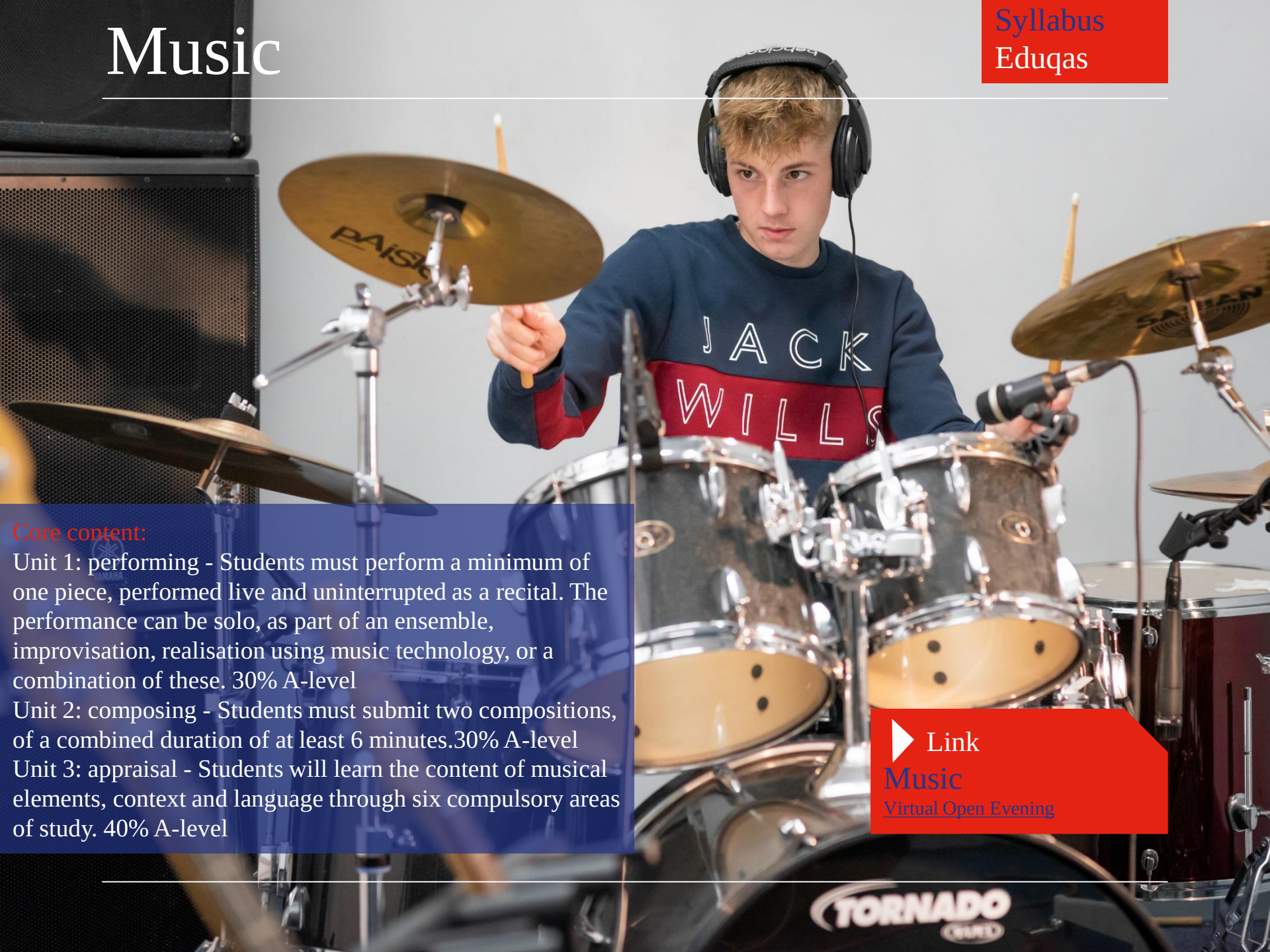

Core content:

Unit 1: performing - Students must perform a minimum of one piece, performed live and uninterrupted as a recital. The performance can be solo, as part of an ensemble, improvisation, realisation using music technology, or a combination of these. 30% A-level

Unit 2: composing - Students must submit two compositions, of a combined duration of at least 6 minutes.30% A-level

Unit 3: appraisal - Students will learn the content of musical elements, context and language through six compulsory areas of study. 40% A-level

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Music
Virtual Open Evening

Modern Foreign Languages

Syllabus
AQA

French / German / Spanish

Core content: current trends; the changing nature of the family; the ‘cyber-society’; the place of voluntary work current issues; positive features of a diverse society; life for the marginalised; how criminals are treated, artistic culture including music and cinema, aspects of political life; teenagers and the right to vote; demonstrations and strikes; politics and immigration, literary texts and film and an individual research project.

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MFL
Virtual Open Evening

Photography

Syllabus
AQA

Core content:

Unit 1: personal investigation. Non-exam assessment (NEA) 60% A-level

Unit 2: externally set assignment. Preparatory time and 15 hours supervised time 40% A-level

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Photography
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Philosophy, Religion & Ethics

Syllabus
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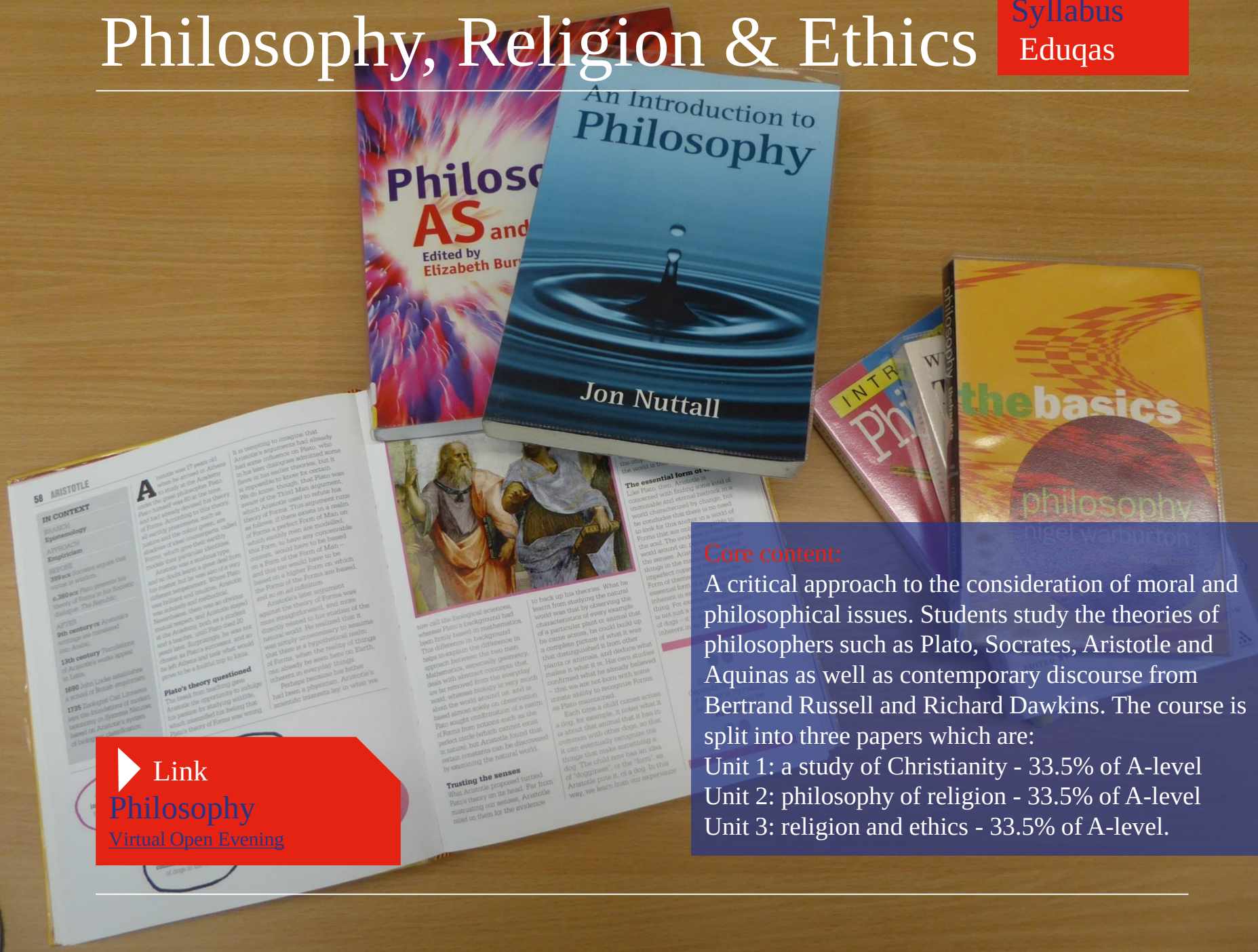

Core content:

A critical approach to the consideration of moral and philosophical issues. Students study the theories of philosophers such as Plato, Socrates, Aristotle and Aquinas as well as contemporary discourse from Bertrand Russell and Richard Dawkins. The course is split into three papers which are:

Unit 1: a study of Christianity - 33.5% of A-level
Unit 2: philosophy of religion - 33.5% of A-level
Unit 3: religion and ethics - 33.5% of A-level.

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Philosophy
Virtual Open Evening

Physical Education

Syllabus
OCR

Core content:

Unit 1: applied anatomy & physiology; exercise physiology; biomechanics - 30% of A-level

Unit 2: skill acquisition; sports psychology – 20% of A-level

Unit 3: sport and society; contemporary issues in physical activities and sport - 20% of A-level

Unit 4: non exam assessment (NEA) Performance or coaching; evaluation and analysis of performance for improvement (EAPI) 30% A-level

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Physical Education

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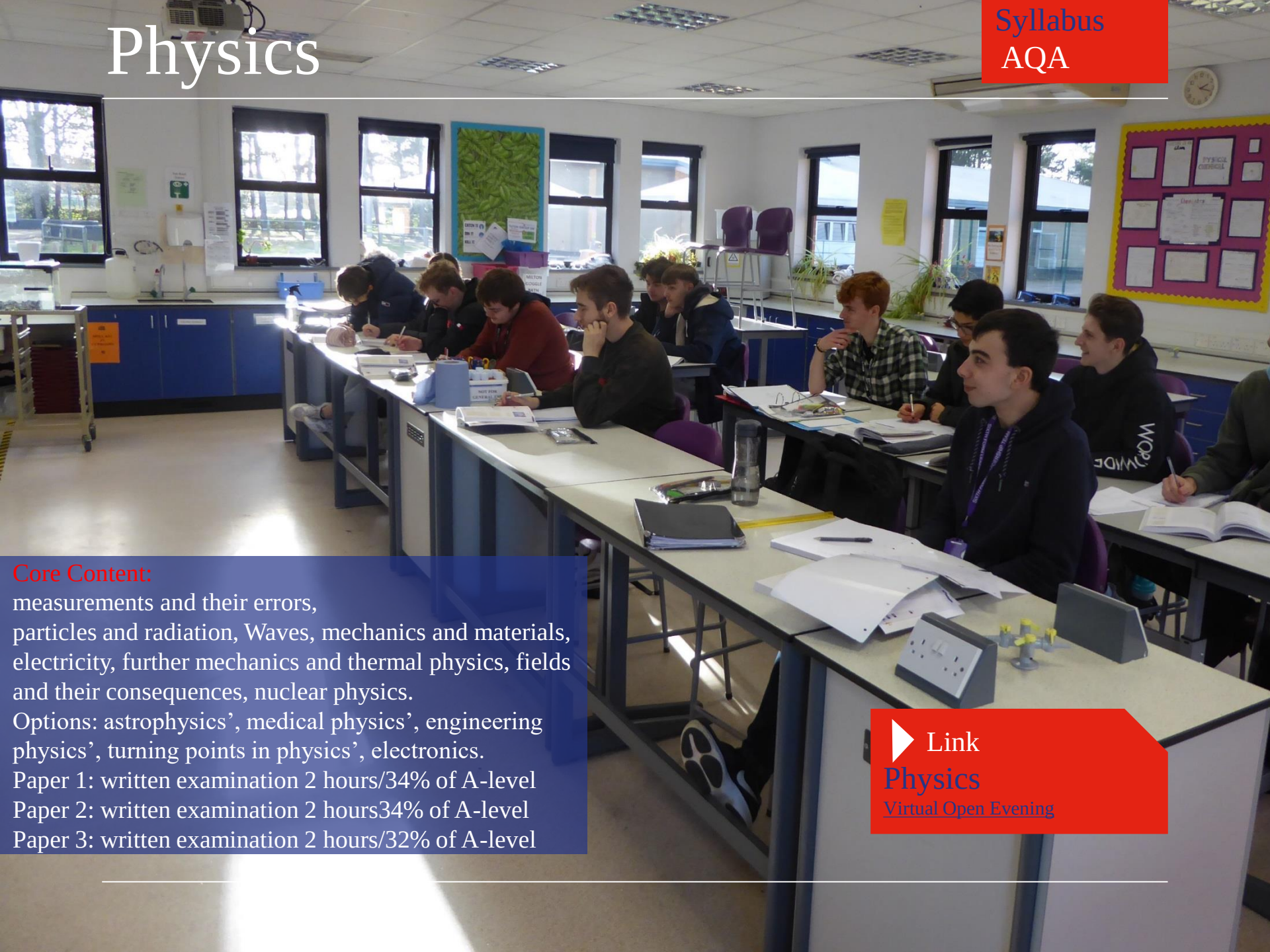
Physics

Syllabus
AQA



Core Content:
measurements and their errors,
particles and radiation, Waves, mechanics and materials, electricity, further mechanics and thermal physics, fields and their consequences, nuclear physics.
Options: astrophysics', medical physics', engineering physics', turning points in physics', electronics.
Paper 1: written examination 2 hours/34% of A-level
Paper 2: written examination 2 hours34% of A-level
Paper 3: written examination 2 hours/32% of A-level

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Physics
Virtual Open Evening

Politics

Syllabus
Edexcel

Core content:
Democracy, electoral systems, political parties, voting behaviour, the constitution, parliament, the Prime Minister and cabinet, relations between the branches, liberalism, conservatism, socialism and feminism. The state and globalisation, global political and economic governance, human rights, the environment, power, regionalism and comparative theories.

Unit 1: UK politics / core political ideas 33.3% A-level
Unit 2: UK government / non-core political ideas 33.3% A-level
Unit 3: global politics 33.3% A-level

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Politics
Virtual Open Evening

Psychology

Syllabus
AQA

Core content: social influence, memory, attachment, psychopathology, approaches in psychology, biopsychology, research methods, issues and debates in psychology and Option 1: relationships; gender; cognition and development; Option 2: schizophrenia; eating behaviour; stress; Option 3: aggression; forensic psychology; addiction.

Unit 1: introductory topics in psychology - 33.3% A-level

Unit 2: psychology in context - 33.3% A-level

Unit 3: issues and options in psychology - 33.3% A-level

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Psychology

Virtual Open Evening

Psychology Bonus

Sociology

Syllabus
AQA

Core Content:

Unit 1: education and research methods 33.3% A-level

Unit 2: topics in sociology: family and the media 33.3% A-level

Unit 3: crime & deviance and sociological theory 33.3% A-level

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Sociology
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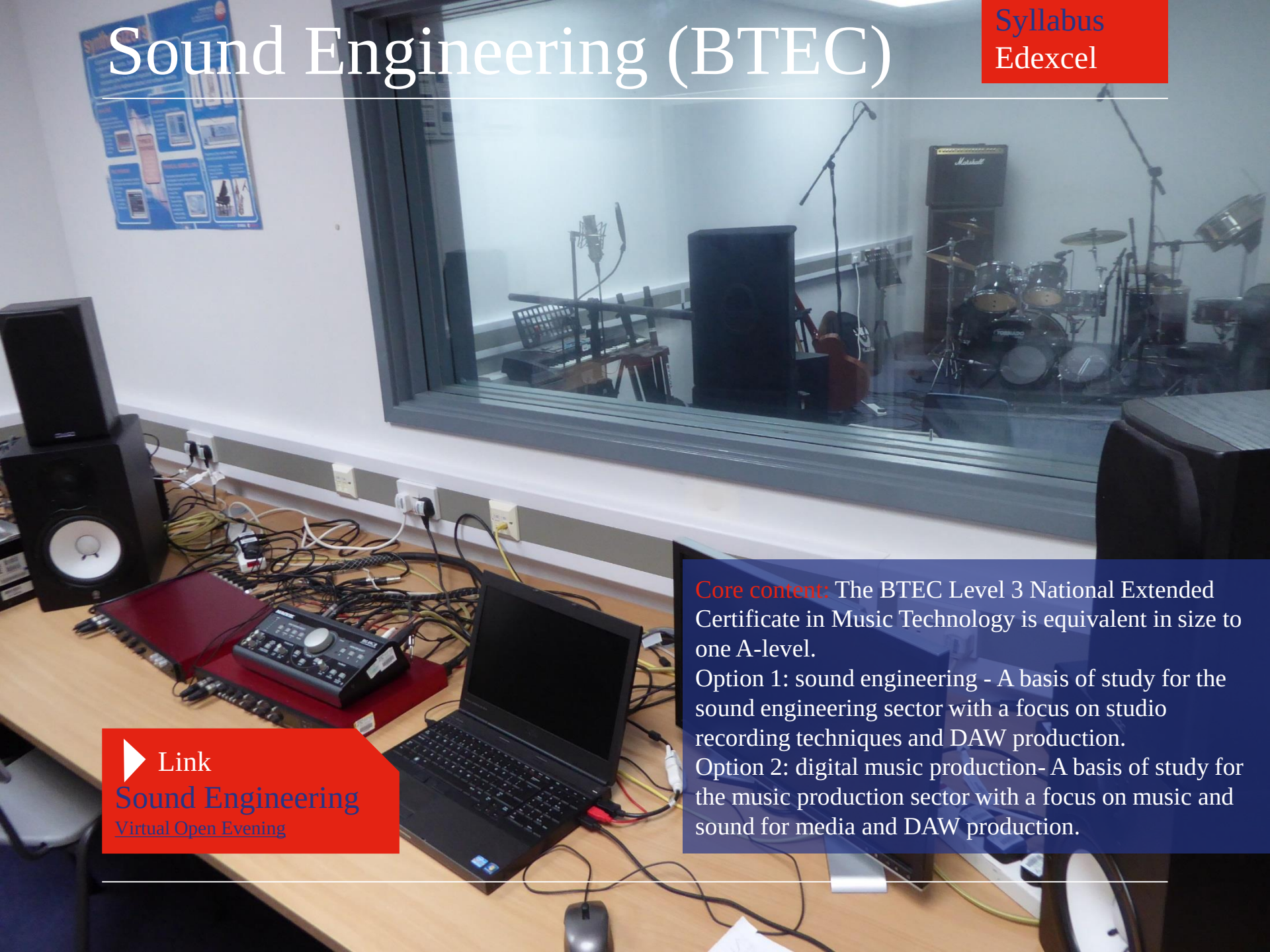
Sound Engineering (BTEC)

Syllabus
Edexcel



Core content: The BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music Technology is equivalent in size to one A-level.
Option 1: sound engineering - A basis of study for the sound engineering sector with a focus on studio recording techniques and DAW production.
Option 2: digital music production- A basis of study for the music production sector with a focus on music and sound for media and DAW production.

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Sound Engineering
Virtual Open Evening

Entry Requirements

To gain entry into the Taverham Sixth Form for A-level studies, you will need six Grade 4s or above in your GCSEs which must include GCSE English and maths.

In a subject that you have taken at GCSE and wish to continue, a Grade 5 is recommended in that subject. Attitude to learning and attendance at GCSE will be taken into account when looking at progression within a subject.

In essay-based subjects we strongly recommend a Grade 5 in English. In science-based subjects we strongly recommend a Grade 5 in maths.

We also run resits in GCSE English and maths if required to get a vital Level 5 if you are studying the opposite style of courses.

Essay and science-based subjects are:

ESSAY-BASED SUBJECTS	SCIENCE-BASED SUBJECTS
Business Studies	Biology
Classics	Chemistry
Drama	Computer Science
English Language	D&T Product Design
English Literature	Economics
French / German / Spanish	Health & Social Care
Geography	Physical Education
History	Physics
Media Studies	Psychology
Philosophy & Ethics	
Politics	
Sociology	

We do have specific entry requirements for the following specialist courses:

SUBJECT	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Art	At least a Grade 5 in Art
Core mathematics	At least a Grade 4 in Maths
Mathematics	At least a Grade 6 in Maths
Further mathematics	At least a Grade 7 in Maths
Music	At least a Grade 5 in Music if taken

How to apply

We look forward to receiving your application. To make an application visit **www.helpyouchoose.org** to apply online.

In addition to this an application form is available to collect from the Sixth Form Office as well as being available on the school website to be downloaded. Applications must be emailed directly back to **6thform@taverhamhigh.org.** Alternatively, you can return it by hand or post, addressed to Ms Frances Higson.

Students will be offered a provisional place after being interviewed by the Sixth Form Leadership Team.

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