

College Monitoring Points

At key points in the year, we report on student progress – we call these College Monitoring Points (CMPs). You can view the most recent CMP by visiting the [Huish Parent Hub](#), or by asking your young person to show you their grades on their Student Hub.

Year 1 students have a **RAG rating** to give an indication as to how well they are getting on in relation to their attendance, Huish 30 completion, classroom engagement, and behaviour.

There are multiple areas of concern, or one area of serious concern. Appropriate interventions are underway, and this is reflected on the student's Hub.	There is at least one area of concern. Appropriate interventions are underway, and this is reflected on the student's Hub.	The student is engaging well in and out of lessons and, if offered, with support/interventions. They are completing work set to deadline. There might be praise on the student's Hub.
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In addition, all students have been given a Current Working Grade (CWG). This grade reflects how a student is currently working, based on a range of evidence from recent formal and classroom assessment.

Year 1 students have also received their Mock Grades (for subjects where mock exams took place).

Teachers have been setting work and target setting so that students are able to continue to make progress over the summer break.

UCAS

All Year 1 students should now have registered with the UCAS Hub, linked their application to Huish, and begun their 2027 UCAS application. Students not intending to apply to university are still encouraged to create a UCAS Hub account, as it also provides support for apprenticeships, gap years, employment, volunteering, and more.

Students should also have completed a Reference Request Form, outlining their intended degree, any extenuating circumstances to be considered, and whether they are planning an early application. This information is used to prepare their reference. Any students who missed this tutorial should contact the Careers & Progression team for further guidance.

University of Bristol - Contextual Offers

We have recently been informed that we are no longer included on the University of Bristol's aspiring state schools/colleges list.

The list of aspiring state schools used by the University of Bristol to determine eligibility for contextual offers is based on national government datasets. These datasets are updated annually to identify schools across England with lower rates of progression to higher education and/or lower average attainment. As a result of our particularly strong outcomes last year, it appears that our institution no longer meets the criteria for inclusion on this list

As a result, Huish students will no longer automatically receive a contextual offer. However, students can still be considered individually if they meet the university's contextual criteria, as is the case for most institutions. The University of Exeter remains an exception and continues to offer contextual offers to all Huish students, typically two grades below the standard offer.

Employment and Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are increasingly competitive, but recent students have successfully secured opportunities across a wide range of sectors and locations. Preparation and networking are essential. Students are encouraged to use the summer to gain relevant work experience (either online or in person), develop a CV and cover letter, and research apprenticeship opportunities and application processes.

CareerFest

Our annual careers event will take place on Thursday 2 July and promises to be bigger and better than ever. CareerFest is a unique opportunity for Year 1 students, featuring a four strand carousel:

- Your Future Talk - delivered by the Principal and Vice Principal
- Mini Talks – a choice of two 20-minute sessions from topics such as personal statements, CVs and applications, gap year opportunities, plus a talk specifically for those unsure of their next steps
- Careers Fair - featuring over 40 employers, more than 20 universities, and a photobooth

- The Power of Local Connections - hosted with Taunton Chamber of Commerce

Students will receive a briefing in the morning and take part in a reflective tutorial at the end of the day. Lunch will be held on the Willow Lawn, with entertainment and activities including a magician, caricature artists, BBQ, DJ, the Huish Tiger, and doughnuts and ice cream. This is an essential, one-off event for all Year 1 students that can't be repeated!