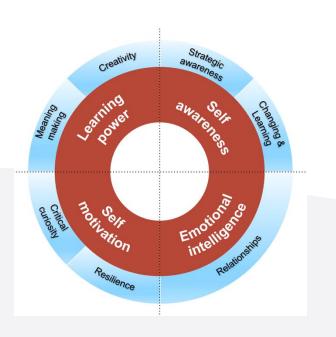


ST. NINIAN'S SIXTH FORM AN INTRODUCTION TO YEAR 12

Information for parents and students



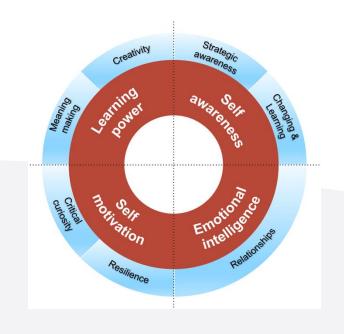


SNHS SIXTH FORM

- A community of active learners
- A variety of different pathways
- Supportive and specialist Sixth Form Team
- Experienced A level teachers
- Biggest choice of courses on the Isle of Man
- A strong pastoral programme







RESULTS AND DESTINATIONS

RESULTS 2025

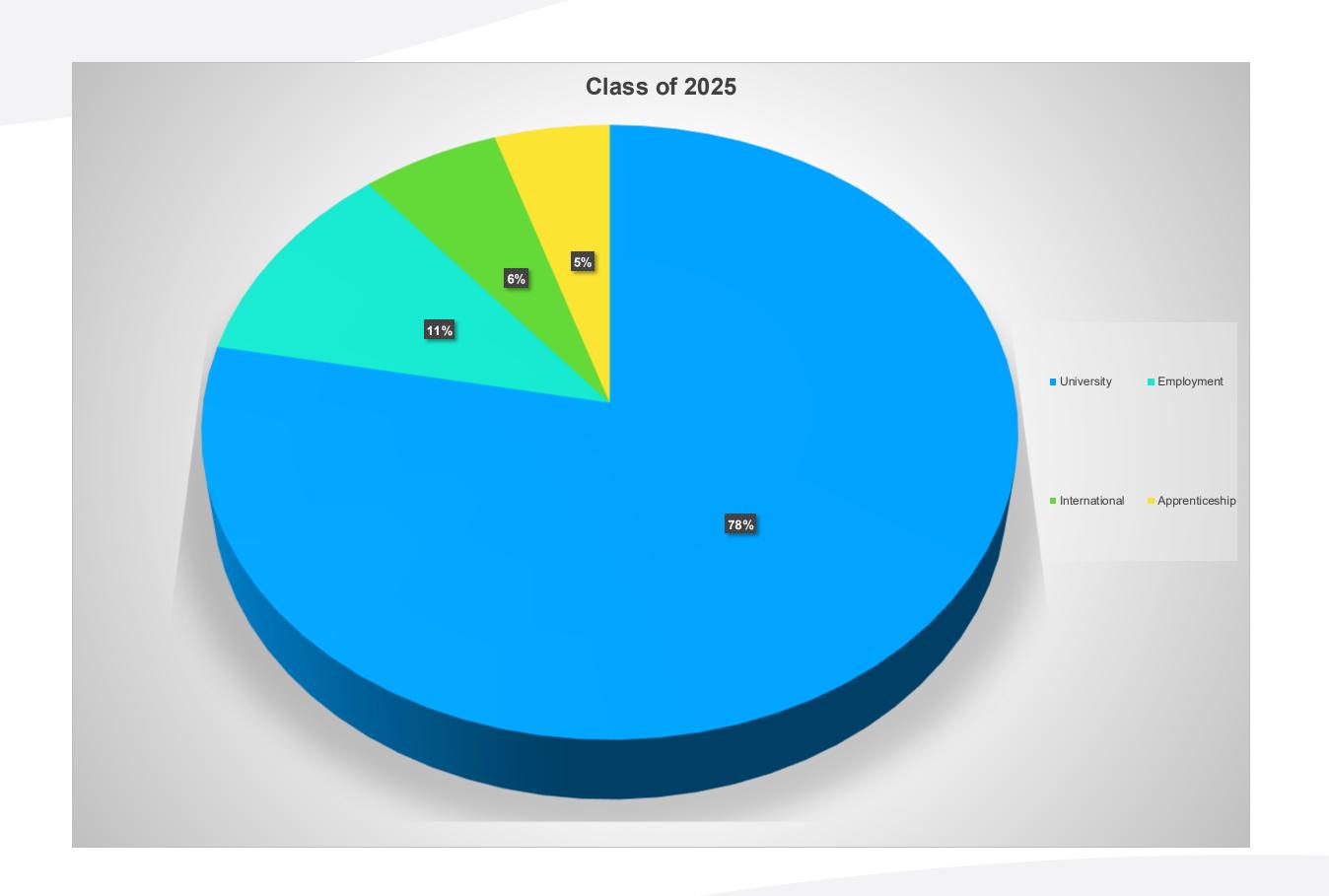
A*-A 20.3% (21%)

A*-B 53.7% (**50**%)

A*-C 82.8% (81%)

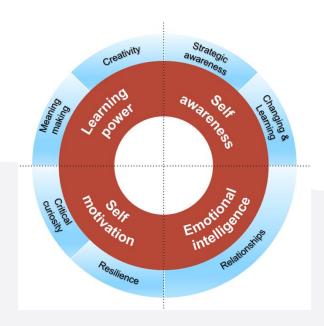
A*-D 94.1% (90%)

A*-E 100% (98%)









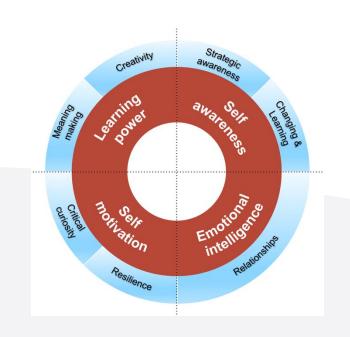
Top 25% in the UK for results

THETEAM

- Mr Schofield Head of Sixth Form
- Mrs Daugherty Assistant Headteacher (Sixth Form)
- Mrs Strickett Student Support *Tutor Team:*
- Miss Murray12A
- Mr Clements12B
- Mrs Needle12C
- Miss Sharpe12D
- Mrs Aldridge 12E
- Mr Makins 12F







THE TEAM

- A team of experienced tutors
- Sixth Form specialists
- First point of contact
- Mentors/Coaches
- Monitoring overall progress throughout the year
- Always available should students feel they need to speak to someone
- Excellent at understanding the requirements and expectations of Sixth Form study





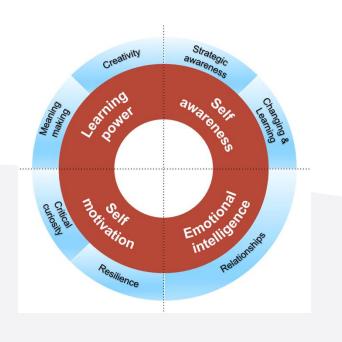


SIXTH FORM

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Scoill Ard Noo Ninian

- #ACADEMIC SUCCESS
- #PASTORAL SUPPORT
- #ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES
- #LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- #PROGRESSION PATHWAYS





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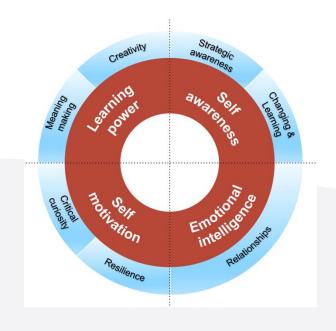
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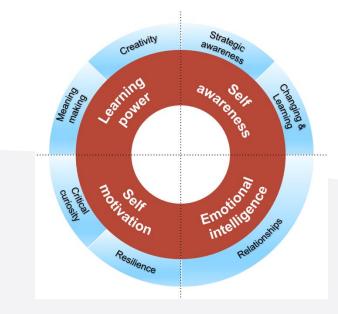
VISION

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- Figuring out why you are studying helps release extra levels of commitment, determination and positivity!
- When times are tough, high vision students can remember and relate to why they're going through difficulties or challenges.



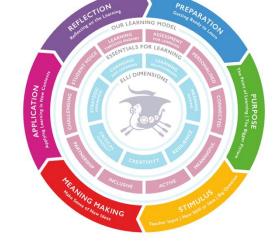
- These high vision students persist for longer and manage to remain optimistic.
- High vision students, ultimately, get the better results.

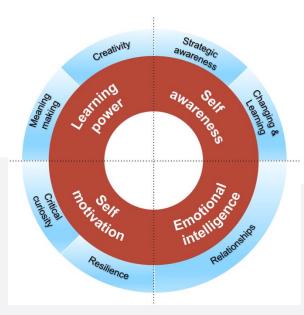


EFFORT

- The students with the best results work harder than others.
- Low effort students have the belief they are working hard too but perceptions of effort are 'personal' and 'relative'
- Two questions students should consider:
 - When was the last time you worked really hard on something? What were you doing?
 - Have you ever worked so hard on something that time just flew by?







SYSTEMS





- It allows you to see the connections between topics and ideas which in turn, allows you to understand the material more quickly.
- Organising your day means you get more done in less time.
- High systems students get better results through:
 - Organisation through collating resources to make better connections (learning)
 - Organsing their time effectively

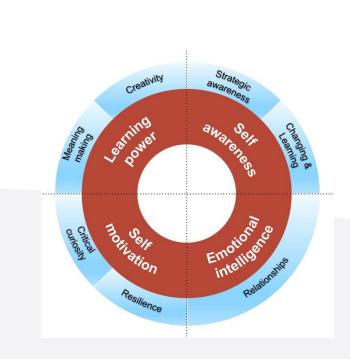


SYSTEMS

- Think about the next two questions:
 - What does your study space look like? Tidy or messy? What about your files/folders?
 - Do you stick to deadlines? Are you measured and methodical or always in crisis mode?
- Students often overlook the importance of being organised.
- Students struggling with particular academic challenge is to do with lack of organisation rather than lack of intellectual ability.
- Students will gain more from their studies if they develop their systems and ways of effective working.





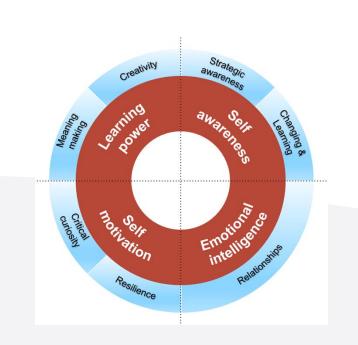


PRACTICE

- Learning isn't just memorising information!
- It's memorising information and using it to achieve certain things such as construct an argument, solve a problem, interpret data or build something new.
- High practice students get better results because they spend time practising using their information flexibly and creatively to achieve an objective.
- Low practice students stop once they've memorised their information (or stop before they've memorised it!).





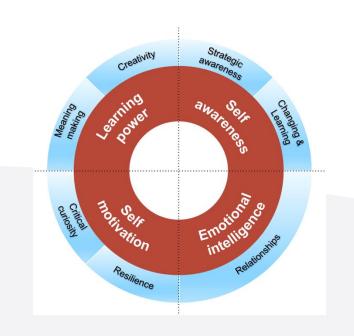


PRACTICE

- Think about the next two questions:
 - When was the last time you tested yourself?
 - How would you advise someone to revise for exams?
- Practice is distict from effort; it represents what learners do with their studies; it's the 'how' of studying.
- When learning quickly, it's the way you practice that counts.
- Top performers don't just practice hard, they practice in a particular way!







ATTITUDE

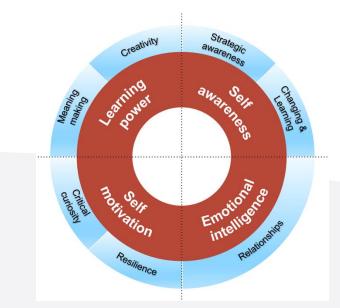
• Everyone goes through some kind of difficulties or challenges when learning.



 Some students who experience the difficulties believe they are not good enough.



- Many withdraw their effort, retreat from the challenges and evetually give up.
- High attitude students know that difficulties or challenges are to be expected.



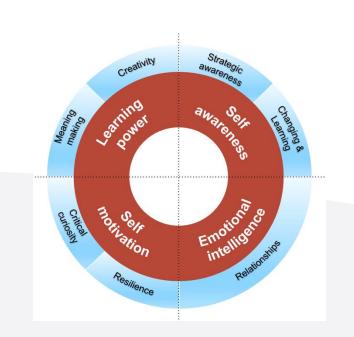
• Their success is that they keep going when times are tough and as a result, get the better results.

ATTITUDE

- So, two questions to consider:-
 - How do you respond when something goes wrong?
 - How do you learn from your mistakes?
- We know that having the right atttiude is the most important attribute and separates performance in any field
- The four aspects of attitude are:-
 - Confidence in your abilities (it is key to academic success).
 - Take control of your emotions in high stakes situations.
 - Respond positively when feedback indicates there is still a lot of work to be done to improve.
 - Have a 'growth mindset' have the belief you <u>can</u> improve!







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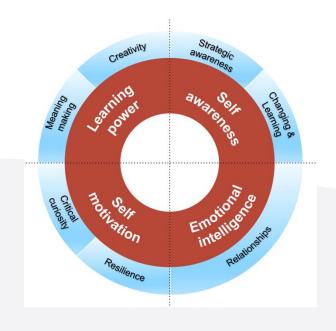
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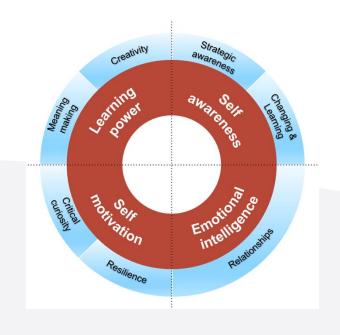
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VESPA

- VISION: they know what they want to achieve
- EFFORT: they put in the many hours of independent study
- SYSTEMS: they organise their learning resources and their time
- PRACTICE: they practice and develop their skills
- ATTITUDE: they respond constructively to setbacks







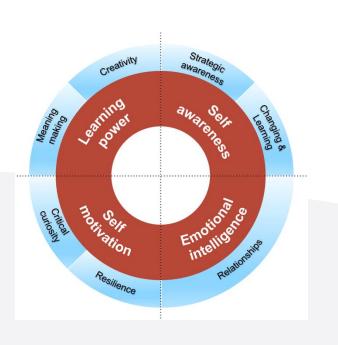
OPPORTUNITIES

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- Year 12 SNHS Group Enrichment
 - Junior Achievement Company Programme
 - One World Charity Challenge
 - Duke of Edinburgh
 - L3 Sports Leadership Award



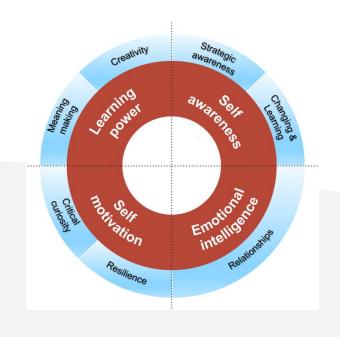


OPPORTUNITIES

- Year 12 Led Enrichment
 - Assemblies
 - Outside speakers
 - Tutorial activities
 - Drop down days
 - Seminars





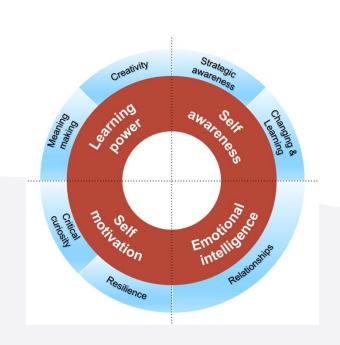


TIPS

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- Develop 'grit' in your studies
- Complete homework/revision in the <u>first 24 hours</u> of being taught
- Attend after school study support sessions
- Develop good routines from the start
- Focus on subject specific deadlines
- Opt into seminars to support learning



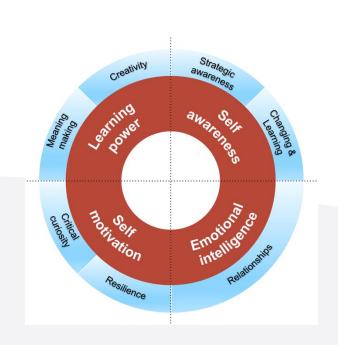


EFFECTIVE STUDY

- Find a good study space/working environment
- Try not to multi-task
- Reduce hours in part-time employment
- Limit use of mobile phone whilst studying
- Look at study/revision strategies (study-buddy)
- Use school facilities before (starting 8:00am) or beyond (until 5:00pm) compulsory school hours
- Super-curricular







A STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

- Q. Which A levels did you choose to study and why?
- Q. How did you find the transition from GCSE to A level?
- Q. How did you manage the workload during the year?
- Q. Describe your revision for AS exams; what worked and what didn't?
- Q. If you could go back in time, what would you do differently in Y12?
- Q. What would be your key piece of advice for Y12 embarking on A level study?



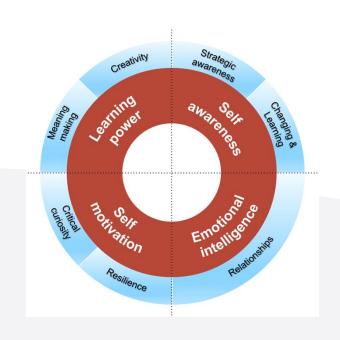


SUPPORT

- Request additional one-to-one support
 - Time management
 - Organisation
 - Revision
 - Coping with stress
 - Exam technique
- Google Classroom/Microsoft Teams
- Speak directly to subject specialists





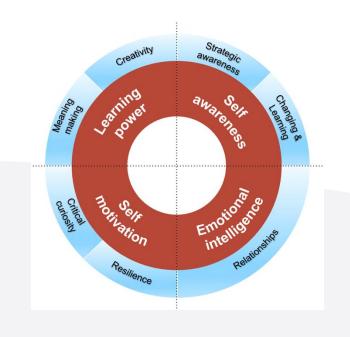


SUPPORT

- Contact your Sixth Form Tutor if you have any queries or concerns
- Look at the Sixth Form area of our school website for additional information
- **SNHSEnquiries@sch.im or**
- Telephone: 01624 648800 or
- Make an appointment to come into school







YEAR 12 - KEY DATES

- Senior Prefect applications November 2025
- Year 12 Mock Exams January 2026
- Student Leadership Team February 2026
- Study Leave (provisional) May 2026
- Return to Year 13 study 8th June 2026
- Higher Education Fair Friday 20th June 2026
- Universities Visit 2025 July 13th 17th (inc) 2026
- End of term Friday 23rd July 2026
- AS Examination Results 11th and 13th August 2026
- Year 13 return Thursday 3rd September 2026





