



# Chenderit School

## A VISUAL ARTS COLLEGE

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This year, Year 11 GCSE students, are being given access to a fantastic new online resource called PiXL Independence. PiXL Independence is a strategy across most subjects at GCSE and A Level and is designed to help your child understand what they do and do not know so that they can address any issues they have during their studies.

Your son/daughter has been provided with log on information. If parents and carers would also like these log on details, you are asked to contact the school.

Year 11 students need to become more independent because the reformed GCSEs and A Levels are more challenging. To get top marks in many of the qualifications, students need to be able to have read widely and think critically; at sixth form, college, university and the world of work, people expect young people to be independent and these resources will support your son/daughter to develop their independence and study skills.

Your child can log on and download the booklet that they want to work on, this may be a booklet your child's teacher has told them about. Each booklet has different tasks for your child to complete. Answers are available online too so they can self-assess their work and have conversations with teaching staff about misconceptions or concepts that are not secure.

Within each booklet, there are knowledge quizzes, short style questions, wider reading, academic reading and essay/exam style questions. By completing various activities, students have the opportunity to collect staff signatures for their 'passport to success' document.

### How can I help my child use PiXL Independence?

- Help them find a quiet and appropriate place to work
- Help them chunk their time into 30 minute sections
- Encourage them to remove distractions of social media for those 30 minutes
- Offer snacks/drinks when appropriate!
- Help them create balance in their work schedule
- Go on to the website yourself to see how easy it is to navigate
- Talk to them about what they do not know and need to re-visit

Thank you for all you continue to do in support of your child's learning at Chenderit School.

Yours sincerely,

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