



Year 12

For most students, the programme comprises:

- four AS level courses*
- a choice of activities from the Wider Curriculum, which includes independent project work, enrichment, citizenship activities and extension opportunities
- tutorial programme
- private study periods.

*In certain circumstances, students may choose to take 5 AS level subjects, though individual guidance is necessary to confirm the advisability of taking such a heavy programme. A few students may follow an A2 course in Year 12, if they have already achieved an AS qualification in that subject.

Year 13

For most students, the programme comprises:

- four A2 courses; or three A2 courses plus one of the following: AS level Critical Thinking, AS level World Development, AS level Science in Society or the Extended Project (AS equivalent)†
- tutorial programme
- private study periods.

In addition, some students choose to follow:

- an Enrichment course.

†In certain circumstances, some students choose to follow a Free Standing Maths Qualification (FSMQ) in addition to the rest of their programme.

Example timetables are shown overleaf.

Enrichment

All students do at least one Enrichment course in Year 12. Some courses, such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and Young Enterprise, are year-long courses. Others last for 14 weeks, and so there is an opportunity to do two courses in the year. *(See our prospectus pages 12-16 for more details.)*

The Tutorial Programme

The relationship between an individual student and her/his Tutor is a vital element in a student's experience at Hills Road. Students meet with their Tutor every week and additional time is set aside for individual support, careers guidance and other activities. *(See separate sheet on Support & Guidance and our prospectus, pages 100-101 for more details.)*

Private Study Periods

Each student has about six private study periods each week. These periods can be used at the student's discretion for study, research and homework. Students are able to use the College's Silent Study Area, the Library, and subject resource areas during these periods.

Clubs and Societies

These are, of course, entirely optional! Many students choose to take part in societies ranging from Amnesty to Debating. *(Please see separate sheet for a list of current activities.)*

Lessons last 65 minutes. The timetabled day runs from 9.00am – 4.00pm.

A typical Year 12 timetable for a student taking four subjects at AS Level

Period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1 9:00-10:05	Maths AS		Psychology AS		Physical Education AS
Changeover					
Period 2 10:10-11:15	Physical Education AS	Tutorial Time		English Language AS	Psychology AS
11:15-11:35	Break				
Period 3 11:35-12:40	Psychology AS	Maths AS	English Language AS	Physical Education AS	
12:40-13:45	Lunch				
Period 4 13:45-14:50	English Language AS	Psychology AS	Maths AS	Wider Curriculum	
Changeover					
Period 5 14:55-16:00		Physical Education AS	Enrichment <i>D of E Expedition</i>	Maths AS	English Language AS

A typical Year 13 timetable for a student taking three subjects at A2 plus AS Level World Development

Period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1 9:00-10:05		Sociology A2		Biology A2	Geography A2
Changeover					
Period 2 10:10-11:15	Sociology A2		World Development AS	Geography A2	
11:15-11:35	Break				
Period 3 11:35-12:40	Geography A2	Tutorial Time	Biology A2		Sociology A2
12:40-13:45	Lunch				
Period 4 13:45-14:50		Biology A2		Sociology A2	World Development AS
Changeover					
Period 5 14:55-16:00	Biology A2	Geography A2			