



SIXTH FORM STUDENT UPDATE

Plympton Academy Sixth Form • Wednesday 9 September 2026

STUDY CAFÉ REMINDER

The Sixth Form is open from 8:00am until 5:00pm each day for you to work independently.

After **3:15pm**, please use **Sixth Form Study Rooms 2 and 3** — the rooms by Mr Hartley's and Ms Lewis's offices — rather than H1.

Independent study expectation: the exam boards expect you to complete 9 hours of independent study per subject each fortnight — approximately one hour of study outside the classroom for every taught hour.

MOBILE PHONE REMINDER

Mobile phones should only be used in the Sixth Form area and in lessons when directed by a member of staff.

Phones should not be seen around the rest of the school site. If a phone is seen being used where it should not be, it will be confiscated by a member of staff.

Please help us to maintain a focused and professional environment across the Academy by keeping phones away when you are outside the Sixth Form area.

NEXT STEPS APPOINTMENTS

Next Steps appointments are available with IHA.

These are an opportunity to discuss your plans, ask questions and get support with your next steps.

To book an appointment, sign up for an available slot on the appointment sheet outside IHA's office.

LESSONS FROM AUSCHWITZ

We have two places available on the Lessons from Auschwitz programme.

The programme includes:

- An in-person seminar in Exeter, working with Holocaust Educational Trust (HET) staff to learn more about the Holocaust and Auschwitz.
- A day visit to Auschwitz, flying to and from Exeter Airport and accompanied by HET staff.
- An online Next Steps seminar after the visit.
- A final piece of work, such as a write-up for our newsletter, followed by the opportunity to become a **HET Ambassador**.

For more information, dates and programme details, visit the [Holocaust Educational Trust – South West – Autumn 2026](#).

HOW TO APPLY

Write a letter to **IHA** explaining why you should be chosen to take part in the project.

DEADLINE

3:15pm on Friday 18 September

SIXTH FORM STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Year 13 — Dan F

Year 12 — Jake K

Awards will be presented in assemblies!

SUPERVISED STUDY

Supervised Study will start from Monday 14 September, in H1.

Registers will be taken and attendance at Supervised Study will contribute to your overall attendance.

ILLNESS / ABSENCE

If you are absent due to illness, please email abbie.lewis@plymptonacademy.tsat.uk AND studentabsence@plymptonacademy.tsat.uk.

If you have a **pre-arranged appointment**, please let **Ms Lewis** know and provide the relevant evidence.

If you are feeling ill during the day and need to go home, please see Ms Lewis or Mr Hartley BEFORE you go home.

TIMINGS OF THE DAY

8:40

Tutor start

11:35

Period 3 starts

2:10

Period 5 starts

If you are off-site for Break 1 or Break 2, please make sure you leave yourself enough time to sign back in before your lesson starts.

ID CARDS & LEAVING SITE

Tap your ID card against the inventory pad at Reception whenever you leave or return to site.

- **Orange** = you have registered as leaving site
- **Green** = you have registered as returning to site

Please remember that you should not leave site before 9:10am or after 3:00pm, as Reception is particularly busy at these times.

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