

GCSE Summer Course August 20-24 2018

This is a five day Course for current Year 10 students starting Year 11 in September 2018. The course will give students the confidence and knowledge consolidation to approach their Year 11 studies with confidence and enthusiasm. This will be particularly important for the more challenging reformed GCSE syllabuses.

Students will spend a day on Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Maths and one day of either English Language or English Literature. Class sizes will be small, with a maximum of 10 students per class.

Lessons will start at 9.15am and run to 4:30pm each day, with three 15 minutes breaks and an hour for lunch. Between 4.30 and 6pm and in the evening there is a programme of sporting activities (volley ball, table tennis, rounders etc.) as well as a BBQ, film nights and a farewell camp fire. There will also be some free time to relax.

We recommend that students attend on a residential basis as it allows students to bond and make their stay feel like a good mix of work and fun, enhancing their ability to learn. Attendance on a day basis is possible and will include lunch, with pick up at 6pm. Students will stay in the boarding accommodation at the school – most accommodation is in single rooms.

The centre is based in Ware, Hertfordshire with good access from the M25/A10 and from trains direct from London Liverpool Street.

We will revise some of the topics that were covered in Year 10 and, if there is time, introduce the students to some that they will encounter in Year 11. The Tutors will also go through Exam technique and answering Exam questions with the students.

Students will be able to request help with topics of their choice.

Possible topic areas could include;

- **Biology**
 - Chromosomes and DNA
 - Mitosis and meiosis
 - Genetic inheritance

- **Chemistry**
 - Atomic structure and bonding
 - Chemical calculations
 - Acids, bases and salts

- **Physics**
 - Application of Maths to Physics
 - Electricity
 - Waves

- **Maths**
 - Algebra
 - Trigonometry
 - Non calculator skills – fractions, ratios and percentages

- **English Language**
 - Language and structure
 - Comprehension skills
 - Creating short fiction pieces

- **English Literature**
 - Understanding and investigating texts
 - Comparing viewpoints
 - Structuring essays

The fully inclusive cost of the course is £1095

If accommodation is not required, the cost is £995.

To register your interest please call one of our Course Advisors on 01727 236135 or email enquiries@justincraig.ac.uk

Quote from parent following course in August 2017:

“Our daughter came home positively enthused and has had nothing but praise for the teachers and support staff. She has never experienced such a supportive and exciting learning experience. The tutors were very patient and arranged extra tuition to cover her knowledge gaps. I am amazed at the amount of additional material that she has brought home with her. We were originally quite uncomfortable about sending her away for a week with complete strangers, but she has returned home having made some firm friends and feels that she is well prepared for Year 11. Please can you pass on our thanks to all the teachers and support staff that made this week such a wonderful experience for her.”