

Study Skills

The Study Skills course at Fitzharrys is an invitation only course for students who will benefit from extra support in their learning to help them complete their homework and achieve their goals.

Taught in a small group of no more than 14 students and using a range of learning techniques including discussion, quizzes, posters, spreadsheets, PowerPoints, leaflet design, presentations, letter writing and critical thinking and reflection skills, the course helps students to develop themselves as effective learners and prepares them for some of the challenges of adult life.

Built into the course, and backed by the English Department, students have lessons in literacy to help prepare them for their exams and for their future working lives. With a focus on reading for meaning, interpretation and inference, as well as planning and organising ideas in writing, the course is aimed at students who lack confidence in these areas and need extra practice.

We also teach revision techniques and support students to create revision plans and work with them to build their skills and self-assurance. The programme is tailored to individual needs, so in Year 11 some students, with guidance and input from their Head of Year, use the sessions to work on subject areas where they know they need to improve.

This course does not lead to a GCSE qualification but is really useful and effective for those looking to move on to some sort of practical or technical training at college. The course is taught by Mrs Amos and Miss Soden.