

# Level 3 Extended Project Qualification

## EPQ



# What is Level 3 EPQ?

- EPQ is a large project that is undertaken by all students during year 12. All year 12 have a timetabled EPQ lesson.
- It is not an A level but it is worth UCAS points.
- You choose the title of your project, which means you tailor your work to something that really interests you.
- You can also choose the *type* of project you want to do; artefact or dissertation.

# Why do we insist all Year 12 complete an EPQ?

- It teaches you vital skills that are transferable to all your subjects; time management, research skills, critical thinking, the ability to apply knowledge.
- It prepares you for university; it is more in alignment with how universities assess, it is a good academic transition to university.
- It enhances your overall performance in exams; research proves that students who complete an EPQ show increased performance in other A level subjects and receive higher marks during their first year of university.
- It helps your university application; universities look favourably upon it, it helps with your personal statement and interviews.

# What do I need to do over the summer holidays to prepare for EPQ?

- Complete the 'Initial Thoughts' bridging task ready to bring to your first EPQ lesson.