

Study Buddies at Caterham School by Mr Kim Wells, Director of Learning and Teaching

By learning you will teach; by teaching you will understand. Latin Proverb

At a highly successful academic school in the top 40 for both A level results and for Value-Added, convention dictates that it is all about getting outstanding exam results. I disagree. For me, the development of independent learning skills is even more important. Isn't our priority as educators to equip our students with the transferable skills to cope with a professional life that will almost certainly involve many different jobs or even career paths? Isn't it preparing them for a world in which there is far too much information to process properly, and change is a constant? In short - what's the point of getting outstanding exam results only to founder at university because all our pupils have known in the classroom is spoon-feeding?

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