



Farmor's School

AN ACADEMY

SIXTH
FORM



FARMOR'S SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

Welcome to Farmor's Sixth Form

As Head of Farmor's Sixth Form, I'd like to offer you a warm welcome and give you a brief insight into why I believe it is such a fantastic place to study.

At Farmor's, we believe that it is vitally important that your sixth form experience prepares you for the next stage of your life and our programme here is designed to do just that. At the heart of what we offer is academically rigorous teaching in small classes with experienced staff. Around that we build a programme of Enrichment and Extracurricular Activities which allow our students to develop new passions and interests whilst studying. Our students have options to take up leadership roles and challenge themselves in ways that build confidence and develop

new skills beyond the classroom plus they have the option to join our Aspire programme for students interested in studying medicine or going on to Oxford or Cambridge.

While Sixth Form is very much about developing independence, our dedicated sixth form team are always on hand to offer pastoral support and guidance and we pride ourselves in knowing our students and going the extra mile for them.

If you'd like more information, get in touch. Or come and see what we have to offer - we'd love to meet you!



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Study programme

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Your study programme will have three A levels at its core. We offer an extensive range of subjects and ask you to choose three of these as the basis of your curriculum. You may choose these based on career ambitions at university or the workplace. For example, if you want to study Medicine, Chemistry must be one of your choices. If you want to study Law, History or English will be important. If you don't have an ambition at the moment, that is fine. You should choose on the basis of what you enjoy, are good at, or are interested in. You will have many opportunities to discuss your choices and options with experienced sixth form staff during the application process.

To your core three A levels, you can then add a further academic course if you wish. These are:

- The Extended Project Qualification
- Core Maths
- An additional A level.

Trips and visits

A variety of trips are on offer every year. Recent destinations have included: London, Oxford, Model United Nations, South Africa, New York, Bristol, Iceland and of course, our famous Three Peaks Challenge walking weekends.

For example, if you choose to study Geography, Psychology, Chemistry, Economics or Business, Core Maths would be a really useful addition that would complement the maths requirements in those A levels. If you are studying Maths A level and have achieved a GCSE grade 8 or 9, you might like to add Further Maths, especially if you are thinking of studying Maths at university.

It is important to recognise that no universities require four A levels as a minimum. High achievement at GCSE would indicate suitability for four A levels; however, we believe a more balanced curriculum to be more beneficial for those intending to continue their studies at University level. Oxford and Cambridge universities explicitly prefer students to have three A levels and the EPQ, for example.

Speakers Programme

Once a fortnight, year 12 come together for our speakers' programme to listen to a range of interesting and informative guest speakers from the world beyond school. Recent topics have included:

- My life as a spy
- Driver and passenger safety
- Personal finance
- Degree level apprenticeships
- The Bank of England
- Gap years
- University

Private study

Our purpose built Learning Resource Centre is open from 8am to 5pm during the week and provides all our students with a calm, purposeful environment for study. Our Sixth form area includes a common room, social spaces, a café, outdoor seating and table tennis tables.

Enrichment

As well as your academic courses, you will get the opportunity to participate in a wide range of activities that will give you the skills to stand out from the crowd.

Every Wednesday afternoon we offer the following options:

- Duke of Edinburgh Gold
- Rugby, netball, football and hockey
- Debate club and the Model United Nations
- Eco group
- Languages
- Table tennis
- Gym
- Creative programme

Shadow Senior Leadership Team

Leadership opportunities abound at Farmor's. We offer students the challenge of applying for our Student Leadership Team in the Spring of Y12. Roles include Heads of School; Student Presidents; Heads of House; Social Committee; Charity Committee; Well-being Ambassadors and Reading Ambassadors. The SSLT are charged with 'making a difference' across the school and wider community.

As Heads of Farmor's school, we strive to make a difference by improving the academic lives of the students, with our greatest focus being on the transition from GCSEs to A-Levels. Students at this age need both emotional and academic support. We aim support students with this to a smoother transition that will benefit all.

Heads of School: Jack Overson, Bella Kirk, Stef Cvetkovski



Application Process

New students join us every year and their differing perspectives add great value to our sixth form community.

Entry Criteria:

- A grade 4 in English and maths plus at least 3 more GCSEs at grade 4 or above. Short courses do not count.
- Grade 4 or above in the subjects you are wishing to study at A level although grade 5 would be desirable.
- Please note that some subjects have specific entry requirements, see individual subject pages for details.

Alumni Network

We have a portfolio of ex-Farmors students, who not only visit and share their experience of life post-school but run a mentoring programme to support students on to their chosen career paths.

Deadlines

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- **2nd October 2023**
Sixth form open evening
 - **October 2023**
Applications open
 - **21st December 2023**
Sixth form taster day
 - **February 2024**
Application deadline
 - **February-March 2024**
Formal interviews
 - **July 2024**
Preparatory information and handbooks sent out
 - **22nd August 2024**
GCSE results and Enrolment

Futures

Whilst many of our students go on to university, there is an increasingly exciting range of options for school leavers and we support our students to explore as many options as possible. Students interested in studying medicine or going to Oxford or Cambridge are invited to join our Aspire programme at the start of year 12 to support them in their aspirations, and from the summer of year 12, we walk students through the UCAS application process. Every week, our newsletter contains information and updates about courses, apprenticeships and job offers and Mrs Mitchell our careers advisor is always on hand to offer advice.

Farmor's is not just an academy, it is a family that inspires, supports, enables and provides not just learning but cultures and life skills that these children will take with them and use for the rest of their life.

Parent email

Getting to Sixth Form

There are lots of buses and many of our students drive in once they have passed their test. Some parents also set up lift-shares. If your household income is below £30,000 you can apply for financial support with bus fares.

Financial support

We have a bursary programme to support students who might have financial barriers to their learning. This includes payments to help with transport costs, with materials and resources, with books. You will all be given the application form and information but please ask if you need help.

There is a mutual respect between teachers and students

Student 2022





Sixth form has been fantastic for my daughter. She has been encouraged to mature and be a far more independent learner and we can't believe the improvement she has made.

Parental Exit Survey

The small sixth form class sizes that you have been able to offer really do make a difference to the students' enthusiasm and outlook and we would recommend the school wholeheartedly. Thank you.

Parental Exit Survey

Art & Design: Fine Art

You will further your skills and techniques in painting, drawing, printmaking, 3D alongside exploring, understanding and evaluating the work of Artists, Designers and Craftpeople.

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 57% | A*-C 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 5 in Graphics, Art or Photography

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- 15-hour exam in Y13 which makes up 40% of the final grade.
- Y13 students follow their own personal artistic investigation, supported by their teachers. This includes a 3000-word essay alongside sketchbook development work leading to substantial final pieces. This makes up 60% of the final grade.

Art & Design: Digital Photography

You will learn how to take good quality, well composed photographs, looking beyond the lens to use the digital camera as a tool to capture moments in time. You will work on portraiture and landscape projects, completing sketchbooks and boards for a display at the end of Y12. In Y13, you will choose your own genre of photography to research and develop.

Mrs Jo Dawson

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Results in 2022:

2022 A*-A 40% | A - C 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum grade 4 at GCSE in a creative subject.

You will need your own Digital SLR camera and a basic knowledge of editing software.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- The course is assessed in Y13 through a personal investigation including a 3000-word essay which makes up 60% of the grade and a final exam.
- 15-hour exam, the wide range of topics for which are released in March. Students are supported in preparing for this practical exam from March until May. This makes up 40% of the final grade.

Biology

This highly regarded A level covers a wide range of both traditional and modern theory. It prepares students for numerous university courses and apprenticeships. It is a multidisciplinary course: data handling, mathematics (including statistics) and practical skills are all combined with a large theory content Topics include means of transport in plants and animals, diseases, immune system, biodiversity, classification and evolution, the biochemistry of respiration and photosynthesis and genetics.

Mr Andrew Rowan

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 52% | A*-B 90%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Grades 66 in Combined Science or 666 in Separate Sciences and Grade 6 in Mathematics. If lower than Grade 6 achieved in Mathematics, you should also take the Core Mathematics option.

Exam board: OCR

Exams:

- 3 exams at the end of Y13 plus a practical assessment course which leads to a separate endorsement qualification.

Business Studies

Business Studies will be of interest to anyone who wants a career in business, is thinking of starting their own business or is curious about how businesses are run. The course provides you with the opportunity to study how businesses in the real world operate and how they make decisions. By studying examples of real businesses, you will learn about a diverse range of areas such as marketing, human resources, international business, accounts and business strategy.

Mr Peter Imeson

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 74% | A*-C 96% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus
Minimum GCSE grade 4 in
Business if studied

Exam board: Eduqas

Exams:

- 3 exams at the end of Y13.

Chemistry

This course offers a solid foundation in all aspects of Chemistry. You will explore areas of study that include Organic Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry and Physical Chemistry. In addition, you will develop a variety of practical skills, including use of scientific equipment, report writing, communication, logical thinking and reasoning as well as researching and managing risk through a range of activities.

Dr Nicola Crook

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 64% | A*-C 86% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus
Grades 66 in double science
or 666 in triple and grade 6 in
maths. If grade 6 not achieved in
maths you should also take the
core maths option.

Exam board: OCR

Exams:

- 3 exams at the end of Y13 plus a practical assessment course which leads to an endorsement qualification.

Computer Science

In a rapidly developing world, it has never been more important to be technologically aware. This course is designed to develop your knowledge and understanding of many Computing topics and solve complex problems in a variety of business, scientific and social contexts.

Computer Science is also a creative subject that involves the innovative thinking and development of ideas through software development.

Ms Helen Bristow

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 38% | A*-C 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus a keen interest in Computing. It is expected that students achieve at least a level 6 in both their Computer Science and Mathematics GCSEs to study the course.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- NEA (Non-Exam Assessment): 20% of the A level.
- Paper 1 – an on-screen exam: 40% of the A level.
- Paper 2 – a written exam: 40% of the A level.

Design & Technology Product Design

This Design and Technology course is a meaningful and thought-provoking creative course which enables students to specialise in different areas of technical processes and design skills through practical and theory tasks. Run with a fully equipped workshop students have the opportunity to specialise in different form of craftsmanship. You will investigate historical, cultural and economic influences of design as well as how technology has influenced products we use every day. You will also explore how industry approaches design and manufacture.

Ms Abi Banyard

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Results in 2022:

A*- B 53% A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 5 in a design related subject such as Resistant Materials, Graphic Design, Product Design, Fine Art, Textiles or Photography.

Exam board: Eduqas

Exams:

- 50% NEA Design and manufacture practical project
- 50% Written exams





Design & Technology Fashion and Textiles

This creative and thought-provoking A level gives you the practical skills and knowledge to succeed in the fashion and creative industries. This course is suited to you if you are interested in fashion and art textiles. You will experiment with a wide range of fabrics and techniques before refining your ideas for the final assessed pieces in the second year.

Ms Tara Parker-Woolway

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 71% | A*-C 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 4 in a design related subject such as Resistant Materials, Graphic Design, Product Design, Fine Art, Textiles, Photography, or Technical Award is ideal. However, if you are enthusiastic about the creative aspects of this course and have not studied Art or D&T subjects we would still be keen to hear from you.

Exam board: Eduqas

Exams:

- 40% externally set
- 60% through a project with the brief chosen by students

Drama and Theatre

This is a creative course on which you will watch, read and practically explore a range of plays, productions and practitioners in a variety of theatrical styles. This will help inform your own creativity as a theatre-maker in pieces that you devise, design and perform yourself.

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Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus A minimum of a 4 grade in GCSE Drama if studied or grade 4 in English.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- 40% written exam at the end of Y13
- 60% practical performance or design of text-based and devised work supported by a Working Notebook and Reflective Report

Economics

The skills and knowledge developed when studying A-level Economics will be useful in a variety of careers and degree courses.

Students are taught to think critically about a variety of economic issues, to develop the ability to write analytically, to use economic data to support arguments and to communicate clearly.

Mr Peter Imeson

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 73% | A*-C 93%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 5 in English and Mathematics.

Exam board: Edexcel

Exams:

- There are 3 exams at the end of Y13.

English Language and Literature

This course offers a fascinating insight into a diverse range of texts, both literary and non-literary. You will also have the opportunity to consider language in new ways and to write both creatively and analytically.

Ms Sue Simmonds

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 78% | A*-C 89% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 5 in English Literature and Language

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- The NEA – a language investigation of your own choosing – makes up 20% of the final grade. You will work independently on this with tutorial support from your teachers.
- 2 exams at the end of Y13 making up 80% of the final grade.

English Literature

This course offers the perfect insight into the richness of English Literature, pushing well beyond the scope of GCSE. You will study texts from across the three genres: prose, poetry and drama, and will have the opportunity to immerse yourself in some of the finest literature written in English.

Ms Sue Simmonds

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 57% | A*-C - 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 5 in English Literature and Language

Exam board: Edexcel

Exams:

- A 3000-word coursework essay makes up 20% of the final grade. This is a comparative essay and you can choose any two texts of your choice. You will work independently on this with tutorial support from staff.
- 3 exams at the end of Y13 making up 80% of the final grade.

EPQ

This is an independent research project in an area of your own interest. You are taught skills including academic research and referencing, presentation, decision-making and project management.

A supervisor supports you with individual tutorials to progress your project. You will produce an artefact and report or a research essay of approximately 5000 words. Your production log records each stage of your journey.

Ms Abi Banyard

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 43% | A*-B 65% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- 100% assessed through production log and essay / report and artefact. There is no exam.

Food Science and Nutrition

An understanding of food science and nutrition is relevant to many industries and job roles. You will be taught advanced food preparation techniques as well as learning the theory of nutrition, food safety and food science concepts. This is a modular course, and you will study 3 units which cover meeting the nutritional needs of various groups, the science of food safety and hygiene, and experimenting to solve problems of food production. Practical sessions will support the gaining of theoretical knowledge and ensure learning is a tactile experience.

Mrs Angie Cadwallader

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Results in 2021

100% Distinction

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria

Exam board: WJEC

Exams:

- Year 12 - 50% external exam, 50% internal assessment including 3 hour practical exam
- Year 13 - 50% internal assessment, 50% external assessment
- Graded as Pass, Merit or Distinction, and recognised by UCAS as equivalent to an A level.

French

You will study current issues and trends in society as well as the cultural topics of religion, history, literature, art and film. You will also have half an hour per week of one-to-one speaking sessions to develop spoken French. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to immerse yourself in the language and culture of France and therefore gain a skill for life.

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 25% | A*-B 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus
Minimum GCSE grade 6 in
French

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- Listening, Reading & Writing 50%
- Writing on film and literature 20%
- Speaking on current trends in society 30%





Geography

Geography will inspire you to learn more about the world around you. The course is topical and will develop your perceptions and stimulate your investigative and analytical skills. Course content includes both Physical and Human Geography. Physical Geography covers water and carbon cycles as well as coastal landscapes. Human Geography covers global systems and governance as well as populations and the environment. Students will take part in a residential field trip to Wales to look at coastal landforms and urban regeneration in Cardiff as well as local field trips and the possibility of international trips.

Mr Tom Wood

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 43% | A*-B 71% | A*-C 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus minimum grade 4 in GCSE Geography

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- Two exams at the end of Y13 as well as a piece of coursework that makes up 20% of the final grade. This coursework is a 4000 word individual investigation.

Health and Social Care

This course gives you the opportunity to gain the right combination of knowledge, understanding and skills required for the care sector in the 21st century.

You will study a range of units, covering building positive relationships; equality, diversity and rights; health, safety and security; anatomy and physiology; nutrition for health; and sexual health, reproduction and early development stages.

Mrs Angie Cadwallader

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Results in 2022:

Merit 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria

Exam board: OCR

Exams:

- A combination of external exams and internally assessed units take place at the end of Year 12 and Year 13.
- Graded as Pass, Merit or Distinction, and recognised by UCAS as equivalent to an A level.

History

In Y12 you will study the Soviet Experiment and look at the controversies about why it collapsed. You will also study the division of Germany after WWII through to reunification from an East German perspective. In Y13 you will study the British empire 1763-1914 including the American Revolution, early Australian history, the abolition of slavery, the Indian Rebellion and much more. You will also have the opportunity to do an historical enquiry which is a 4000 word essay on an historical controversy of your choice.

Mr Jim Speak

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 73% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 4 in History if taken. Minimum GCSE Grade 5 in English Language.

Exam board: Edexcel

Exams:

- 3 Exams at the end of Y13 which make up 80% of the final grade.
- The Historical Enquiry makes up 20% of the final grade.

Mathematics: Core Maths

Core Maths is a new course designed for post-16 students who want to continue studying maths. It will help you retain, deepen and extend your maths to be better prepared for higher education and employment. You will apply clear, mathematical reasoning to real-life problems, analyse and interpret data in various contexts and confidently deal with everyday financial maths. Core Maths is very different to GCSE maths.

Mrs Alison Lines

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Results in 2022:

A* - A 25% | A* - B 57%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus grade 4 at GCSE Mathematics

Exam board: OCR

Exams:

- There are 2 exam papers at the end of the 2 year course. This leads to a level 3 qualification, which carries the same UCAS points as an AS Level.

Mathematics

Pure maths makes up two thirds of this course: this involves algebra, calculus, exponentials and trigonometry. You will also study statistics and mechanics and learn how maths can be used to model the world around us in order to solve problems. Mechanics overlaps strongly with Physics A-level whereas Statistics deals with probability, sampling data and statistical hypotheses which overlap with Geography, Psychology and Biology.

Mrs Alison Lines

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 76% | A* - B 86% | A* - E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus
Minimum grade 7 in GCSE
Mathematics

Exam board: Edexcel

Exams:

The final exams consist of 3 two hour papers

- Paper 1 – Pure Maths marked out of 100
- Paper 2 – Pure Maths marked out of 100
- Paper 3 – Applied Maths including Mechanics and Statistics also marked out of 100

Further Mathematics

You will need a real enthusiasm for Maths and a desire to understand it at a deeper level. You may be interested in a studying maths, engineering, computer science or economics at university. In pure maths, you will encounter new topics such as matrices and complex numbers. You will also study calculus in much more depth than at A level maths. Alongside the pure modules, we offer mechanics and decisions modules. In mechanics you will look at energy, collisions and elasticity. In decision, you study a range of algorithms to solve problems.

Mrs Alison Lines

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus
Minimum grade 8 in GCSE
Mathematics

Exam board: Edexcel

Exams:

The final exams consist of 4 one and half hour papers. The first two are compulsory while paper 3 and 4 allow for a number of options.

- Paper 1 – Pure Maths marked out of 75
- Paper 2 – Pure Maths marked out of 75
- Paper 3 & 4 – Mechanics and Decision marked out of 75

Media

You will study media in all its forms including TV programmes, music videos, video games, advertising, marketing, film making, newspapers, radio, magazines, the film industry and online media including blogs. You will also study the theory of media that will allow you to both analyse these forms of media and develop the skills to produce your own pieces.

Mrs Emma Palmer

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 43% | A*-C 86% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus
GCSE grade 5 in Media if taken
GCSE grade 5 or above in English
Language.

Exam board: Eduqas

Exams:

- There are two exams at the end of Y13 as well as an NEA for which you produce two artefacts/productions. This is worth 30% of the final grade.

Music

The Eduqas Music A-Level offers you the chance to study a wide range of musical genres. It has a focus on listening, performing and composition with an emphasis on classical music and traditional notation.

The BTEC National Extended National Certificate in Music Performance offers a chance to focus on performance with one unit on the music industry and one on music theory.

We know that every student has different learning styles and musical tastes, which is why we run either the A-Level or BTEC each year based on the volume of applications we receive.

Mr Jon Driver

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Results in 2022:

A*-C 100%

Entry Requirements:

The ability to play an instrument or sing essential, ideally to Grade 5 standard. Students must be receiving regular private weekly tuition.

Exam board: Eduqas

Exams:

- 1: Appraising music 40%
- 2: Performance 35%
(Maximum of 12 minutes recorded performance)
- 3: Composition 25%
(Maximum of 6 minutes)



I am very happy with the 6th form, and both my children have benefited hugely from the encouragement, support and ethos.

Parental Exit Survey



Physical Education

Studying Physical Education takes a multi-disciplinary approach, including social, physiological, biomechanical and psychological insights into understanding human performances and as such requires a range of academic skills. A level PE is regarded as an A level Science subject when applying to courses in different fields of study. Students are fit and healthy, good communicators and team players with good social skills. They have the ability to analyse, evaluate and self-reflect. These are qualities sought after by future employers.

Mr Paul Hockey

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 22% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Grade 4 at GCSE PE if studied. Participation in a sport at club level with regular training outside school. Grade 5 in a GCSE Science is preferred.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- 2 exams in Y13 plus a practical assessment making up 70% of the final grade. This involves film evidence of performing at a competitive level and a written analysis linking to theory topics. This requires a current and serious commitment to one sport.

Physics

You will study core content including: measurements and their errors, particles and radiation, waves, mechanics and materials, electricity, thermal physics, fields and their consequences, nuclear physics and medical physics.

Mr David Tatlow

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 67% | A*-C 89% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus grades 66 in double science or 666 in triple science and grade 6 in Maths. It is preferable to also study maths at AS or A level for this course.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- 3 exams at the end of Y13 plus a practical assessment course which leads to an endorsement qualification.

Psychology

Psychology is a fascinating and incredibly popular area of study. It will help you understand human behaviour and mental processes and allow you to better understand how we think, act and feel. Why do people act the way they do? What shapes our personality? How do we learn and change throughout our life? Psychology develops valuable skills such as analysis of evidence, reasoning and evaluation.

Mr Jeremy Johnson

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Results in 2022:

A*-A 26% | A*-C 78% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus if Maths GCSE grade is below 6 then Core Maths must be taken as well.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- 3 exams all of 2 hour duration at the end of Y13.

Sociology

Why do middle class children do better at school than working class children? Why do some ethnic minority groups appear to commit more crime than others?

If you choose to study sociology you will investigate these types of questions and begin to understand more about your own motivations and behaviours. If you are fascinated by the behaviours of others and why we act the way we do, then sociology is for you. Sociology goes especially well with Psychology, Geography, English, Economics, Business Studies, Media and History.

Mr Jeremy Johnson

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 54% | A*-E 92%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus at least a grade 5 in English Language and/or Sociology. You do not need GCSE Sociology to take A-level.

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

All taken at the end of year 13:

- Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods
- Paper 2: Health and Global Development
- Paper 3: Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

Spanish

You will study current issues and trends in society as well as the cultural topics of religion, history, literature, art and film. You also have half an hour per week of one-to-one speaking sessions to develop spoken Spanish. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to immerse yourself in the language and culture of Spain and therefore gain a skill for life.

Mr Simon Pike

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Results in 2022:

A*-B 56% | A*-E 100%

Entry Requirements:

Sixth Form entry criteria plus Minimum GCSE grade 6 in Spanish

Exam board: AQA

Exams:

- At the end of Y13
- Listening, Reading & Writing 50%
- Writing on film and literature 20%
- Speaking on current trends in society 30%

Student Profiles



Student Profile:
Amy Gibbs

Achieved
A* A* A* A

Now Studying
Biochemistry at the
University of Bath



Student Profile:
Saahen Shetty

Achieved
B A A*

Now Studying
Finance, Accounting
and Management at
Nottingham



Student Profile:
Maudie Orgill

Achieved
B B A*

Now Studying
History at Cardiff

Next steps

Our UCAS system is second to none: we support our students through every stage of the application process and help them find the higher education course that is right for them including Oxford, Cambridge and medical courses.

Other popular destinations include gap years, apprenticeships, drama schools, art colleges and employment. Whatever your ambition, there is individual support, advice and guidance to help you on your way.

In addition, you will be emailed a weekly careers bulletin with a round-up of all the new opportunities available locally, nationally and globally.

In addition to locations around the UK, we have also had students move on to destinations in California, Florida, Finland, Holland, Zurich, Spain, Thailand and even Australia.





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