

SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS

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Introduction to our Sixth Form

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Welcome to Queen Elizabeth's School

A commitment to hope



“You will be secure because
there is hope” Job 11:18

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Thank you for your interest in Queen Elizabeth's School which is part of Wimborne Academy Trust.

As a Trust, our vision is to ensure that every student is celebrated as an individual and supported to achieve their full potential. As an established cross phase Trust we provide a platform for every child to succeed at every stage of their learning journey from nursery right through to sixth form.

Our children are given a broad and balanced education which prepares them well for success in their future lives. I'm confident we will meet your expectations and more.

Thank you for taking the time to consider one of our schools within Wimborne Academy Trust.



Liz West
CEO - Wimborne Academy Trust
National Leader of Education

A very warm welcome to our Sixth Form Prospectus which will give you an introduction to all that we have to offer to students in the Sixth Form at Queen Elizabeth's School.

We want all of our Sixth Form students to be successful, independent learners. We are very proud of the opportunities we offer across the curriculum and as part of our unique enrichment programme. Every student will experience a variety of enrichment opportunities to support their studies. The excellent curriculum offer together with the enrichment programme ensures that students are best placed to reach their desired future destination when they leave us at the end of Year 13.

Queen Elizabeth's School Sixth Form offers an exciting range of academic courses taught in a modern campus with superb facilities and excellent teaching. We are a school that believes in high aspirations for all of our students. All students are part of the QE family and will be supported by caring teaching staff who provide excellent support and guidance that will allow students to achieve their goals and aspirations.

I hope that you will want to join us and I look forward to the contribution we can make to your success in the future.



Mrs Katie Boyes
Headteacher



Vision Statement

Queen Elizabeth's School is one where we have the highest expectations and aspirations for every member of our school community. As a Church of England Academy, we are rooted in our Christian Faith and reaching out to everyone. We aim to provide all students with an exceptional education, a wide range of opportunities and extra-curricular activities, and a chance to be part of and contribute to a strong community. All members of the QE family are valued and supported to ensure that they feel secure allowing them to achieve their very best.

We are a school where every student has access to a broad, challenging and inspiring curriculum that provides them with the very best opportunities to flourish and achieve their aspirations. We aim to develop our students into confident learners who are resilient and resourceful in their approach to education and to life and who develop a love of learning.

As a member of the QE family students are nurtured as individuals through a pastoral system that has student wellbeing its very heart. Central to this is the kindness and respect shown by all within the school.

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/// The leadership team have established a holistic approach to the education and development of pupils which is rooted in the Christian ethos of the school and in a commitment to valuing and developing each individual. /// SIAMS Inspection 2018

A Welcome from the Sixth Form

QE Sixth Form is already seen as the natural choice for students moving up from the main school and is attracting increasing numbers of students from other schools due to the extensive curriculum on offer. On top of this, we offer a wide range of enrichment opportunities allowing students to broaden their experiences whilst meeting their individual needs and aspirations.

Sixth Form students are able to work in an environment where they feel valued and included, from their own designated Sixth Form area to the breakout spaces around the school. Students not only work brilliantly together making friends for life but develop excellent relationships with staff allowing them to make progress and be successful, independent and confident learners.

We have a superb pastoral system to aid and support students so that they are happy, will thrive and be successful in what they do. Furthermore, there is an extensive extra-curricular programme including: careers, apprenticeship and university guidance; a wide range of sporting activities; visiting speakers; trips far and wide – from Swanage to New York; fieldwork trips; music and drama; ending the two years with the Year 13 Ball. Whatever your interests and aspirations there will be something for you.

Not only do the students receive excellent teaching and support to help them reach their goals but they have such a positive ethos; our students are exceptional role models to the lower school students and are the best ambassadors for the school.

Sophie Dean
Head of Sixth Form



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/// QE has helped me develop as a person. My confidence has improved and I've exceeded my expectations academically. ///

Recording at the World Famous Abbey Road Studios



Unlocking a World of Opportunities

Sixth Form education is an exciting time of your life and a successful and rewarding experience over the next 2 years will unlock a world of opportunities for you.

The facilities for Sixth Form study are outstanding with a purpose built, supported study room, common room, break out spaces and lessons taught in state of the art classrooms. At the beginning of your journey you will select subjects that are important to you, creating classes where all involved have a clear desire to broaden their knowledge. Sixth Form classes are always of an appropriate size to maximise learning and students value the excellent relations with staff and the opportunity for greater group-based and 1-1 guidance and support. Lessons will challenge you to always give of your best and you will broaden your knowledge and understanding of subject areas through directed self-study outside of lessons.

A programme of information, advice and guidance on the next steps exists for all students throughout their time in the Sixth Form. We also provide further mentoring for anyone considering undergraduate study at Oxbridge and other Russell Group institutions.

If you've made the choice to study further, choosing QE will see you join a vibrant and confident community that is focused on achievement, celebrates success and works to provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to achieve your own goals in life.



/// QE has given me the opportunities I need to pursue the career I want. ///



Enrichment and Leadership Opportunities

The Sixth Form staff are all on hand to meet with each applicant before they enter the Sixth Form to help them make the right choices. The same team are there to offer advice, support and guidance on your studies.

We also have a dedicated careers team to support you with the next steps after Sixth Form including expert advice on university entry, apprenticeships and employment.

As well as a wide range of A-Level and Vocational qualifications we also offer a comprehensive enrichment programme which helps support students develop skills in addition to their curriculum studies.

All Sixth Form students are members of one of our five houses and students are expected to take on leadership roles within the school and help shape the individual ethos and vision of their tutor group and house.

Team QE is our high profile Sixth Form student leadership team. Led by the Head and Deputy Head students, these leaders are whole school ambassadors, encourage high expectations of all and are very much the public face of QE at whole school events.

In nurturing self-reflection and independence we support the development of successful and confident adults who have a clear vision for the future, and go on to achieve their goals and ambitions.

/// QE has encouraged happiness, inspiration and a willingness to achieve. ///



/// The education at QE is not restricted to exceptional academics, here we are prepared for life. ///



Example Student Destinations

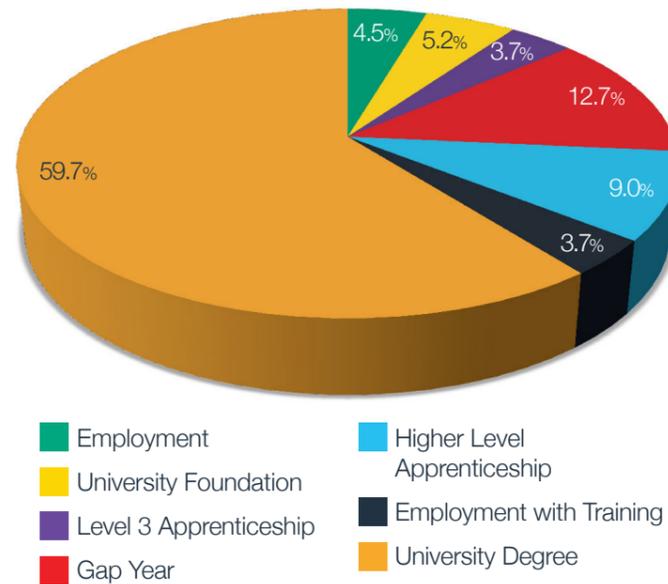
University Courses:

- Physics with Astronomy at Southampton University
- Mathematics at Exeter University
- Microbiology at Imperial
- Aeronautics and Astronautics at Southampton University
- Sports Technology at Loughborough
- Theatre Sound at The Royal Central School for Speech and Drama
- Law at York University
- Digital Games Development at Brighton University
- Oxbridge
- Dentistry

Apprenticeships at:

- JP Morgan
- R&W Engineering
- Cobham PLC
- Dorset Council

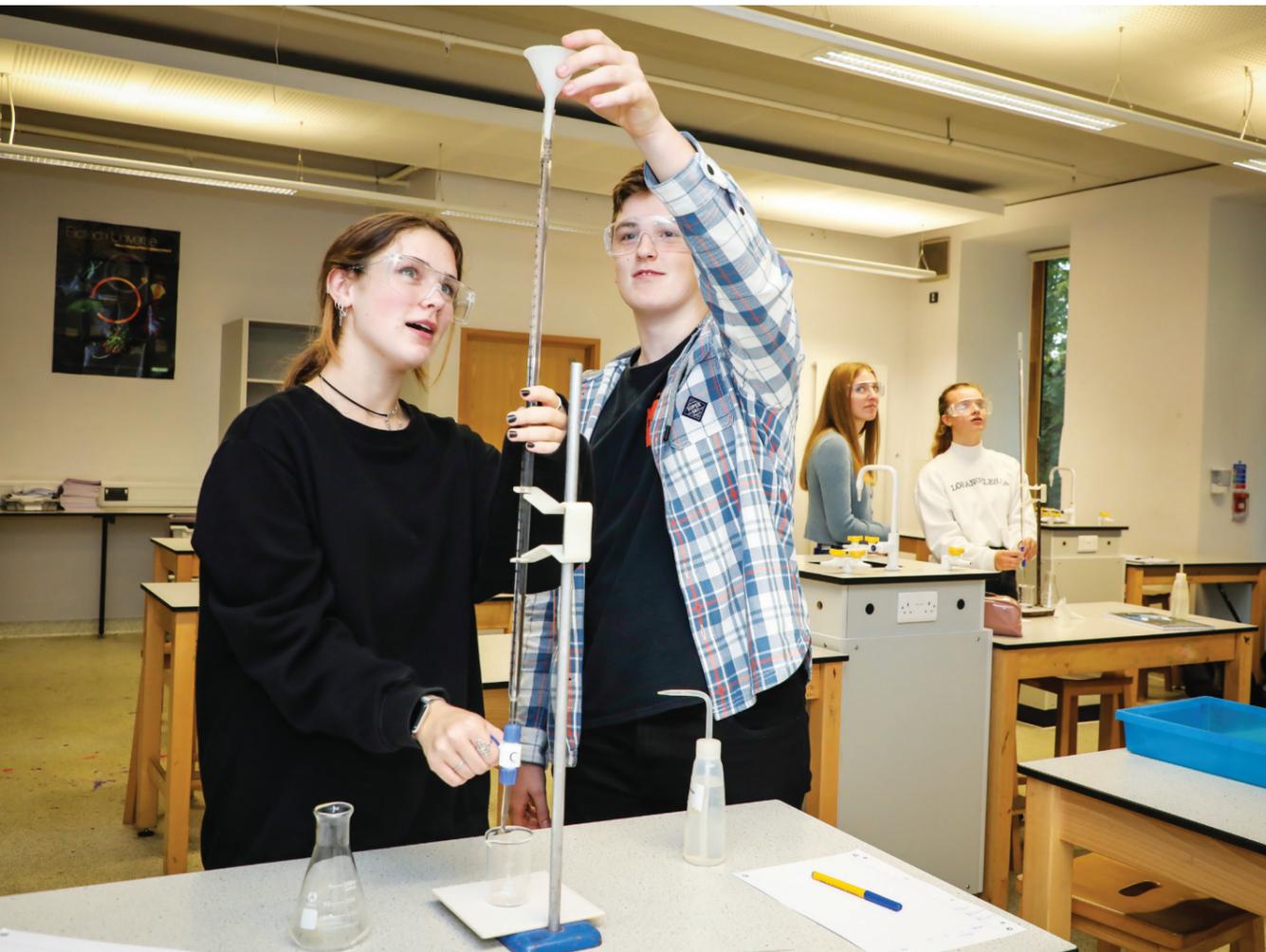
What is your intended destination Post-18?



UCAS Tariff table for Qualifications

The Tariff Table below will help you decide which courses are required to enable you to progress onto the next part of your journey. Further education courses and some apprenticeships will require set grades or set tariff points - the table will help you check you have selected what is needed.

Tariff Points	A Level	EPQ	AS Level	BTEC Nat Diploma	BTEC Nat Extended Certificate
112				D*D*	
104				D*D	
96				DD	
80				DM	
64				MM	
56	A*				D*
48	A			MP	D
40	B				
32	C			PP	M
28		A*			
24	D	A			
20		B	A		
16	E	C	B		P
12		D	C		
10			D		
8		E			
6			E		



How to apply:

A letter of application and an application form are needed to apply.

Complete the **Application form** found online or request a paper version. Complete all of the information, making sure you add the correct options in the correct block boxes (an option block list is also available online).

Sign the form and get signatures from parents/carers and tutors then return the form to the Sixth Form office by the allocated deadline. Do remember to include your **letter of application** too.



Programmes of Study



Programmes of Study at Queen Elizabeth's School consist of a tutor programme, 3 academic courses (4 in some cases) plus an enrichment course. All are designed to prepare you for further education, an apprenticeship, employment or training. The academic courses could consist of A Levels, BTECs or a mix of both. The courses selected will make up your Pathway, of which there are 3: A Level, Mixed Pathway and Professional.

The courses available as part of the Programme of Study are subject to achieving the entry requirements. These are outlined in the table below. All courses are linear and last for 2 years.

Work Experience can be part of the Study Programme but this needs to be organised with the Head of Sixth Form once you have been accepted into Queen Elizabeth's School.

	Courses	Entry Requirements
A Level	All A Levels (3 or 4 A levels)	Grade 9-6 ideally including English/Maths with individual subject requirements
Mixed Pathway	Mix of A Levels and BTECS	Grade 9-5 ideally including English/Maths with individual subject requirements
Professional	BTECs/Core Maths/AS Maths	Grades 9-4 ideally including Eng/Maths with individual subject requirements
Level 2	GCSE English and Maths retakes	Grade 3 in English/Maths
Enrichment to add to your Programme of Study	Various	(EPQ 9-6 in English)



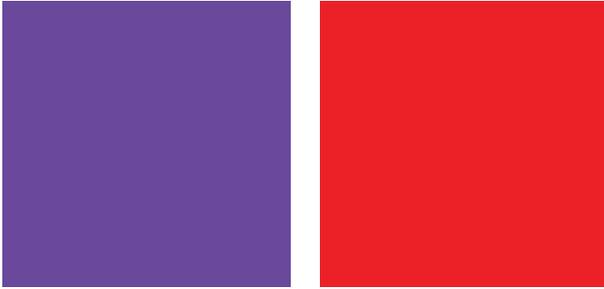
Sixth Form option blocks 2021

3 options need to be selected from Blocks A to D. An Enrichment also needs selecting from Block E.



Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D	Block E (Enrichment)
Chemistry	Biology	Chemistry	Biology	Core Maths - UCAS Points
Physics	Further Maths	Maths	Physics	Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) - UCAS Points
Maths	Economics	English Language and Literature	Maths	Level 3 European Computer Driving License (ECDL) - UCAS Points
English Literature	Psychology	Psychology	Computer Science	Arts Award UCAS Points
Business	History	Geography	Philosophy and Ethics	Sports Leaders UK Level 3 - UCAS Points
Politics	Sociology	Graphics	History	Level 3 LAMDA Examinations - UCAS Points
Geography	Photography	Media	French	Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE)
Art	Design and Technology	Dance	Music	Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)
Spanish			Textiles	QE Productions
Theatre Studies				Junior Athlete Education
PE				Football
Business Diploma	Sport Extended Certificate	Business Extended Certificate	Business Extended Certificate	Work Experience Extended
Health and Social Care	Sport Diploma	Sport Diploma	Business Diploma	GCSE English
Performing Arts Diploma	Music Practitioners Subsidiary Diploma	IT Extended Certificate	Performing Arts Diploma	GCSE Maths
Performing Arts Extended Certificate	Professional Maths	Applied Law Extended Certificate		

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