



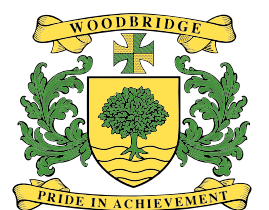
WOODBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS

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# Welcome

A very warm welcome to Woodbridge High School.

Woodbridge is a modern, caring, multi-cultural comprehensive school. The students are a credit to themselves and the school. They are smart, hardworking, respectful and upbeat. There is a real flavour of ambition and enjoyment here.

The sixth form is extremely popular and oversubscribed, catering for a broad spectrum of abilities and interests. The majority of students stay on after their GCSE examinations and are joined by an ever increasing number of external applicants choosing to study at Woodbridge.

Woodbridge is a high-achieving school with students performing beyond expectations. Examination results are excellent, demonstrating a rising trend year on year. You have every reason to be confident about the school for the next stage of your education. The curriculum has been adjudged by Ofsted as outstanding, as it offers a very diverse range of courses. Each year, many of our students progress to universities, including Oxbridge and those in the

Russell Group. You will receive excellent leadership and support through your form tutor and Head of Sixth Form. Your teachers are talented, experienced and completely committed to helping you.

Our students have many opportunities and responsibilities. Their views are very important. They are represented by the head girl and head boy, as well as form and student council representatives. They take the lead on a variety of activities across the school, including supporting younger pupils, enterprise activities, charity work and service within the local community.

We look forward to working with you and your parents.



Andrew Beaumont  
Headteacher



## Curriculum

Woodbridge 6th form offers a modern and diverse curriculum. At Post-16 level, we have a commitment to provide the most relevant and sought-after courses that best suit the needs of our students. A broad spectrum of courses are on offer, from traditional A Level subjects through to Level 2 and 3 vocational courses.

Students are guided towards a programme of study that best reflects their academic strengths. The vast majority of our students undertake one of the following programmes:

- A combination of 3 or 4 AS subjects
- A mix of vocational Level 3 courses and AS Subjects
- A full vocational curriculum

The 6th Form offers real flexibility with opportunities for specialisation. Our aim is to help students achieve their potential, and to prepare successfully for transition to university and other career-related pathways.





# Academic Monitoring

All students will be monitored in terms of their academic achievement throughout the year. The students can expect the following:

- Regular academic interviews with tutors and subject staff
- Individual mentoring for students who may be underachieving
- Ongoing communication with parents
- Continuous use of assessment data to allow the student to gauge their progress in light of their potential achievement

# Learning and Teaching

Student-centred, independent learning is a key aspect of the 6th Form. Students are encouraged both in lessons and tutor sessions to discuss their progress and track their performance. Each student is expected to know their current attainment and how to progress to their target grades.

Teaching staff use their expertise and specialist knowledge to inspire and motivate each student to fulfil their potential. Outstanding teaching and learning permeates all 6th form lessons.



# Our Commitment to You

The progress and welfare of every student truly matters. Our 6th form students played an integral role in shaping the school's code of conduct. It is based on each student's right to learn in a positive, supportive school. The students appreciate the value of respect and responsibility. They are rewarded when they do well. They are taught about healthy, safe lifestyles.

The 6th form is well-ordered and purposeful. Our students know that care and support is always available. They display exemplary manners and are courteous by nature. Clear and coherent pastoral systems allow firm action to be taken when needed.

The 6th form students are provided with a common room, a dedicated independent learning area for private study, as well as an ICT suite. In the light of the rapid growth of the 6th form, the school has successfully acquired significant funding to expand these essential resources. Our commitment is to provide a quality environment for our students.





# Private Study

All students will have supervised private study sessions on their timetable. This provides students with structure to their day and allows them to manage their time effectively. All subject staff will provide extra reading and research to allow students to become confident in their understanding of all relevant subject material.



## Making the Most of Your Potential

The students receive specialist teaching in all subjects. They are regularly informed about their progress and asked to reflect and evaluate to make further improvements. Relevant, challenging tasks are provided in the classroom and set for home learning.

Independent study is paramount to their continued success. Subject teachers provide support and guidance to ensure students make positive progress. We have a wide-ranging programme for meeting each 6th form student's learning needs.





## Attendance and Punctuality

Students have one registration session in the morning, which is compulsory to attend. This gives them their attendance mark for the day.

Tutors will monitor students' attendance to morning registration and will contact parents if their son/daughter is continually absent or late. Please note that all sixth form students are required to achieve a 95% attendance target for the year.

Regular academic interviews take place during the registration period, providing students with individual guidance and support.



# Extra Curricular Opportunities

A successful school 6th form should provide an enriching, rounded experience that goes beyond the classroom. Our students are offered a range of activities to develop, broaden and enrich their interests.

Woodbridge has a strong sporting tradition, providing opportunities for the full ability range. Music and Drama play a key role in the life of the school. A multitude of events are planned and performed by our 6th form students, including Music Concerts, Black History Month activities, Musicals, Souk markets and talent shows.

The school actively provides opportunities for regular engagement in community service, enabling students to develop and demonstrate the key life skills, essential for their future aspirations. Categories for community service include:

- Peer mentoring
- School radio
- Sixth form magazine
- Departmental lesson support
- Working in local primary schools
- Sports Leadership
- Music and Drama productions

In addition to the above, 6th form students are offered a number of residential visits, both home and abroad, that enhance and complement their learning. Our students represent the school magnificently on these occasions.



## Student Voice

We firmly believe that all students should be given the opportunity to express their views and concerns at appropriate forums. 6th form students can put themselves forward for the position of head boy and head girl. The successful candidates are elected by the student body and are expected to take a lead in student representation.

In addition, we have a team of 6th form ambassadors, who provide a valuable link between the 6th form and younger students in the school.

These positions of responsibility allow students to interact with a range of people, and develop leadership and interpersonal skills. Finally, it leads to our students presenting themselves as positive role models to both the school and wider community.



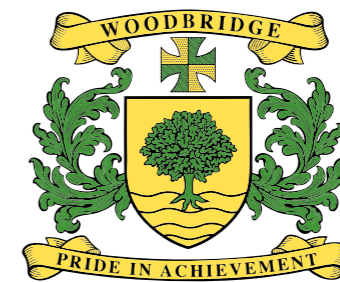
# Working in Partnership with Parents

Woodbridge values highly its relationship with the parents of our students. Parents are fundamental to successful student progress. They are kept fully informed of the curriculum, enabling them to provide knowledgeable support for the students.

Consultation evenings are opportunities for detailed discussion between parents, students and staff.

Regular communication of target grades and current attainment levels allows parents to track progress and aspirations.

Woodbridge values parental contributions and feedback as we seek to provide the best education for our students.



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