

Welcome to our Sixth Form Open Evening Tuesday 17th October 2023



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“I already knew the staff, building and students here so I felt like I could trust the school to help me achieve and reach my full potential”

ON, Year 13

“The classes are smaller so the teachers can focus on individual students if they need help”

J M, Year 13

“How academic the school was - the teachers when at GCSEs were amazing so that’s what made me come here. Furthermore I knew what we would be learning prior to the start of year 12”

J M, Year 13

“I am incredibly close to a few members of staff which really does help me feel safe and secure. If I am honest, I feel as though I could go to any of my teachers with a problem and feel as though I could talk to them comfortably to get it sorted.”

L S, Year 13

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Mr B West

Director of Sixth Form

***Making the right choice for
an amazing future***

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Purpose of the Evening

To help make informed and supported choices about next steps after Year 11 and to give an overview of the 6th Form provision at Garibaldi. Including:

- Achievement
- Ofsted
- Support systems in place
- Subjects offered
- Our partnership with Meden
- A typical week for a Sixth Form student
- The Sixth Form Centre (renovated!)
- Plan for this evening



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School leaving age

<https://www.gov.uk/know-when-you-can-leave-school>

England

You can leave school on the last Friday in June if you'll be 16 by the end of the summer holidays.

You must then do one of the following until you're 18:

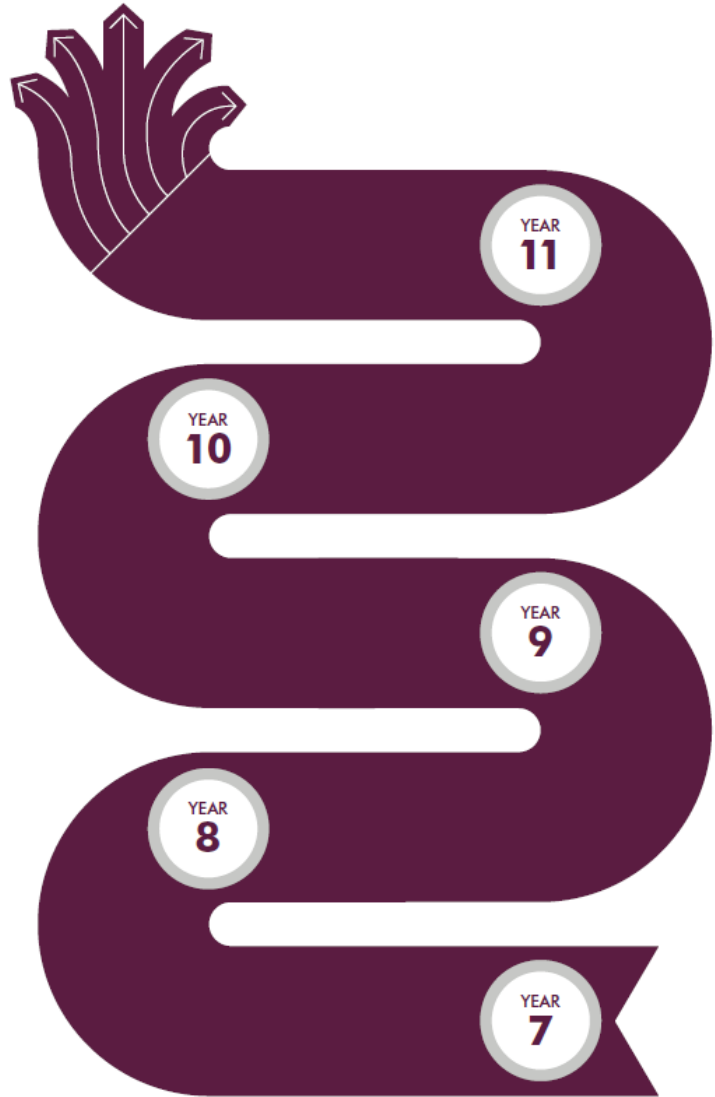
- stay in full-time education, for example at a 6th Form
- start an apprenticeship or traineeship
- spend 20 hours or more a week working or volunteering, while in part-time education or training



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The Journey to Amazing

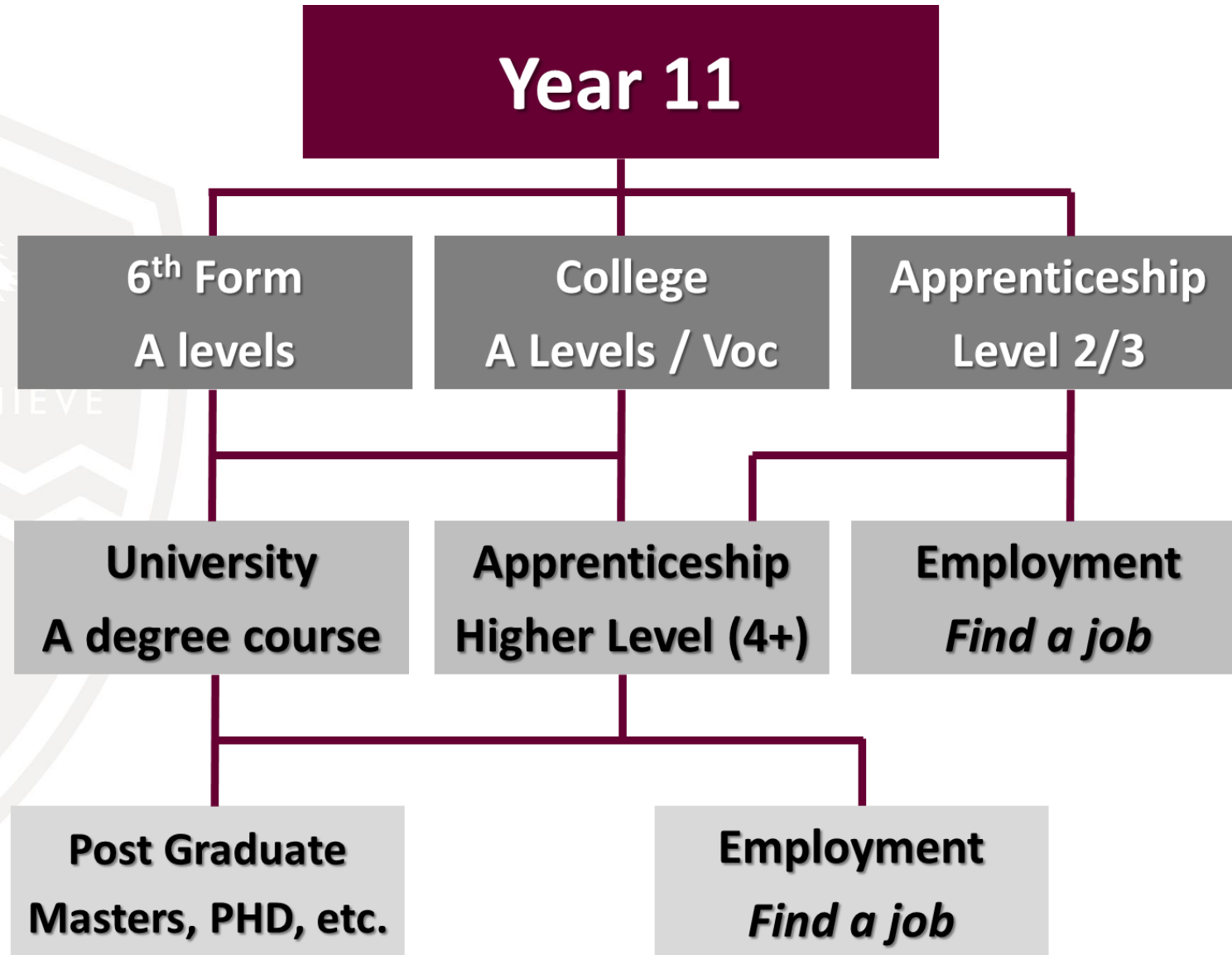


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What happens next is your choice



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Our Mission

“We are committed to creating a supportive and caring learning community that gives all our students the confidence and opportunity to achieve and prepare them for a successful adult life”

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Our results: August 2023



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81% A*-C

64% A*-B

100%
Distinction*
- Distinction

'Teachers, including those in the sixth form, have strong subject knowledge'

(Ofsted, 2023)



Our results: August 2023



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Macie	English Lit A*	Psychology A	History B	University of York - Psychology
Will	Maths A	Comp Sci A	Business B	Computer Science at Queen's University Belfast
Jesie	Biology A	Maths B	Physics B	University of Birmingham - Biomedical Science
Noah	Maths A	Physics B	Psychology B	University of York – Physics
Ellie	Geography A	History B	Sociology B	University of Sussex - History
Jake	Maths A	Physics B	Biology B	Nottingham Trent University - Physics

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Ofsted's rubber stamp



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- The school environment is typically calm and orderly. The conduct of students in the sixth form is exemplary;
- Pupils value the extra help they receive from teachers, particularly students in the sixth form;
- Students in the sixth form support younger pupils in the school to help nurture their aspirations and talents, including by encouraging them to join sporting activities and by promoting active citizenship;
- The curriculum is ambitious for all pupils, including in the sixth form;
- Students in the sixth form are prepared well for ambitious further study.

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Good
Provider

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Who is part of the Sixth Form Team?



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Mr B West
Associate School Leader: Director of Sixth Form



Miss S Hadley
Sixth Form Student Manager

**Mr Lane – 6JL
Mentor**
**Ms Purdy –
6LP Mentor**
**Mr Brennan –
6KB Mentor**
**Mr Chatten –
6KC Mentor**

- A combined 105 years of experience of working at Garibaldi!
- Strong track record of supporting students to go onto their desired next steps, e.g. broad knowledge of universities and apprenticeships and by providing personal statement support
- Dedicated and committed to providing pastoral support for students, e.g. mental health and wellbeing and personal development
- Much, much more!

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**Bespoke pastoral support
from expert mentors who
care**

An inspirational Sixth Form

**Inspirational teaching from
experienced, dedicated
teachers**

**Targeted and informed
Information, Advice and
Guidance on careers**

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Our expectations on entry

We will make all offers to all our students in full in writing after we have conducted student interviews (concluded before Christmas)

However, on entry we expect that students are well equipped to start A-Level/Level 3 study, if continuing from Garibaldi:

- ATL of 1.7 or better
- Attendance of 97% or better



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Subject-specific entry requirements



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Subject	Subject-specific standard entry criteria
Mathematics	Grade 7 in GCSE Maths
Physics (delivered at Meden)	Grade 6 in GCSE Physics OR double science Grade 66 and GCSE Maths Grade 6
Biology (delivered at Meden)	Grade 6 in GCSE Biology OR combined science Grade 66
Chemistry (delivered at Meden)	Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry OR combined science Grade 66
Sociology (delivered at Meden)	Grade 5 in English (either) and Mathematics
Psychology	Grade 5 in English (either), Mathematics and 55 in combined science Grade 55 or 5 in a single science
English Literature	Grade 6 in GCSE English Literature
Geography	Grade 6 in GCSE Geography
History	Grade 6 in GCSE History
Spanish	Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish
Computer Science	Grade 6 in Computer Science (if studied at GCSE) or Grade 7 in GCSE Maths
Business	If studied at GCSE, at least Merit Level 2 in Enterprise and Grade 5 in English (either) and Maths If not studied at GCSE, Grade 5 in English (either) and Maths
Level 3 LIBF Diploma in Financial Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE Maths
Level 3 Performing Arts	If studied at GCSE, at least Merit Level 2 in Performing Arts If not studied at GCSE, Grade 5 in English (either)
Level 3 Sports and Physical Activity	If studied at GCSE, at least Merit Level 2 in Cambridge National If not studied at GCSE, Grade 5 in English (either)
Level 3 Art and Design	If studied at GCSE, at least Merit Level 2 in Art and Design If not studied at GCSE, Grade 5 in English (either) and a portfolio of evidence of art work

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What subjects do we offer?

Subjects delivered at The Garibaldi School



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Joint 6th Form Provision with Meden

The principles of our joint provision are:

- To provide the best sixth form provision for the young adults within our communities
- To ensure our students achieve the very highest grades
- To ensure our students are happy and have a great experience
- To ensure our students have the highest of aspirations and that they progress on to the very best careers
- To develop our students into well rounded citizens by equipping them with the skills

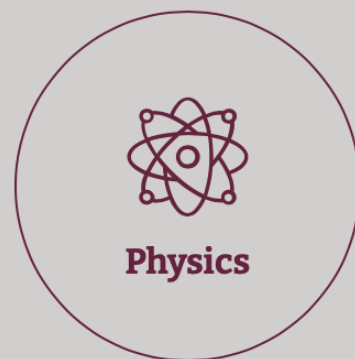
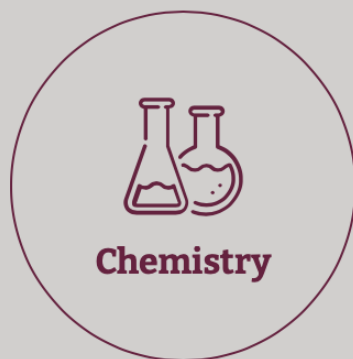


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What subjects do we offer?

Subjects currently delivered by Meden School “(Warsop)”



If you choose to study a subject away from The Garibaldi School, rest assured that you are still one of our students and we will ensure that you are receiving the same level of education and support as students who study all of their subjects with the school.

“Leaders in the sixth form have established an effective curriculum. Students take on opportunities to develop beyond the classroom. Some students help younger pupils to practise their mathematical skills. Students said that they enjoy their sixth form.”
(Meden School Ofsted, 2023)



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Year 12 and 13 are keen to talk about their positive experiences at Meden – please speak with them tonight at the subject stands!

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How do I choose my A-Level subjects?



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DO choose subjects because...

- You are passionate about them (you will be studying it, in depth, for 2 more years!)
- They allow you to access your future career path (more on this in a second!)
- You've checked the subject content and it interests you.

DON'T choose subjects because...

- You like the teacher (positive relationships are so important, but there's never 100% guarantee that a teacher will teach you)
- You know that your friends are taking them
- You think you know what they are like, but you haven't actually checked
- Of your GCSE experience.

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What about my career pathways?



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Career pathway	Things to bear in mind
Medicine/Dentistry/ Veterinary Medicine	You need 2 science subjects (usually Biology and Chemistry, though some cases Physics and Psychology count) and Maths at A-Level, as well as GCSE Grade 7-9s in these subjects plus Grade 6+ in English usually required.
Criminology, Criminal Behaviour, or Criminal Justice	You don't need Criminology A-Level. Psychology and/or Sociology allow you to access this course. Some universities do not specify any subjects in particular.
Law	You don't need to study Law at A-Level. Most universities have a preferred subject list. Essay-based subjects, e.g. English Literature, Geography, History, Psychology, or others, e.g. Business Studies, are preferred.
Film/Media/ Journalism	You don't need to study Media at A-Level. A range of subjects are accepted. You should choose one creative-based subject at Level 3, e.g. Art and Design. For Journalism, English Literature is highly recommended.
Politics	You don't need to study Politics at A-Level. Most universities have a preferred subject list. Essay-based subjects, e.g. English Literature, Geography, History, Psychology, are preferred.

What is studying at Sixth Form like?



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Similarities	Differences
A lot of the same systems as now – ATL, attendance, punctuality, Pride/Respect/Achieve	Increased level of challenge – A-levels are Level 3 qualifications designed to be the stepping stone to University and further study. They will be difficult!
Teachers who you will be familiar with for most subjects	You get to narrow down your choices even further from your Options. 3 subjects at A-Level at 5 hours a week roughly
Care and compassion – we know you better than any other school or college!	Independent study and reading – you will need to focus on three subjects well and dedicate much more independent time to it
Taught in the same buildings more or less – you will be split between main school and the Sixth Form Centre	Student Leadership and opportunities to work with other year groups as role models
Non-negotiables, e.g. mobile phones, chewing gum, conduct cards, lanyards	Smaller class sizes – our average class size is 9 students
	No uniform at present
	Relationships with staff

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We are an Up Learn school



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Up LEARN

COGNITIVE SCIENCE & AI



Learning tailored to you, with 70+ techniques such as elaborative encoding, retrieval practice, and interleaved learning built in.

BEAT YOUR TARGET GRADE



65 hours on Up Learn - 3 hours per week per course over years 12-13 - leads to a 65% likelihood of beating your target grade.

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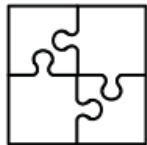
What you need, grouped by topic, so you improve as fast as possible.

OPTIMISED LEARNING



Up Learn creates a unique plan based on how long you have until your exam, and how well you know each topic.

ADAPTS TO YOU



Our algorithm identifies your weak spots and focuses on those, until you're achieving A* scores across every topic.

ENGAGING CONTENT



Learning doesn't have to be boring - our hands-on content and amazing tutors make learning interactive.



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We have been featured or seen in the following outlets and publications:

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London
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A*/A guaranteed or your money back

Up Learn provides everything you need to get an A*/A at A Level in your subject, as efficiently as possible. No need for textbooks or tutors.

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What does a typical week look like?



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A working example for A-Levels in Spanish, Physics, and Maths (Year 12)

Timetable Week 1 (15/10/2023)

	Mon, 16/10/2023	Tue, 17/10/2023	Wed, 18/10/2023	Thu, 19/10/2023	Fri, 20/10/2023
AM	6KC, IT1 (KC)	6KC, IT1 (KC)	6JL - PD... (JML)	6JL - PD... (JML)	6KC, IT1 (KC)
1	12OPD/PH... (MESCH)	12OPC/SPb... (BW)	AdSt-Wed1... (SUPSHA)	AdSt-Thurs1.... (SUPS)	6JL - PD , DEFAULT (SUPSHA)
2	6KC/PD, IT1 (KC)	12OPC/SPb... (BW)	AdSt-Wed2... (SUPSHA)	AdSt-Thurs2..... (SUPSHA)	12OPE/MA, MA4 (BH)
3	AdSt-Mon3... (SUPSHA)	12OPE/MA, MA4 (BH)	12OPD/PH... (MESCH)	12OPC/SPa... (KO)	AdSt-Fri3... (SUPSHA)
4	AdSt-Mon4... (SUPSHA)	12OPE/MA, MA4 (BH)	12OPD/PH... (MESCH)	12OPC/SPa... (KO)	AdSt-Fri4... (SUPSHA)
PM	6KC, IT1 (KC)	6KC, IT1 (KC)	6KC, IT1 (KC)	6KC, IT1 (KC)	6KC, IT1 (KC)
5	AdSt-Mon5... (SUPSHA)	AdSt-Tues5... (SUPSHA)	12OPE/MA, MA4 (BH)	12OPD/PH... (MESCH)	AdSt-Fri5... (SUPSHA)
6	AdSt-Mon6... (SUPSHA)	AdSt-Tues6... (SUPSHA)	12OPE/MA, MA4 (BH)	12OPD/PH... (MESCH)	12OPC/SPa... (KO)
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How is Sixth Form more independent?

- Attendance – ‘Back to Sixth Form’ interview for recurring absences;
- Timetabled Additional Study for periods 1-4 everyday (when students don’t have lessons; Year 12 first half-term is a full timetable);
- Students follow half-term overviews in their Additional Study time to manage their time outside of the classroom;
- Students are trusted members of the school community – we do not expect consequences or behavioural issues at all;
- Students are trusted to respect and make use of the Sixth Form Centre;
- At present, students are timetabled to have one afternoon where they are not required to be in school for periods 5 and 6. This allows them to schedule appointments, driving lessons etc. without these affecting their studies. If they wish to stay and work independently, they can do this.



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What is the application process?



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1. Sixth Form Open Evening – **October 2023** (today)
2. Applications open tonight - application deadline – **Tuesday 7th November 2023**
3. Interviews – **November & December 2023**
4. Conditional offers made after interview, subject to GCSE grades, ATL and Attendance – **before Christmas 2023**
5. Consistent hard work, high ATL and attendance from January – **June 2024**
6. Sixth Form Induction days – **July 2024**
7. GCSE Results – **August 2024**
8. Sixth Form start date - **September 2024**

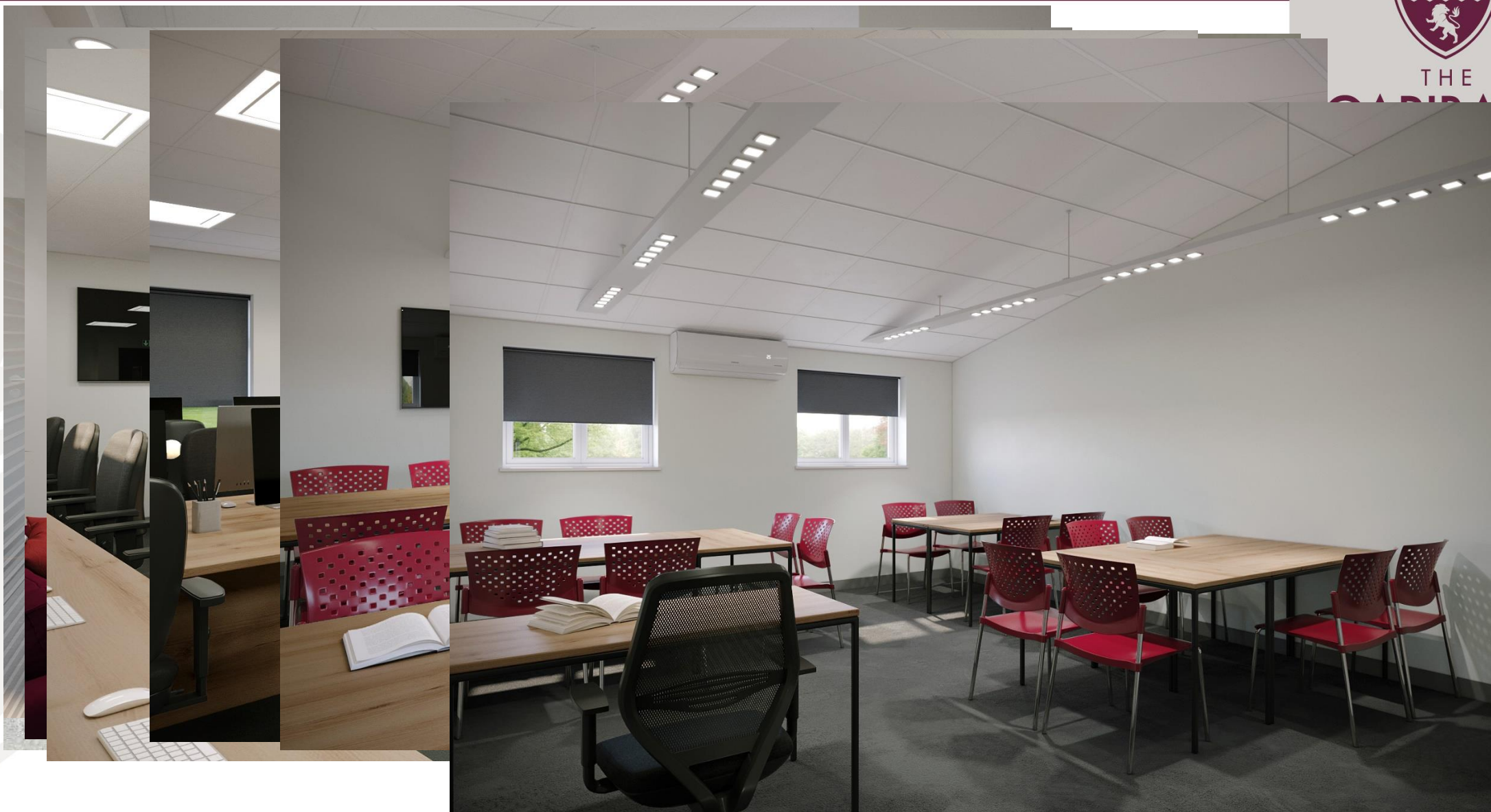
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What is the Sixth Form Centre like?



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How do we equip students for their next steps?

- **Strong partnerships** with a range of institutions, ranging from those local, such as **Loughborough University** and **Bishop Grosseteste University**, and those further afield, such as the **Universities of Oxford and Cambridge**;
- Students are guided and encouraged to take part in a **Summer School programme with the Sutton Trust or a University**;
- **Enrichment at Garibaldi opportunities**, where students **volunteer** in lessons to work with other students in lower years and in a range of different subjects;
- **Sixth Form Student Leaders**, including roles for Academic Opportunities and Enrichment Opportunities;
- **A strong team of experienced and dedicated** Sixth Form teachers who know their students and genuinely care about their success;
- **Residentials**;
- **Careers Fair visits & talks in school – employer engagement**
- **University visit.**



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Our partners include...



The University of
Nottingham



Peterhouse
Cambridge



UNIVERSITY OF
LINCOLN



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Hydro



ideas4careers
career development & employability



Nottingham Trent
University



UNIVERSITY OF
OXFORD



Civil Service



Loughborough
University



Mansfield
District Council



BISHOP
GROSSETESTE
UNIVERSITY

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How do we equip students to be healthy and safe in their adult life?

- A comprehensive and relevant **Personal Development Programme**, including key topics for Years 12 and 13 (healthy minds, managing good and bad stress, consent, managing finances);
- Every student has a **mentor group**, similar to their time in 7-11. They receive pastoral support from the Sixth Form Mentor Team, Miss Hadley and Mr West;
- Students can still maintain the **positive relationships** that they have with existing staff at school – just because they've gone into Sixth Form doesn't mean they have to forget their 5 years so far!
- **Safe spaces** and **peer-to-peer support**;
- **Opportunities for mentoring from Year 13s.**



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Why choose the Garibaldi Sixth Form?

We're local to you

The Garibaldi School Sixth Form is a growing provision that aims to be at the heart of the local community.

Our students succeed

With an A*-C percentage of 81%, our students succeed.

Our students go onto their preferred destinations and into top-tier universities

This includes securing places at Russell Group universities, such as the University of Oxford. We support you through the UCAS process for these fully.

You'll have access to great facilities

We have our own purpose-built Sixth Form Centre and you'll also have access to the existing facilities of the school. We've just invested half a million pounds into our new Sixth Form Centre.

You'll receive unrivalled, bespoke support tailored to you

We know you best. From careers and UCAS support, a Year 12/13 mentor, Miss Hadley and Mr West, you'll have loads of help available to you.

You can enjoy more independence

You'll have independent study time, some free time built into the week, Enrichment Opportunities, recognition events, and much more.

You'll develop the positive relationships you've already built

You know the school and we know you.



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Frequently Asked Questions



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1. How many subjects do I take?

You take 3 subjects. You can take 4 subjects, but there is no benefit as universities do not make offers of 4 subjects and the demands of 3 are challenging enough. Some students take 4 subjects to start with and then drop one after a few weeks.

2. Will Sixth Form be more work for me?

A-Levels and Level 3 study is challenging. The workload is high and your teachers will demand more of you. The Sixth Form is an academic place of study, so yes, there will be more work!

3. Can I change my subjects in the first few weeks?

We do offer some flexibility to change subject choices within the first two weeks of September (where students have good reason). We also allow students to study 4 subjects if they are undecided at first and then drop one after the first two weeks.

4. How much work will I have outside of lessons?

You will have independent study after each lesson and follow up tasks to do. These are non-negotiable and are an expectation of college-level study.

5. Is there a uniform?

At the moment, there is a casual uniform policy. This will be reviewed this year, but for now it remains casual.

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How do I apply?



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https://www.garibaldischool.co.uk/forms/applications_2024.php

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Message from the Head of School

Thank you for expressing an interest in The Garibaldi School Sixth Form. We encourage you to be proud of yourselves, the school and your community, promote a culture of success. Everyone can succeed.

We have developed a Sixth Form provision that is both supportive and challenging and we understand the skills and characteristics that young people need to co

The Sixth Form is set up to enable you to develop these skills. We have a proven way to achieve your goals.

At The Garibaldi School Sixth Form you will be taught by experienced and successful teachers who you are familiar with. Entering the sixth form will give you the same support and guidance you have become accustomed to.

However, we also recognise that as young adults, you are ready to develop more and we will help you to take ownership of your learning and we prepare you for a range of related opportunities within school, forms an integral part of Sixth Form life.

I look forward to working with you over your Sixth Form years.

James Aldred
Head of School

Next

Message from the Director of Sixth Form

Key Information Links

Prospectus

Submit a Question

Application Form

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These forms are used to collect information regarding your application to The Garibaldi School Sixth Form and will only be used for this purpose. We need the information collected here to enable us to manage this process effectively. The information is for internal use only and will be stored on our internal servers. This information will be kept in line with our data retention policy.

We will only use your contact details to share information with you that is relevant to this process.

If you have any concerns please [contact us](#) before you proceed.

[Our full privacy notice is available to download here.](#)

Please tick here to confirm you have read and understand this notice.

Note that if you are unable to complete this form in one sitting please click the 'Save Form' button at any time. This will save all the information you have already entered and send you a unique code via e-mail to be able to access it at a later date. Your form will be saved for 7 days.

Student's Details

Legal Forename *

Legal Surname *

Middle Name(s)

Preferred Forename

Only if different from legal name given above.

Preferred Surname

Only if different from legal name given above.

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Courses to study

After reading the prospectus and speaking with teachers, please select the subject you want to study. The normal pathway at The Garibaldi School is to study three subjects which can be a combination of A Level, BTEC or Diploma qualifications. Some students may study four subjects; if this is the case please speak to Mr West and this can be discussed and considered.

Option 1 *

Option 2 *

Option 3 *

Option 4

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Some notes on the application form...

- When completing the application form, we ask that all students initially select 4 options that are of interest to them – don't panic, these do not have to be your final choices. They just give us an idea of demand;
- Look at the prospectus and ask lots of questions. Places are not allocated on a first come, first served basis. We will confirm all offers by Christmas. Please take your time with the application form;
- The question boxes at the end do not need more than one paragraph of response;
- Ask, ask, ask... we can provide support in completing the application form.



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I've submitted my application... now what?

What happens next?

Once your application has been received, you will then be invited to an interview process where we will discuss your application and make you a bespoke offer regarding your place in the sixth form. This will be based on attainment, attitude to learning and attendance.

What if...?

If you change your mind about your subjects before you start or don't get the exam grades you were predicted, don't panic! You can always speak to the Sixth Form staff and they will try, if possible, to negotiate the necessary changes and try to accommodate your needs. Members of the Sixth Form team will be available on results day.



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Thank you for your time this evening

Tips for making sure this evening is as useful as possible...

- Ask questions – as many as you need to!
- Speak on an individual basis with me or Miss Hadley – we will be moving around the rooms or will be based in the Hall;
- Please get in touch via e-mail if you have any further questions that crop up at a later date;
- Even if you think you are decided for your A-Level subjects, have an open mind and gather information on all the subjects that you *might* be interested in;
- Speak with our current Year 12s and 13s – don't be shy. They don't bite (much!)



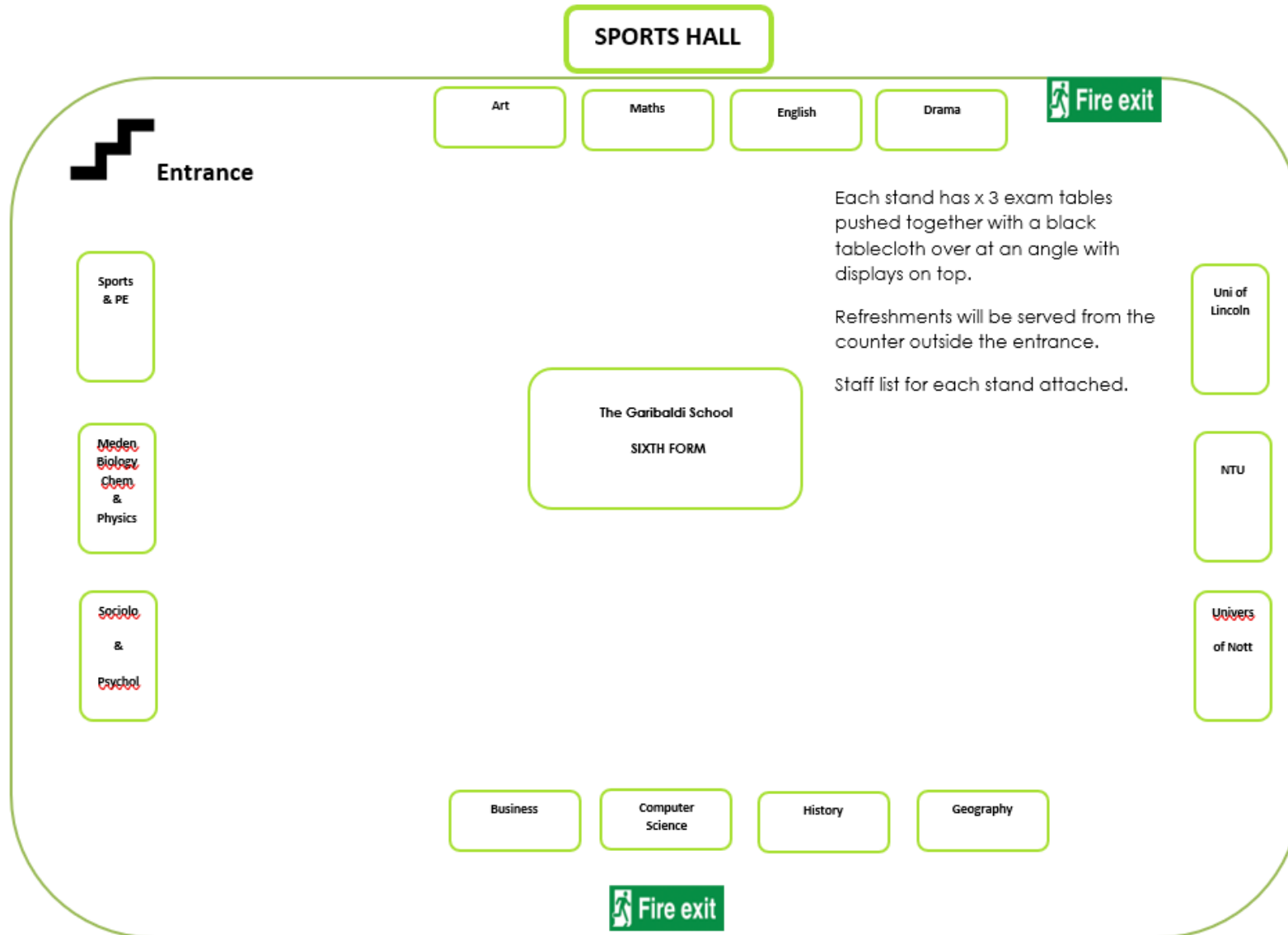
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Plan of the evening: Sports Hall



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