



Inspiring Minds & Shaping Futures



Prospectus
2022-23



Wishing you a warm

Welcome

to The English Martyrs Sixth Form College

Exciting Next Steps.

When you study at English Martyrs, we can provide you with the help, support and specialist teaching that will enable you to secure the results to continue onto the next stage of your lives - whether that be pursuing a degree at university, an apprenticeship or moving straight into employment.

We have students who study with us from all over the North East and we are very proud of the sense of community and 'family' spirit. We believe that our pastoral and academic support, from a range of specialist staff, is second to none and is one of the reasons why our students are so successful in their college studies and in the world beyond.

The information in this prospectus will provide you with just a flavour of what EMS6 has to offer. Visit our website for the latest updates and information and follow us on social media.



We look forward to meeting
and working with you.

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What a result!

Joy and excitement as our A level students collected their grades, August 2022.



Jamie, who joined us from St Hild's school, is living his dream of studying Dentistry at Liverpool University after achieving three A grades.



Two A* grades in English Language and Psychology, secured Ella's place at Manchester University to study French and Russian.



After achieving a Distinction*, Distinction and A*, Jorja took up her place at her first-choice university, Teesside, to study Adult Nursing.



A fantastic set of results for Anna has opened the door for her to study English Literature at Newcastle University. She collected 3 A grades.



Grades of A*, A, B gave John the opportunity to join Liverpool University to study Business Management with a year in industry.



Molly achieved A*, A*, B in Art & Design, Photography and English Language. She's currently studying Fine Art at Liverpool St. John University.

98%

Pass Rate
across all subjects

100%

Pass Rate
in 24 subjects

78%

A*-C Grades
across all subjects

52%

A*-B Grades
across all subjects

Summer 2022 Results

In a survey about EMS6

1000%

of students said

“ Staff at EMS6 were **friendly and approachable** ”

“ They received **excellent advice and guidance** from us during enrolment and in the weeks following ”

“ They felt **safe** at the college ”

plus

100% Pass rate across 24 subjects in 2022

Students leaving EMS6 study at

universities

all over the UK.

Previous students have studied at...

Scotland

University of Glasgow
University of Aberdeen
University of St Andrews
University of Edinburgh
Heriot-Watt University
Edinburgh Napier University

North East

Northumbria University
Newcastle University
Northern School of Art
Teesside University
University of Sunderland
Durham University

Yorkshire & the Humber

York St John University
Leeds Beckett University
University of Leeds
University of York
University of Hull
University of Sheffield
Leeds Trinity University
Sheffield Hallam University
University of Huddersfield
Hull York Medical School

East of England

University of Cambridge
Anglia Ruskin University
University of Hertfordshire

Wales

Bangor University
Aberystwyth University

North West

Liverpool John Moores University
University of Liverpool
Edge Hill University
Manchester Metropolitan University
Lancaster University
University of Manchester
University of Central Lancashire
University of Chester
Liverpool Hope University
Royal Northern College of Music
University of Salford

West Midlands

Keele University
University of Warwick

East Midlands

De Montfort University
University of Leicester
University of Lincoln
Nottingham Trent University

London

Queen Mary University of London
University College London
Kings College London
Kingston University

South East

University of Brighton
University of Oxford
Oxford Brookes University
University of Reading
University of Southampton

South West

University of Bristol
University of Bath
University of Exeter
Falmouth University

99%

of EMS6 leavers are successful in gaining their places in further education, apprenticeships or employment.

Based on last three years



Supporting students in their

next steps

after their time at EMS6

We have a team of qualified and experienced careers specialists to help you plan your career pathway.

Plus many partnerships with universities.

Local Partner Universities

EMS6 have excellent links with local universities which includes: Partners with Newcastle, First Choice with Sunderland, Supported Progression with Durham and with Northumbria we have NU Entry for year 12 and Destination Northumbria for year 13.

Realising Opportunities

We are part of Realising Opportunities, a national programme where students can receive a reduced offer from a range of prestigious universities.

Strong links with many universities, training providers and local organisations

We have worked hard to secure many partnerships whereby qualifying students can receive additional support and reduced offers from universities such as Leeds, UCL, Warwick and York. We have close links with both Oxford and Cambridge and have a planned programme of activities at key points throughout the year. From our class of 2021 destinations include Cambridge, Durham, Liverpool, Edinburgh and Sheffield to study a range of degrees including Medicine, Modern Languages, Korean Studies and Archaeology.

As well as universities, we work closely with Amazing Apprenticeships and the Department for Work and Pensions to aid students with pathways into employment, have an established connection with the EDF Mentoring scheme and work together with Hartlepool College of Further Education to bring together academic and vocational qualifications.



Aside from our **fantastic results** - Why should **you**

choose

EMS6?

1

You will be taught by **SUBJECT SPECIALISTS**

2

Students can benefit from **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

3

Our students can access **OFFICE 365 FOR FREE**

4

We pride ourselves on individualised **STUDENT SUPPORT**

5

You will receive **SPECIALIST CAREERS SUPPORT**

6

Established links to **UNIVERSITIES, TRAINING PROVIDERS & EMPLOYERS**

7

We listen to you. Join our **STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM**

8

We invest in you. **MODERNISED STUDY AREA AND COMMON ROOM**

9

In recent inspections **OFSTED RATED EMS6 AS GOOD**

Outside of the classroom, we have an extensive enrichment programme for students

We recognise how vital it is to develop skills for the future.
Opportunities for enrichment include:

EPQ-Extended Project Qualification

This is a stand-alone qualification that carries up to 28 UCAS points. With the support of a Supervisor, students choose a topic or area of interest which extends beyond the parameters of their A Level courses.

Universities and employers value the skills that are developed, such as independent research, project management, reflection, self-directed learning, critical thinking and presentation skills.

Charity, Fundraising & Volunteering

Charity events, volunteering and fundraising are an integral part of life at our college.

Opportunities include:

- Working with local community groups and projects
- Student leadership opportunities including mentoring, school council, college ambassadors and Student Leadership Team
- Supporting our college nominated charity
- John Paul II Award
- Duke of Edinburgh Award

Personal Professional Development

Personal and Professional Development is accredited by Teesside University. Once a week, and in their own time, students take part in activities that focus on employability, academia, community, well-being and an opportunity for other experiences. This programme allows our students to gain experience, knowledge and skills to become confident, independent and informed young adults, who are aware of the wider world and prepared to take on any opportunity after life in Sixth Form.

iDEA Award

Dance

EMS Chamber Choir

Musical Theatre

EMS Orchestra

Netball

Football

Table Tennis

Young Enterprise

Philosophy Club

A Level Subject Catch Up Sessions

Pit Band

Drama

Trampolining

Reading Club

Introducing our Student

Leadership

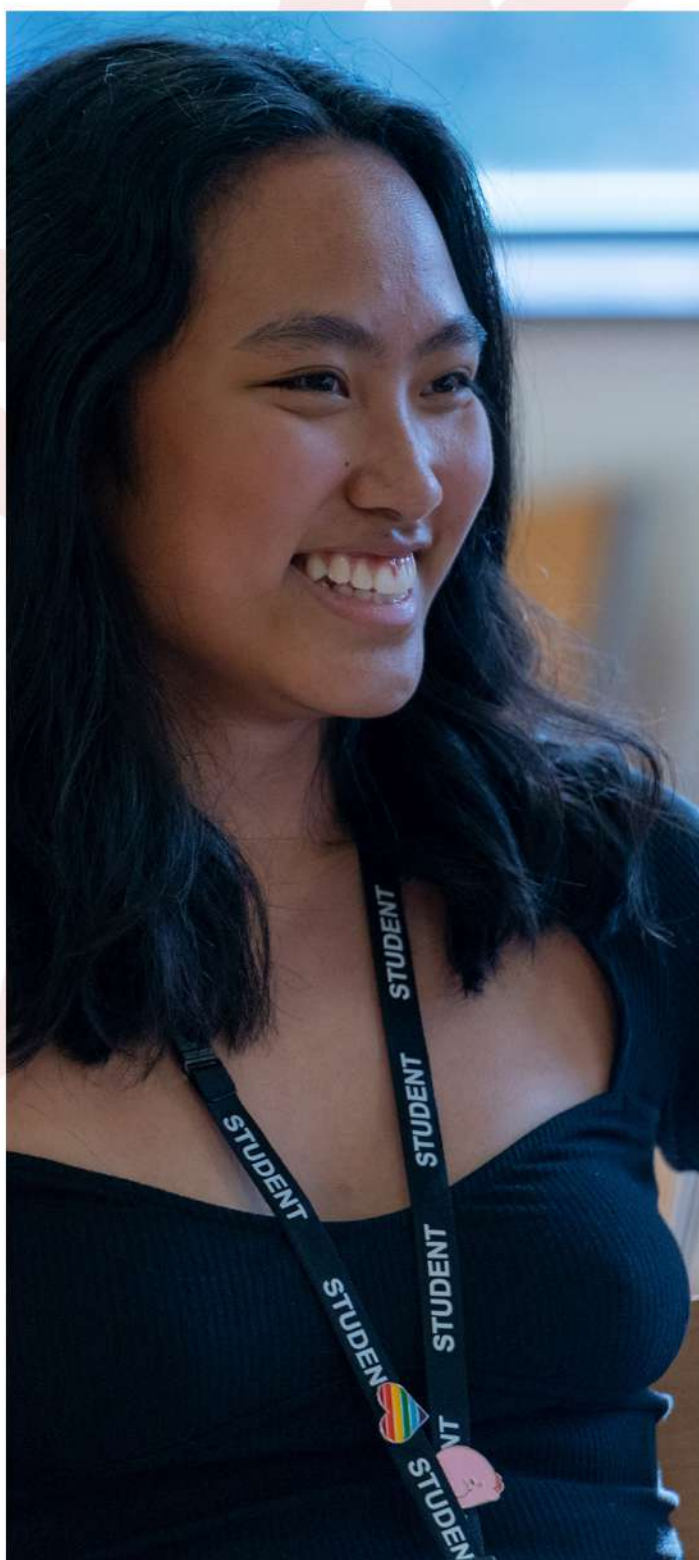
Team 2022-23



Moral and Spiritual

Development

We aim to support students academically, socially, pastorally, emotionally and spiritually



If EMS6 is a Catholic college, do I have to be Catholic to enrol?

Absolutely not! We welcome people of all faiths - as well as those who do not profess a faith - and we pride ourselves upon the diverse set of beliefs we have within our college community.

What does being a Catholic college actually mean?

It means we provide opportunities for our students to embrace their faith if they wish to do so. For those who are not Catholic, however, it still offers a lot of benefits. We strongly believe in the personal dignity of everyone and we really see ourselves as a family, a community, who all work together to create an environment of mutual respect and support.

Will I have to say a lot of prayers every day?

We do have a chapel where students are free and welcome to drop in and pray. There are opportunities to be involved in collective worship.

As a college, we have Christmas & Easter Services and a Leavers' Mass. These opportunities to come together are very much focused on reflecting and celebrating.

We can help you with

financial

support for your studies

We have various bursaries that students may be eligible for.

Targeted

The Targeted Bursary offers financial support for students who are in care, a care leaver, in receipt of income support or disabled and in receipt of Employment and Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance. For eligible students the award provides funding to up to the value of £1,200 per year (£120 over ten months).

Transport

The Transport Bursary is available to students qualifying for the General Bursary to meet the costs of a bus pass if the student lives outside a 3 mile radius of college.

Meals

Students aged between 16 and 18 on 31st August 2023 may be eligible for a free meal in the 2023-24 academic year if they meet the eligibility criteria.

Students who turn 19 during their study programme will remain eligible until the end of the academic year in which they turn 19 or to the end of their study programme, whichever is sooner.

Maths

Vikas Agrawal Bursary

Exclusive to EMS6 - Bursaries up to the value of £500 per year of study are available to the brightest and the best mathematicians when you enrol to study Mathematics A Level with us.

Bursaries will be awarded to two students each academic year.

There is more information on our website
<http://ems6.bhcet.org.uk/financial-support/>

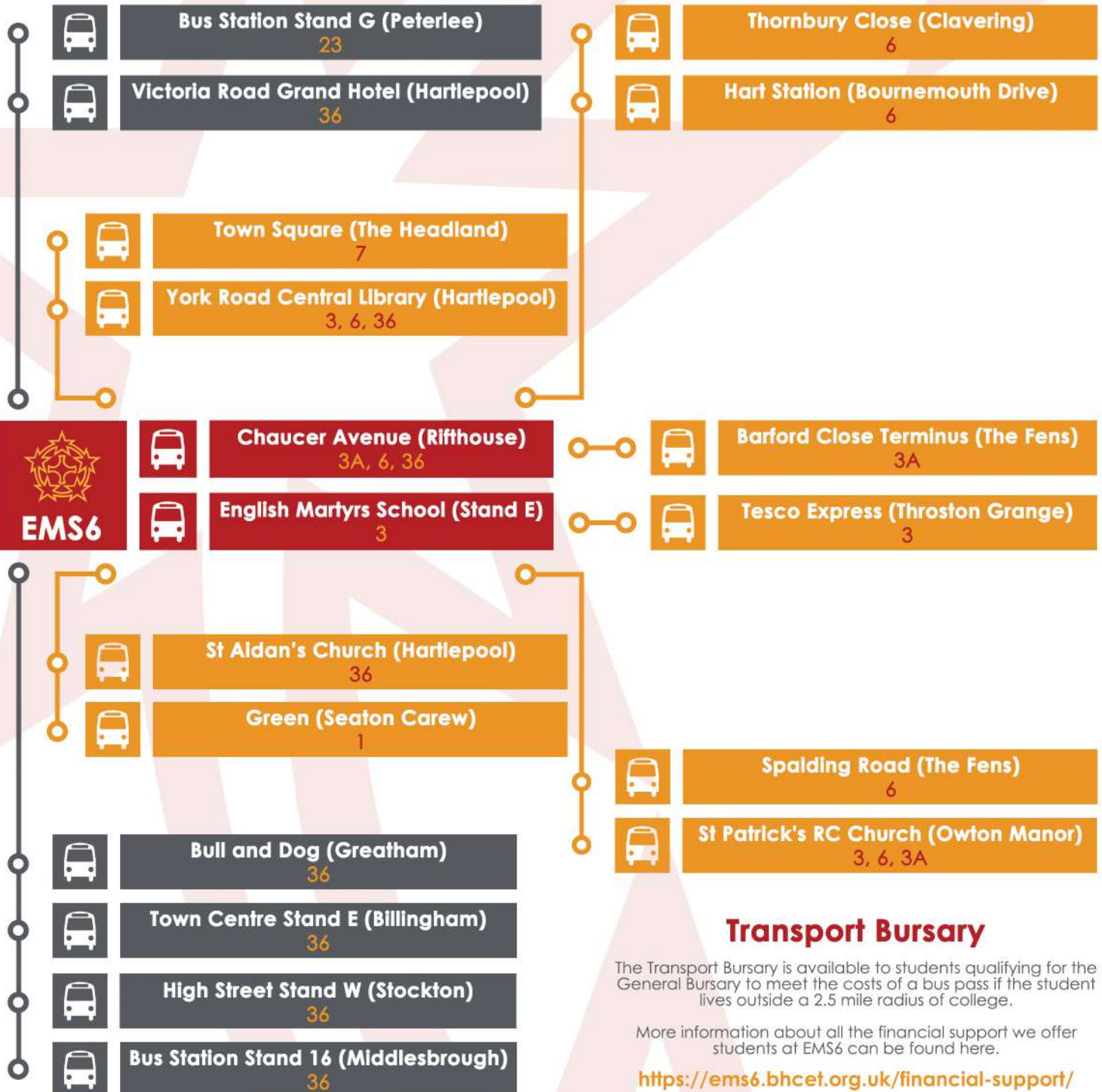
How to reach us

bus routes

for **September 2023**

Routes from within Hartlepool

Routes from outside Hartlepool



Transport Bursary

The Transport Bursary is available to students qualifying for the General Bursary to meet the costs of a bus pass if the student lives outside a 2.5 mile radius of college.

More information about all the financial support we offer students at EMS6 can be found here.

<https://ems6.bhcef.org.uk/financial-support/>



How about studying...

3D Art and Employment



Designing and making sits at the centre of creative practice directly influenced by real world employment opportunities.

This subject allows students to push boundaries. creating and making objects influenced by real life scenarios. Emphasis is placed on the uniqueness of each student's creative voice. You will be given the opportunity to pursue projects that you have a personal interest in.

Students on the 3D Art and Employment course create a diverse range of work through a variety of arts practices including: drawing, painting, photography, sculpture, ceramics, 3D printing and other three dimensional materials, echoing the processes and techniques utilised in the world of work.

This course allows the student to see how art can be viewed with a purpose and how it can lead to employment prospects. The mix between art and 3D design is at the forefront of the creative industries today and this subject is highly regarded in all areas due to its creative design perspective.

In year 12 and 13 you will study one main unit of work. This Personal Investigation (60%) will be thematic and will evolve based on your particular focus and interests. You will also complete a project based on a starting point from the examination paper (40%). In all, there will be 1 unit of study in year 12 and 1 unit of study in year 13.

Some careers that this course could lead to are:

Architect - Landscape Artist - 3D Modeller - Industrial Design - Toy Designer - Transport / Car Designer - Stage / Set / Prop Designer.

100% of our students have achieved an A*- C grade in Art & Design since 2016

Entry Requirements

Students are expected to have at least a grade 4 at GCSE level in an Art and Design subject. A portfolio can be viewed for consideration by an art teacher on request if you have not achieved the required grades.



How about studying...



Art and Design with Textiles

Students will learn to develop and produce personal, creative, independent work, analyse their own visual work, as well as evaluate and learn from artists, designers and crafts people.

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The main focus will be the development of your sketchbook or journal. This will show evidence of your chosen thematic unit and experimentation with a variety of artistic techniques.

Students who have undertaken art and design here have gone on to varied degree courses such as architecture, graphic design, fine art, textiles, fashion and photography.

Art and Design can lead to many careers including:

- Artist
- Architectural Illustrator
- Book Illustrator
- Graphic Illustrator
- Commercial Artist
- Courtroom Artist
- Special effects make up
- Tattoo Artist

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The Art & Design A Level offers students the flexibility to specialise in the medium of textiles. You will benefit from the guidance of a specialist textiles practitioner.

Textile art could be defined in terms of batik, dying, machine and hand embroidery/embellishment. These techniques focus on creativity, and surface design artists use these techniques to convey conceptual and/or aesthetic ideas that surround notions of personal or societal identity, thought, value, and beauty.

This course allows students to see how Art Textiles and Surface Design can be viewed with a purpose, and how it can lead to employment prospects. There is a vast array of creative industries out there waiting to be explored and this course may be just the one to capture your interest, or propel you to the future career you wish to work in.

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Textile/surface design artists gain inspiration from all around the world and have very exciting jobs in a broad range of different industries such as:

- Fashion Designer/ Consultant
- Display Artist
- Accessory Designer
- Fashion Merchandising
- Pattern Maker
- Costume Designer



How about studying...

Biology



Biology is one of our most popular A level choices and if you are fascinated by the living world and the interaction between life forms and their environments, then this may well be the course for you.

You will study 8 units across two years:

- 1 Biological molecules
- 2 Cells
- 3 Organisms exchange substances with their environment
- 4 Genetic information, variation and relationships between organisms
- 5 Energy transfers in and between organisms M
- 6 Organisms respond to changes in their internal and external environments
- 7 Genetics, populations, evolution and ecosystems
- 8 The control of gene expression

The Lab Book

You will also have the chance to gain your practical competency award (in addition to your A level) by completing 12 compulsory practicals when your skills of planning experiments, collecting data, analysing experimental results and making conclusions will be assessed by your teacher. This award will demonstrate that you are a competent laboratory practitioner, ready for operating in university laboratory environments.

Examinations

The course is taught by Biology specialists and all practical work is internally assessed. The examinations are held at the end of the two year course and take the form of three 2 hour examinations.



Entry Requirements

At least a grade 6 in Biology or a grade 6-6 in Combined Science. A grade 5 from the higher paper in GCSE Mathematics is also required. The exam will contain 10% of marks for mathematical calculations.

If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

Milton Berle

How about studying...



Business Studies

You will study businesses from a variety of contexts including large/ small, UK focused/global, services/manufacturing. The course not only concentrates on the internal mechanisms of businesses, but looks at the fast-changing external environment in which these businesses work.

You will consider well-known businesses from the perspective of different stakeholders. Critically, you will gain an understanding of the strategic decisions made by businesses in order to increase their competitiveness in the market place.

The course will cover: why businesses exist, different forms of ownership, managers & leaders, stakeholders, marketing, operations (production), finance, human resources, analysing the strategic position of a business, choosing strategic direction, strategic methods, managing strategic change.

Question papers use a variety of assessment styles including short answer, data response, essays and case study analysis. You will be assessed by sitting two exams in year 12 (internally assessed) and three formal and externally assessed exams in year 13.

Business A level can lead to a wide range of degree level courses including: Business, Marketing, Human resources, Accounting and Finance and Economics. It is also a great complementary subject for many other areas of study, such as, Engineering, Design, Law and Geography.

This subject also provides an excellent preparation for the world of work – whether you fancy yourself at the head of a successful multinational, or you prefer to set up your own small business – this course will give you the knowledge and skills required.

We will also be offering the opportunity for you to organise and run your own 'Young Enterprise' company as an extra-curricular activity, giving you the opportunity to experience what it is really like to manage a business. How many students can put CEO of a company on an application form?

Entry Requirements

You do not need to have studied GCSE Business Studies. It is expected that students have achieved GCSE English Language and Maths at grade 4 or above. Please note the new Business Studies course does have a lot more Maths content than in prior years.



How about studying...

Chemistry



The course will develop students' ability to apply the scientific method to many real life situations, and will give students an opportunity to discover science through a wide range of experiments.

For those who want a career in science, engineering and medicine, the course will provide one of the important university entry requirements.

Practical work and problem solving skills are crucial for any successful chemist. Students will carry out a range of laboratory practical experiments to support their learning. Problem solving will make up the vast majority of lessons whereby you will be encouraged to think outside of the box and apply your knowledge to unfamiliar situations.

Two exam papers contain 105 marks. They each contribute 35% to the A level grade. A third exam paper contains 40 marks from practical skills and data analysis, 20 marks testing any area of the specification and 30 marks from multiple choice questions (total of 90 marks.) This contributes 30% to the A level grade.

This course requires students to demonstrate their competency in practical investigations via a lab book.



Entry Requirements

At least a grade 6 in Chemistry or a grade 6-6 in Combined Science. A grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics is also required.



How about studying...



Computer Science

This course is ideal for students with an enthusiasm for learning how computers operate at machine level and to develop a greater understanding of programming environments.

The course is taught using a mixture of practical and theory lessons. Practical lessons will involve a range of individual activities to allow development of key programming skills. Theory sessions will include a mixture of group work and independent study opportunities.

In year 12 you will study; Computing Principles and Algorithms and Problem Solving

These units will give you a deep understanding of many key theoretical aspects of the course while also allowing you to develop programming skills in a variety of languages including: Visual Basic, JavaScript, HTML and CSS.

In year 13 you will study; Computer Systems, Algorithms and Programming and a Programming Project

The first two topics build on the knowledge and understanding from the units covered in year 12, delivering a greater level of comprehension. The programming project allows you to plan and implement a solution to a real-world problem, which you identify yourself, to create an effective solution using a broad range of programming skills.

This course will give you an excellent grounding in fundamental programming skills and techniques, problem solving and deep knowledge of the legal and ethical issues around computer systems.

Entry Requirements

Students should have a minimum of a grade 6 in Maths at GCSE due to the level of computational thinking required to complete the course. No formal Computing or ICT based qualification is required for entry; however, you may find some concepts easier to understand if you've studied Computer Science previously at GCSE level.

CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS

DIGITAL MEDIA

How about studying...



Digital Media Single A Level

The Extended Certificate in Digital Media is a course that has been designed to provide students with a technical level qualification, giving opportunities to develop a wide range of skills within the dynamic interactive media industry in the key fields of audio, audio-visual and print-based media.

There are two externally examined units in the Digital Media Course: Pre-Production and Planning and Analysing Media Products.

These units will give you an excellent understanding of how the digital media industry operates and you will learn how to utilise some standard industry practices in your work.

You will also complete three coursework units: Create a Media Product (mandatory), Sound Production and Advertising Media.

During these units you will develop an excellent understanding of the pre-production, production and post-production process, applying your knowledge across all units. You will also learn how to carry out research, understand the constraints of legislation on media products and plan, design and produce media for a client.

This course has proven to be hugely popular in recent years due to the accelerated growth of the digital media industry with 72% of students achieving a Distinction* or Distinction grade in the last two years. Studying Digital Media will open up many career and further education opportunities including those in graphic design, social media, web authoring, storyboarding, game design and illustration.

Entry Requirements

You do not require a media-based qualification to take up this course; however, a good imagination and a creative mind are absolutely necessary. It is expected that students wishing to study Digital Media will have a GCSE grade 4 in English Language to allow them to complete the relevant research and planning documentation that will go alongside each product.



How about studying...



Digital Media Double A Level

The course will allow you to develop a strong knowledge and understanding of job roles in a large number of disciplines across the media industry. You'll gain hands-on experience of the production process, developing your own creative ideas and gaining skills in a range of industry standard software.

There is one additional exam to the single course: Social Media and Globalisation.

This unit looks at the role social media plays in our global society, the impact it has on individuals and businesses and will give you an understanding of censorship and regulation of the media. You will develop skills in planning a social media campaign for the launch of a new product based on a client brief.

You will also complete five of the following coursework units; Digital Animation, 3D Digital Modelling, Graphic Design, Interactive Media Products, Comics & Graphic Novels, Journalism and the News, Photography for Media, Audio-Visual Promos.

Each unit will give you the opportunity to work with a client brief and analyse the requirements before designing and creating your own product. The final choice of which units will be completed will be decided on the skills of the group as a whole. This means that you can have a direct input into the areas in which you would like to specialise and select units that interest you most.

This course will allow you to continue your studies at university or gain employment in roles such as a digital layout artist, graphic designer, web developer, animator, media editor, computer graphics modeller, app developer, studio assistant or sound editor.

Entry Requirements

This course must be taken alongside the Digital Media Single A Level course as a double option.



“ I TRAVEL FROM BILLINGHAM. THE BUS STOP IS RIGHT AT THE TOP OF MY STREET, IT ONLY TAKES 20 MINUTES AND STOPS RIGHT OUTSIDE EMS6.

THE FREE BUS PASS IS BONUS TOO! ”

Elliott - Year 12

SUMMER AFTERNOON BBQ



How about studying...

Economics



You will learn about how the economy works and how individuals and firms make decisions. The course also looks at the policies adopted to help improve society, both nationally and internationally.

Every day, the media report on economic issues such as unemployment, inflation, economic growth, government spending and taxation, exchange rates, international trade and share commodity price and exchange rate movements. Studying Economics will help you to consider and discover when politicians are not telling the economic truth. A qualification in Economics is an excellent basis for a career in politics and finance. The course will cover:

Operation of markets and market failure: The economic problem and economic methodology; price determination in a competitive market; production, costs and revenue; competitive and concentrated markets; the market mechanism, market failure and government intervention in markets.

The national economy in a global context: Measurement of macroeconomic performance; how the macro economy works; the circular flow of income, aggregate demand/aggregate supply analysis and related concepts; economic performance and macroeconomic policy.

Individuals, firms, markets and market failure: Individual economic decision making; production, costs and revenue; perfect competition, imperfectly competitive markets and monopoly; the labour market; the distribution of income and wealth: poverty and inequality and the market mechanism, market failure and government intervention in markets.

The national and international economy: The measurement of macroeconomic performance; how the macro economy works: the circular flow of income, AD/AS analysis and related concepts; economic performance; financial markets and monetary policy; fiscal policy and supply-side policies; the international economy.

Question papers use a variety of assessment styles including short answer, data response, essays and case study analysis. You will be assessed by sitting two exams in year 12 (internally assessed) and three formal and externally assessed exams in year 13.

Entry Requirements

At least a grade 5 in Maths.



How about studying...



English Language

English Language allows students to engage with language in the world around them.

Prescriptivist or descriptivist? Do you embrace language change or wince at your friends' terrible grammar and outrageous punctuation on Facebook?

English Language allows you to explore your personal point of view. You'll be encouraged to develop your study of written, spoken and multi-modal texts. You'll hone your critical analysis skills and evaluate data from a plethora of places. You'll also have the opportunity to sharpen your creative writing and research skills.

The course is fast paced. Be prepared to create presentations, work in a team and deliver your own lessons. You will enrich your taught input with autonomous investigations of linguistics.

Taught by experienced specialists, English Language is an extremely popular course, with excellent results.

It's a keystone A level. Studying English literally gives you the 'key' to an awe-inspiring wealth of future careers, from law to leisure industries, advertising to accountancy, tourism to teacher training, journalism to public services to the media. Or, you might end up becoming a writer.

A Level assessments include two summative examinations and the compilation of a coursework folder. This folder is made up of language investigation and a piece of original writing.

Entry Requirements

In order to be considered for this course you must have a grade 4 at GCSE level in English Language. A GCSE grade 4 or above in Mathematics or 4-4 in Science is also essential.

We know what we are,
but know not what we
may be.

William Shakespeare



How about studying...

English Literature



This course aims to broaden your understanding of genre through reading and analysing a range of challenging literary texts; focusing initially on the concept of tragedy, you will explore seminal texts from canonised tomes to contemporary classics.

You will find this course: rewarding, enriching and exciting. You will develop skills in both written and spoken English and you will also learn how to read texts closely and discuss a wide range of issues.

Literature is life, and all aspects of humanity are under the microscope in this consideration of poetry, prose and drama. You will be required to work independently and think critically as well as show your creative side.

This course will be taught using a range of learning and teaching activities including: teacher and student led lessons, presentations, group work, independent study and research.

The course is taught by Literature specialists and is an extremely popular course with excellent results.

At A level you will complete two examinations and produce a coursework folder of two essays. You will also be asked to keep a Reading Journal throughout the course. You must read the core course texts but you should also read widely around the subject, every text is a product of its context, the debate of which is often as intense as it is intriguing. Students often go on to study Literature at university feeling fully prepared and ready for the challenge.

Entry Requirements

In order to be considered for this course you must have a grade 6 at GCSE level in both English Language and English Literature.



How about studying...



Fashion and Textiles

Textiles have such a wide range of applications that they affect every aspect of our daily lives.

Fashion and Textiles A level gives you the opportunity to develop your capacity to design and make products and to explore the relations between design, materials, manufacture and marketing.

The subject will enable you to develop a wide range of skills, including working with others, thinking creatively and making quality products in Fashion and Textiles.

This creative and thought-provoking qualification gives students the practical skills, theoretical knowledge and confidence to succeed in a number of careers. Especially those in the creative industries.

You will investigate the historical, social, cultural, environmental and economic influences on fashion and textiles design and technology, whilst enjoying opportunities to put your learning into practice by producing prototypes of your choice.

You will gain a real understanding of what it means to be a designer, alongside the knowledge and skills sought by higher education and employers.

We're confident you'll find Fashion and Textiles an exciting and inspirational course.

Entry Requirements

A GCSE grade 4 or above in Maths, English and Science along with a Technology subject would normally be required. The GCSE in Technology should be a grade 9-4 and preferably be in Fashion & Textiles. Other Technology or Art subjects, however, can be taken into account.



“An understanding of the natural world and the people in it is a source of not only a great curiosity but great fulfilment.”

Sir David Attenborough

How about studying...

Geography



There has never been a better or more important time to study A level Geography.

Geography is one of the broadest, most dynamic and highly contemporary A levels you can study. Covering a wide range of content, such as world poverty and political systems, the future of the climate and cities or how to do scientific research you will get a bit of it all. Geography will nurture what you are interested in and give you an opportunity to find issues that speak to you and your sense of curiosity. Geography will lead you to an appreciation of the Earth and provide insight into the big issues facing the planet and us who live on it today. Furthermore, it helps us to understand the decisions that are being made around these issues today.

Geography equips students with an incredibly wide range of skills. Students learn how to conduct scientific research, use statistical methods, write essays, construct arguments and critically evaluate the situation around them. These are all increasingly important skills for a world of work where the future is uncertain. Students that have studied Geography at both A level and degree level are rapidly becoming some of the most sought after graduates around because of the huge range of skills that they possess, as well as the breadth of knowledge that they come with.

The course is split into human and physical geography. Human topics such as urbanisation and globalisation are very good for generating debate and allowing you to apply your knowledge to a worldwide context. Physical geography looks at topics such as natural hazards and look at how hazards occur, what can be done to predict them and the management that is in place if one occurs.

The course comprises of three components:

Component 1: Physical Geography; Water & Carbon Cycles, Coastal Systems and Landscapes, Hazards. (2hr 30min written exam – 40% of A level)

Component 2: Human Geography; Global Systems and Governance, Changing Places, Contemporary Urban Environments. (2hr 30min written exam – 40% of A level)

Component 3: Geographical Investigation; Students complete an individual investigation which must include data collected in the field. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue defined and developed by the student relating to any part of the specification content. (3000-4000 word report – 20% of A level)

Entry Requirements

Although a qualification in Geography at GCSE is desirable it is not essential.
All students need a GCSE grade 5 in English Language and Maths.



How about studying...

Government and Politics



If you are interested in current events, finding out about how government works and why people vote for different political parties, then Government and Politics is the ideal course for you.

Unit 1: U.K. Politics and core political ideas (33%)

You will study how people participate in politics by considering what democracy is, how people vote and what effects their choice when voting. How different election systems work and how different voting systems would affect the outcome of an election. You will learn how pressure groups try to influence government and study some of the most famous U.K General Elections of recent years. You will also deepen your understanding of the political parties of the UK: the Conservative Party, the Labour Party, in addition to the other smaller political parties. You will look at the core political ideas that underpin most political parties; conservatism, liberalism, socialism.

Unit 2: U.K. Government and a non-core political idea e.g anarchism (33%)

You will study how the different branches of U.K government work. What the U.K constitution is and how it has evolved from the Magna Carta and has been reformed in recent years to devolve power from Westminster to regional governments. How Parliament works and hold government accountable as well as the role and powers of the Prime Minister. Most importantly, you will study how these different branches of U.K government interact with and work alongside each other.

Unit 3: Comparative Politics: the USA (33%)

This unit mirrors the U.K Government unit and you will study similar features of the US government and compare these to their U.K counterparts. You will study the US Constitution and federalism work. Additionally, you will look at how the US Congress functions and the office of President. You will also consider how the US Supreme Court checks the power of Congress and the President and some of its landmark cases, such as Roe v Wade. You will also look at how people vote in America and the key features of the Democrat and Republican parties.

How is it assessed?

You will sit 3 exams at the end of year 13 which will make up 100% of your total mark.

Entry Requirements

All students need a GCSE grade 5 English Language and Maths.



How about studying...



Graphic Design

The course is designed to provide a specialist programme of study that covers the key knowledge and practical skills required to progress in the field of Graphic Design.

Students will study disciplines such as advertising, illustration, packaging design, typography, website design, desktop publishing and animation.

We encourage students to be creative, independent and individual and help them develop the skills they will need to progress in the field of Graphic Design. The research and development work is completed in a sketchbook and we have two suites of computers with the latest Adobe software for the production of final outcomes. Students are able to work to their strengths and develop their own style.

In year 12 and 13 you will study one main unit of work. This Personal Investigation will be thematic and will evolve based on your particular focus and interests. The Personal Investigation unit will be separated into smaller projects covering a range of graphic design skills including: advertising, illustration using traditional and digital techniques, packaging design, typography and interactive media. You will also complete a project based on a starting point from the examination paper. In all, there will be 1 unit of study in year 12 and 1 unit of study in year 13.

Students often progress to Art and Design foundation courses and then degree courses, although we have a high percentage of students who have been accepted directly onto Graphic Design courses on the strength of their creative portfolio. The nature of the course provides the perfect foundation for progression into a career in Graphic Design, one of the most popular and modern forms of art and design in the world today.

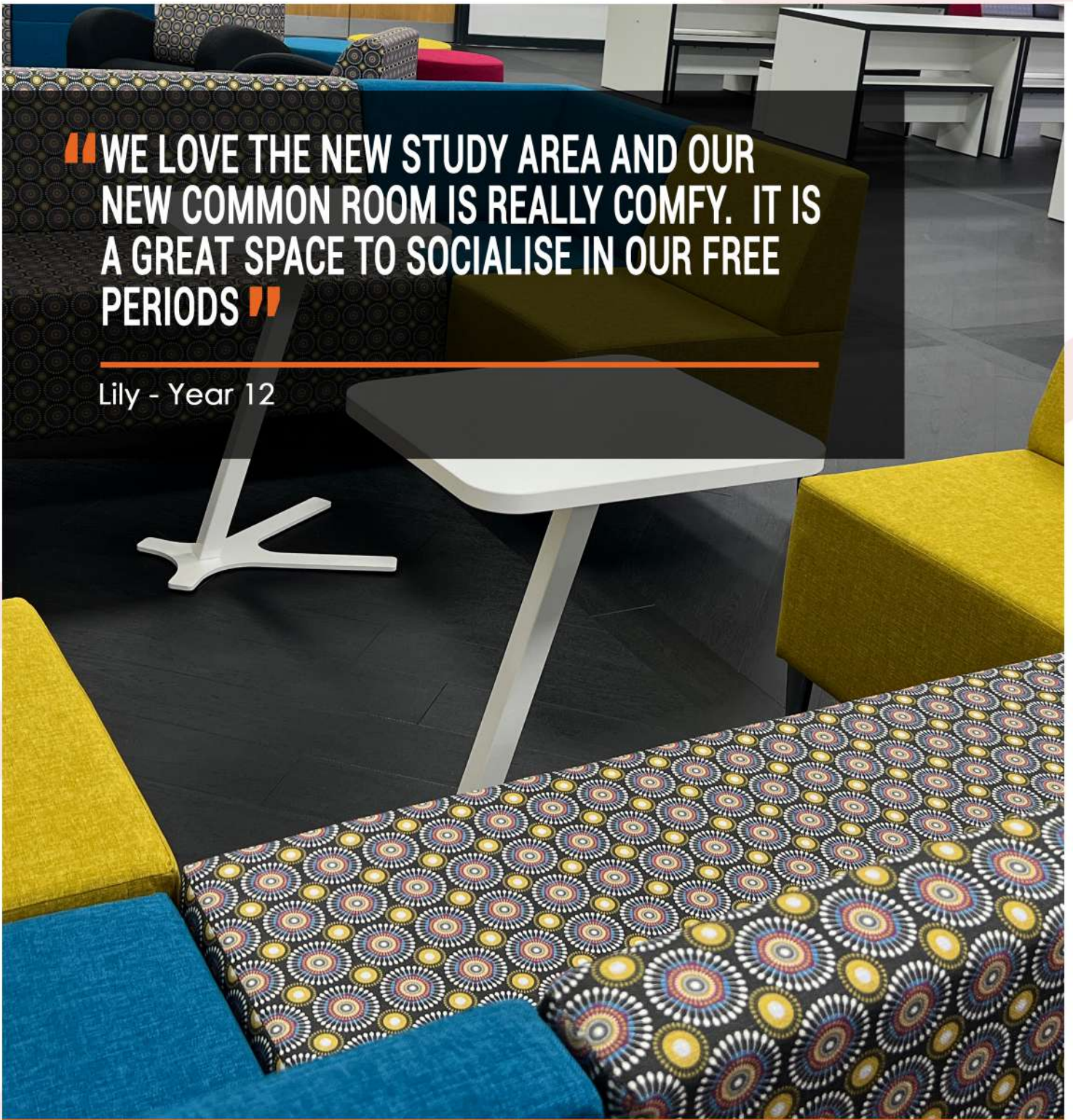
100% of our students have achieved an A*- C grade in Graphic Design since 2016

Entry Requirements

Students are expected to have at least a grade 4 at GCSE level in an Art and Design subject. A portfolio can be viewed for consideration by an art teacher on request if you have not achieved the required grades.

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NEW COMMON ROOM IS REALLY COMFY. IT IS
A GREAT SPACE TO SOCIALISE IN OUR FREE
PERIODS”**

Lily - Year 12





How about studying...

Health and Social Care



This course is available in a Single or Double A Level Option and ideal for anyone pursuing a career in a health related profession.

Single A Level: BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate: Students have the opportunity to take the BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care which is the equivalent to one A level. It is for students interested in learning about the health and social care sector alongside other fields of study, probably with a view to progression to a wide range of degree courses, not necessarily the health or social care sector.

Students studying this qualification will study four mandatory units over the two years covering the following content areas: Human Life Span Development, Supporting Individuals with Additional Needs, Working in Health and Social Care and Meeting Individual Needs.

Double A Level: BTEC Level 3 National Diploma: Students who want to progress directly into a career in the Health Care Sector should consider the double A level course. Students will study the same units required in the single A level, but will undertake four additional units: Promoting Public Health, Work Experience in Health and Social, Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care and Principle of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care.

Students will also be given the opportunity to experience a vocational placement and undertake a unit called Work experience in Health and Social Care. Work experience provides a foundation for the development of professional skills and personal attributes which are essential for working in the health and social care sector and many more professions.

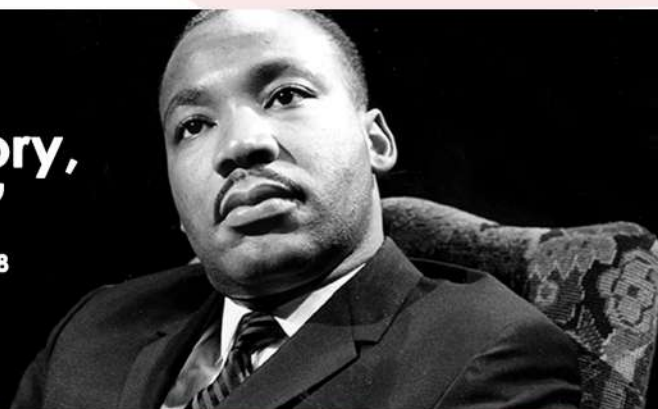
Both courses are assessed by 60% coursework and 40% examination and students are required to undergo an Enhanced Disclosure Application excepted under the Exceptions Orders to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974.

Entry Requirements

It is not essential that students have studied Health and Social Care previously but students must have five or more GCSEs at grade 4 or above. A grade 4 in English Language is required.

**“We are not makers of history,
We are made by history”**

Martin Luther King Jr. American Civil Rights Activist 1929-1968



How about studying...

History



If you are interested in the world around you, this course is perfect for you. It offers the opportunity to explore fascinating events of the past whilst building essential skills for future life.

Unit 1: (Exam 25%) – England 1547-1603: The Later Tudors. You will study the reign of Henry VIII's three children, starting with the boy-king Edward VI. Explore how he transformed Protestantism and after his death at the age of only 15, his throne was passed to his Catholic sister 'Bloody Mary'. You will study her persecution of Protestants which earned her the infamous nickname. Finally, you will study the reign of Anne Boleyn's daughter Elizabeth, 'The Virgin Queen', who restored religious peace and fought against protest and attack.

Unit 2 (Exam 15%) – Russia 1894-1941: You will study 4 key themes and their impact on Russian society. You will explore the reign of Nicholas II, the challenges and growing threat to his autocratic rule and his actions to save his throne. Topic 2 studies the 1917 Revolutions and the dramatic political upheavals caused by the revolutions that leads to the fall of the Romanov dynasty. We will then study the transition from revolution to the Civil War and how the Bolsheviks under Lenin seize power in Russia. The final topic investigates the rule of Stalin, how he outmanoeuvres his political rivals and secures his dictatorship through a police state, his purges and the 'cult of personality'.

Unit 3: (Exam 40%) – Civil Rights in the USA 1865-1992: You will study how African Americans, women, Native Americans and Trade Unions all fought for their Civil Rights from the American Civil War, 1865 until 1992. You will cover how the government wanted to help or hinder each movement, and how things changed with each president. You will also explore the different techniques that they each used across the time period such as the March on Washington or the shoot outs with the Black Panther Party, and how influential different figures were to each movement, for instance, Martin Luther King Jr. to African American rights.

Coursework: (20%): You will choose a question to explore, based on the content of the Germany unit or the Elizabethan unit. After independent exploration, you will write a 3000-4000 word essay. Explore fascinating areas of debate, such as 'To what extent was Hitler a weak dictator?' or 'How far was Elizabeth's failure to marry the result of the attitude of her council?'

Entry Requirements

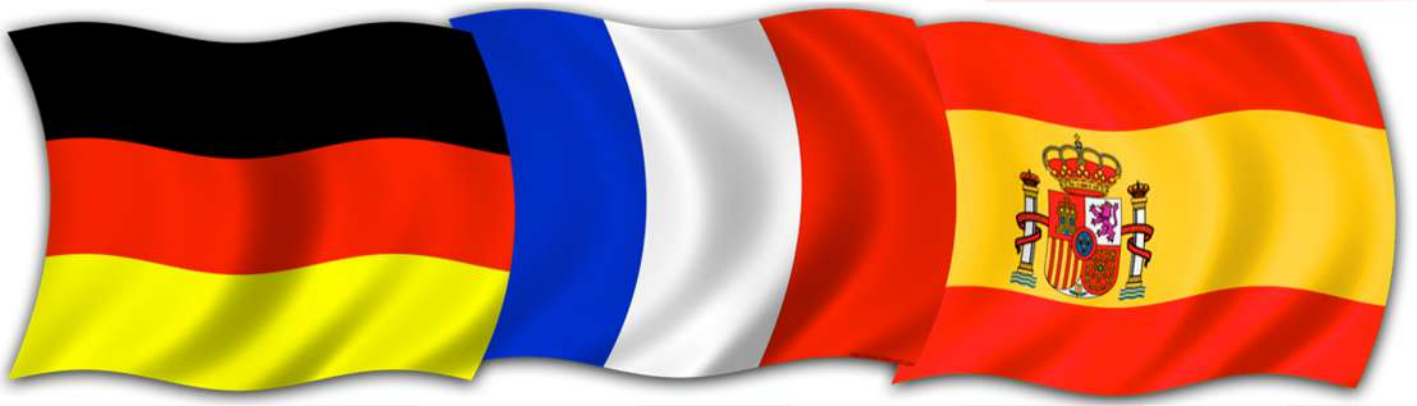
Although a qualification in History at GCSE is desirable it is not essential. All students need a GCSE grade 5 English Language and Maths.

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Lewis - Year 12



LONDON TRIP WITH A LEVEL HISTORY



How about studying...

Languages

French, German and Spanish



Through language learning, students acquire a deeper understanding and awareness of different cultures.

The ability to communicate in a foreign language is highly regarded by both universities and employers. Language learning helps develop key communication, interpersonal and problem solving skills that are highly valued in the work place.

Students study a range of topics relating to France, Germany or Spain which includes: current trends, artistic culture, multiculturalism and aspects of political life.

Grammatical competence is developed throughout and by the end of the course students will be able to communicate effectively and spontaneously in the language.

In the second year, an individual research project allows students to focus on an area of personal interest and further develop their linguistic and cultural awareness independently.

The courses are taught by three specialist teachers and students are also provided with a mini iPad so that they have access to authentic listening and reading materials and to encourage independent learning. During the course students usually have the opportunity to take part in an overseas visit to develop their language skills and experience the culture of the country first hand.

The course is assessed by external examinations:

Paper 1 – Listening and reading (50%)

Paper 2 – Writing (20%)

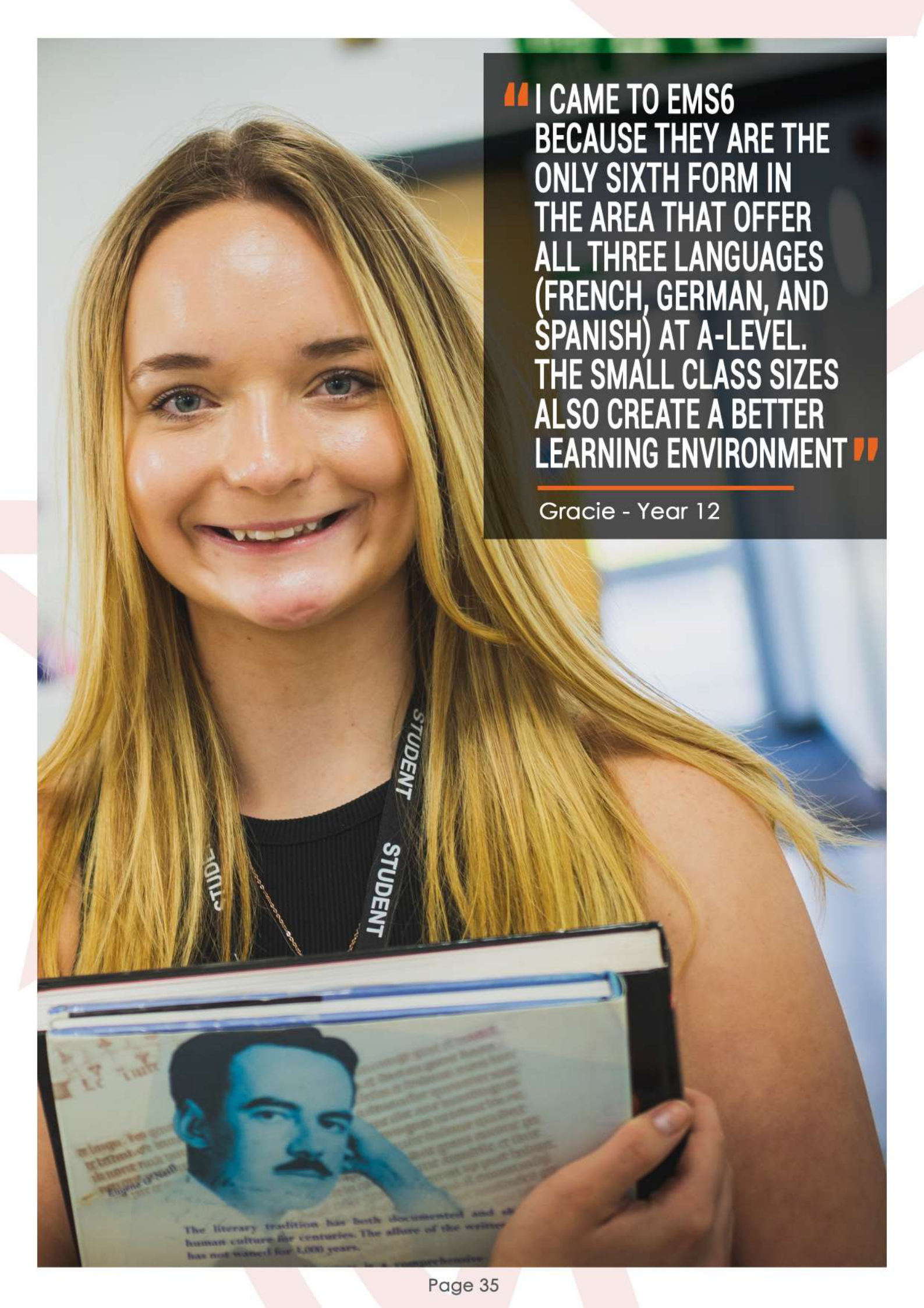
Paper 3 – Speaking (30%)

Listening exams are completed independently in formal exam conditions using an MP3 player.

An A level in a foreign language is always highly regarded by universities. Students frequently continue their study of a language, often combining it with another discipline such as History, Maths, Accountancy, Business or Linguistics. It is increasingly common to include a language module in a wide range of degree courses.

Entry Requirements

In order to study a language at A level students will normally be required to have grade 5 in that language at GCSE and have preferably sat higher papers.



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THE SMALL CLASS SIZES
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LEARNING ENVIRONMENT ”**

Gracie - Year 12



How about studying...

Law



A robust legal system is the foundation of a fair society.

If you feel strongly about concepts like justice and equality then this course could be rewarding for you.

You might see yourself in a career involving the criminal or civil justice system. Alternatively, you might want to choose law because it is a fascinating course which will help you to develop transferable skills such as analysis, evaluation and problem solving.

As you progress, you will learn about sources of law such as judicial precedent and legislation and about the operation of criminal law, including non-fatal offences against the person and those which are fatal such as murder and manslaughter. In addition, you will develop an understanding of tort and contract law. You will be able to apply your knowledge to fictional scenarios and thus decide whether a person would be guilty or liable in a 'real - life' situation.

The course is mainly classroom based although you will have the opportunity to see the law in action through a visit to a court. You will create and deliver presentations, and work in pairs and teams to resolve problems, thus enriching the taught input.

The course is assessed through three two-hour external written examinations in June of year 13, which will include problem-solving scenario-based questions along with other essay questions.

Many former students have gone on to a range of careers including the police, social work, local government, the civil service, accountancy, insurance, business, banking, and teaching. Many have entered the legal profession as solicitors or barristers following a degree in Law.

It is a very popular subject and at English Martyrs the results are well above the national average.

**Law Results 2022 were significantly above National Average.
92% of grades were A*-B**

Entry Requirements

The course is academically demanding as students must be able to construct high quality essays in which they apply and critically evaluate legal rules and concepts. Students will require at least 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above which must include English Language.



Mathematics reveals its secrets only to those who approach it with pure love, for its own beauty.

Archimedes

How about studying...



Mathematics

Mathematics is a challenging but rewarding subject that can open doors for the future.

In your first year you will study a mixture of Pure Mathematics, Statistics and Mechanics. Mechanics will involve Pure Mathematics content, it will build upon the algebra and trigonometry skills developed at GCSE such as solving quadratics, simultaneous equations, sine and cosine rule, and extending them further. You will be introduced to calculus where you will learn how to differentiate and integrate. The Statistics studied in the first year of the course will focus mainly on the interpretation of data, probability and the use of distributions which will be studied in greater depth than that at GCSE. In Mechanics, you will study the equations of motion, forces and variable acceleration.

In your second year you will continue to develop a greater understanding of Pure Mathematics by solving more complex problems using technical and sophisticated algebra techniques. This will include further techniques for differentiation, integration and solving trigonometric equations. You will complete your study of Statistics including hypothesis testing and the normal distribution. In Mechanics you will look at modelling real life problems with a particular focus on uniform and non-uniform motion, forces and moments. For students studying Physics, it is strongly recommended that you study A level Mathematics.

The Mathematics A level course is assessed at the end of 2 years of study and is 100% exam. During the course, students will sit regular, internal assessments (at least 1 per half term) as well as completing regular, weekly homework.

In each year of the course, students will be able to take part in the UKMT Individual Maths Challenge as well as competing in the UKMT Maths Team Challenge.

To study Mathematics at university, you will be required to have at least an A level in Mathematics; some universities will also require an A level in Further Mathematics. For many undergraduate degrees, an A level in Mathematics is desirable and sometimes essential (Physics, Engineering, Computing, Economics, and Chemistry). It is not just the content that you study that makes an A level in Mathematics highly desirable: it is the complex problem solving and logical thinking skills that you will develop. Maths graduates have many careers to choose from in wide-ranging industries including accountancy, engineering, actuarial work, teaching and politics

Entry Requirements

GCSE Maths at grade 6 or above. In addition, all students who enrol onto the course will take an independent study which will include grade 8&9 work from the GCSE qualification. The study will be assessed in the first weeks of the course.



How about studying...



Mathematics Further

Further Mathematics is a challenging qualification which both extends and deepens your knowledge and understanding beyond the standard A level Mathematics.

In addition to the skills developed in A level Mathematics, you will develop further algebra techniques and study topics such as: matrices, complex numbers, mathematical proof, and differential equations in the Pure Mathematics modules as well as some Applied Mathematics.

In your first year you will study a mixture of Pure Mathematics and Decision. The Pure Mathematics content will build upon the algebra skills developed in A level Mathematics and you will be introduced to complex numbers, matrices, vectors and mathematical proof. The Decision Mathematics studied in the first year of the course will focus mainly on algorithms, network problems, game theory and linear programming.

In your second year you will move on to study complex numbers and vectors in greater detail along with differential equations and group theory. This will be supported by further study of Statistics and/or Mechanics in addition to that covered in the A level Mathematics. If you wish to study Mathematics at university, it is strongly recommended that you study Further Mathematics at A level as some universities have it as a requirement.

The Mathematics A level course is assessed at the end of 2 years of study and is 100% exam. During the course students will sit regular internal assessments (at least 1 per half term) as well as completing weekly homework.

Entry Requirements

GCSE Maths at grade 8 or above.

Students who wish to follow this course should do so alongside Mathematics A level.



How about studying...

Music



Through performing, composing and listening, Music A level gives students a chance to refine their musical skills and appreciate a wide range of music more deeply.

The subject is split into three component parts, developing both academic and practical skills.

- 1. Appraising Music:** Students will listen to a range of music from across music history and will learn to identify complex musical features as well as studying three strands of learning, and one optional area of study (music for theatre).
- 2. Performing Music:** Students will be asked to perform 10 minutes worth of music either as a soloist or as a member of an ensemble with an option to perform through music technology.
- 3. Composing Music:** Students will compose two pieces of music, one is a free composition, one is set to a brief. Students will create their music using Sibelius or ProTools 10.

The course is taught by two music specialists who have a wealth of performance, composition and analytical experience.

Music is a fully recognised academic A level and is extremely desirable at Russell Group universities. Previous Music A level students have gone on to study at a range of universities such as Cambridge and Durham and conservatoires such as The Royal Northern College of Music and The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

There are many extra-curricular opportunities available to students including: performing in our annual school show, EMS Live, the Orchestra, Big Band and Chamber Choir. A level musicians are expected to be leading members of our school ensembles and mentor younger students.

Entry Requirements

GCSE Music and GCSE English Language at Grade 4 or above.
Grade 5 standard (or equivalent) in their first instrument/voice
Grade 5 theory would be an advantage – extra classes are available to support A-level music studies.

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We Will Rock You
Les Miserables





How about studying...



Performing Arts

This course gives students an understanding of all aspects of the discipline and combines it with the opportunity to specialise in the performance of Drama, Dance, Music and Theatre Production.

The subject is a blend of practical and written assessments. You will be encouraged to demonstrate your skills and talents.

Within the first year you will develop practical skills, understand how to apply these into the industry, and explore the importance of the arts within the community. The second year course contains two units. The first one involves working independently on solo performances, and the second is developing your knowledge of practitioners and working with your peers. Examination units are externally set by the examination board and internally and externally assessed.

The course is designed with the work place in mind: with refreshing and exciting content that is up to date and fit for purpose. It is particularly suitable for students who want to take the pathway of acting, dance, music and theatre production.

You will practically apply your skills and knowledge in preparation for future study or the workplace. As well as developing technical and performance skills, you will also develop theoretical knowledge and understanding to underpin your skills.

You will be equipped with the skills to be able to research, apply elements to your own performance and set out project proposals. You will gain a range of transferable skills that will underpin freelance work in your chosen field.

The course is extremely popular with excellent results. Students have gone on to higher education courses at university or performing arts schools as well as taking up freelance opportunities.

During the course, there are opportunities to take part in musicals, trips to the theatre to see professional shows, workshops and visits from professionals in the industry and many extracurricular groups.

Entry Requirements

GCSE grade 4 or above in English Language and any experience within the arts. A grade 9-4 in Drama, Dance or Music preferred but a GCSE in these areas is not essential.



How about studying...



Photography

This is an Art centred subject encouraging creativity, individuality and independent learning. The subject is a blend of practical – darkroom and digital – and written critical studies and evaluation.

The course involves two components. The first is a Personal Investigation (60%) into a chosen theme of Photography. Students research and analyse their theme and produce a portfolio of work based on their findings. Students will explore experimental, landscape, portraiture and close up photography. Component two is the examination unit (40%) at the end of year 13. It is externally set by the examination board and takes the form of a creative portfolio of work similar to the coursework unit.

The course is designed to allow students to be independent and creative; to produce exciting, individual photography work whilst exploring and drawing influence and inspiration from selected artists and photographers.

Students are encouraged to experiment with traditional techniques as well as exploring new techniques and media. We have a fully functioning dark room and portrait studio as well as three computer suites, equipped with state of the art computers and Adobe Creative Suite package.

During the course, there are opportunities to visit UK and international cities to develop photographic studies.

The course is extremely popular with excellent results. Students have gone on to higher education courses at university as well as taking up apprenticeships and freelance opportunities. The Photography course can lead to careers including:

- Advertising Photographer
- Fashion Photographer
- Photo Journalist
- Film Maker
- YouTube video creator

Entry Requirements

There are no specific qualifications needed for the Photography course although an 'artistic eye' is an advantage.



How about studying...

Physics



This is a subject involving advanced scientific models and theories, problem solving and mathematical skills.

A large part of the course involves the use of mathematical skills (such as algebra) combined with the understanding of scientific theories, to attain answers pertaining to topics such as Particle Physics, Mechanics and Electricity.

The aim is to prepare students to develop the skills to potentially answer any physical question, or plan an experiment to investigate the universe on any scale.

Students will complete 12 required practicals and present a lab book for the Physics Practical Endorsement. The endorsement is a requirement of all Science undergraduates at university. The practicals include investigations into stationary waves, emf, gravitational fields and elasticity of metals.

The course is taught by Physics specialists and all practical work is internally assessed. The examinations are held in June and externally marked. A level examinations (three 2 hour papers) will be taken at the end of the two year course.

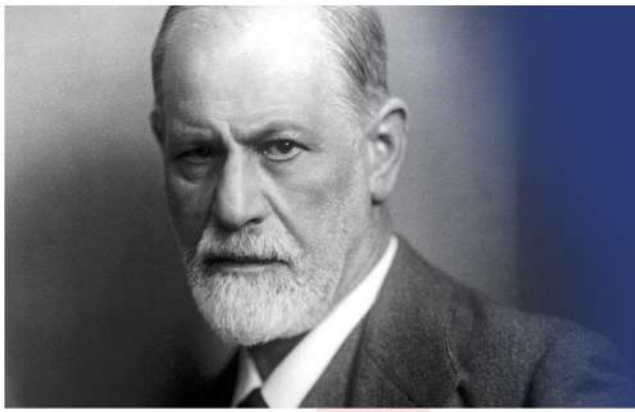
The course requires an interest in how the universe works, from subatomic particles to galaxies. It is a demanding curriculum which requires tenacity, self-motivation, preparation and practise.

Students have gone on to higher education courses at university all over the UK as well as taking up prestigious apprenticeships.

One student from year 12 will become Physicist of the Year – a prestigious award given by the Odgen Trust which comes with the opportunity for a scholarship at Durham University.

Entry Requirements

At least a grade 6 in Physics or a grade 6-6 in Combined Science. A grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics is also required. Recommended combined study with A level Mathematics



"Every normal person, in fact, is only normal on the average. His ego approximates to that of the psychotic in some part or other and to a greater or lesser extent."

Sigmund Freud

How about studying...

Psychology



Psychology is the science of behaviour and mind, embracing all aspects of conscious and unconscious experience.

It is an academic discipline which seeks to understand individuals and groups by establishing general principles and researching specific cases.

Psychology is now recognised as a science reflecting its value within Higher Education and amongst employers. Psychology is a fascinating subject that underpins all human behaviour. You only have to look at the news to see how psychology is used to explain events and offer an understanding as to why people do the things they do.

At English Martyrs results are above national averages and comparable centres and we strive to ensure our students fulfil their potential.

Below are just some of the examples of what you will study with us at English Martyrs:

Could anyone be a killer?

What is a Psychopath?

Does stress make us physically ill, if so how?

Is it true we are genetically pre-programmed to sniff out the ideal mate?

Why do footballers experience an increase in testosterone during home games?

How does the brain recover after injury?

Why did 38 people witness a murder but none of them phone the police?

What is epigenetics?

How does meditation change the structure of our brain?

Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs (grade 4 and above) including Maths and English Language.

Psychology includes 25% Biology and 10% Maths so a Science GCSE grade 4-4 and above is also desirable.



How about studying...

Religious Studies



The study of moral, ethical and philosophical questions to better understand human nature.

The course is divided into three sections:

Philosophy of Religion:

Ancient philosophical influences/the nature of the soul, mind and body/arguments about the existence or non-existence of God/the nature and impact of religious experience/the challenge for religious belief of the problem of evil/ideas about the nature of God/issues in religious language.

Religion and Ethics:

Normative ethical theories/the application of ethical theory to two contemporary issues of importance/ethical language and thought/debates surrounding the significant idea of conscience/sexual ethics and the influence on ethical thought of developments in religious beliefs.

Developments in Religious Thought:

Religious beliefs, values and teachings, their interconnections and how they vary historically and in the contemporary world/sources of religious wisdom and authority/practices which shape and express religious identity, and how these vary within a tradition/significant social and historical developments in theology and religious thought/key themes related to the relationship between religion and society.

The course is taught by specialists. The course is extremely popular with excellent results. Students who have studied Religious Studies over the past years have embarked upon various courses and careers including Law, Theology, History, Education and Philosophy.

Entry Requirements

All candidates who wish to study Religious Studies should have gained at least a grade 4 in Religious Education and English Language at GCSE.



How about studying...

Sociology



Sociology is the study of society – how it works, why it works, and how it could change. It's a fascinating subject that covers all aspects of modern life.

You will learn the fundamentals of the sociological theory and develop skills valued by higher education and employers, including critical analysis, independent thinking and research. You will be able to engage in argument and debate, to analyse qualitative and quantitative data and to conduct independent research. The course has a high reputation with employers, and you could go on to work in fields and degrees as varied as the media, law, industry, international organisations, politics, management, research, teaching and the Civil Service.

Unit 1 – Education (Exam: 80 marks, 2 hours) The role and functions of the education system, including its relationship to the economy and to class structure. Differential educational achievement of social groups, Relationships and processes within schools, The significance of educational policies, including policies of selection, marketisation and privatisation.

Unit 2 – Topic 1 – Families and Households (Exam: 40 marks, 1 hour) The relationship of the family to the social structure and social change, Changing patterns of marriage, cohabitation, separation, divorce, childbearing and the life course, Gender roles, Domestic labour and power relationships, The nature of childhood, and changes in the status of children in the family and society. Demographic trends in the United Kingdom since 1900: birth rates, death rates, family size, life expectancy, ageing population, and migration and globalisation.

Unit 2 – Topic 2 – The Media (Exam: 40 marks, 1 hours) The new media and their significance for an understanding of the role of the media in contemporary society. The relationship between ownership and control of the media. The media, globalisation and popular culture. The processes of selection and presentation of the content of the news. Media representations of age, social class, ethnicity, gender, sexuality and disability. The relationship between the media, their content and presentation, and audiences.

Unit 3 – Crime and Deviance (Exam: 80 marks, 2 hours) Crime, deviance, social order and social control. The social distribution of crime and deviance by ethnicity, gender and social class, Globalisation and crime in contemporary society; the media and crime; green crime; human rights and state crimes. Crime control, surveillance, prevention and punishment, victims, and the role of the criminal justice system and other agencies.

Entry Requirements

A grade 5 in Maths.



How about studying...



Sport and Physical Activity

The OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Sport and Physical Activity is not just about being able to play sport, it will provide learners with the skills, knowledge and understanding to progress into Higher Education on a sport-related programme.

The qualification is designed to be taken as part of a study programme alongside other vocational qualifications or A levels, such as A level Biology and A level Psychology.

Learners will take between five and six units made up of mandatory and optional units: Everybody will study the following mandatory units:

- Body systems and the effects of physical activity
- Sports coaching and activity leadership
- Sports organisation and development

These units will give learners an understanding of sport in the wider contexts of coaching and leadership, anatomy and physiology, the body's short- and long-term responses to physical activity and the framework of sport in the UK and the organisations involved.

Learners will also develop transferable skills such as planning, communication, adaptability and leadership.

Units 1 and 3 are assessed by exams. All the other units are internally assessed and moderated by the exam board.

Entry Requirements

Students should have achieved at least a grade 4-4 in Science.

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Pop in and see us at one of our Open Events, Apply to us when we visit you in school or call us to make an appointment with one of our team.

Open Event Dates:

Thursday 10th November 2022
Thursday 23rd March 2023

Step Two

Keep In Touch

Once you've applied we will keep in touch with you via email or in writing.

We will keep you updated with everything you need to know about making the transition to EMS6.

Also see our website and social media for news and information!

Step Three

Work Hard

You know where you want to be - now work hard throughout Year 11 and make sure you get there!

Your exams will be here before you know it, make sure you are ready for them.

Get in touch if you have any questions and one of our team will be on hand to support you.

Step Four

Enrol

The enrolment process is open from Results Day and is when you officially join the college and select the subjects you are studying.

Before the summer holidays we will arrange an enrolment appointment with one of our specialist and dedicated sixth form team.

**We are here to support you every step of the way.
Contact the team via email: ems6@ems.bhcef.org.uk**