

Accreditation and Qualifications

We recognise and celebrate achievement at every level and ensure students leave Mayfield with qualifications and accreditation that reflect their learning journey.

Students may work towards:

NCFE Functional Skills Qualifications

- Functional Skills English
- Functional Skills Mathematics

These qualifications provide nationally recognised evidence of the literacy and numeracy skills required for future education, training and employment.

AQA Unit Award Scheme

The AQA Unit Award Scheme enables students to gain accreditation for a wide range of personalised learning experiences, including:

- Employability skills
- Community participation
- Travel training
- Independent living
- Enterprise projects
- Work-related learning
- Personal development
- Vocational skills

This flexible approach ensures that all achievements are recognised and celebrated, regardless of starting point or individual pathway.

ASDAN Programmes

programmes provide practical, engaging and meaningful learning opportunities that support students in developing the knowledge, skills and confidence required for adulthood, further education and employment. ASDAN qualifications are highly regarded within specialist education and offer flexible pathways tailored to individual learning needs and aspirations.

ASDAN Employability Qualifications

ASDAN Employability programmes enable learners to develop the transferable skills required in the workplace and prepare for future employment opportunities. Students explore areas such as:

- Communication and teamwork
- Problem-solving and decision-making
- Customer service

- Applying for jobs and interview skills
- Workplace health and safety
- Rights and responsibilities at work
- Enterprise and business awareness
- Self-management and professionalism

These qualifications help learners build confidence, recognise their strengths and prepare for progression into employment, apprenticeships, supported internships or further education.

ASDAN Workright

Workright is an employability-focused programme designed to help learners develop the essential skills, attitudes and behaviours required for successful participation in the workplace. Through practical activities and work-related experiences, students learn about:

- Health and safety in the workplace
- Attendance, timekeeping and professional appearance
- Working effectively with others
- Teamwork and communication
- Completing workplace tasks
- Using workplace equipment safely
- Seeking help and solving problems appropriately

The programme complements work experience placements and vocational learning, providing students with the skills and confidence needed to become active and successful members of the workforce.

Together, ASDAN programmes support our commitment to Preparation for Adulthood, ensuring students develop the independence, employability and life skills required to thrive in their future communities and workplaces.

Additional Vocational Qualifications

Students may also achieve a range of industry-recognised awards and certificates including:

- Emergency First Aid
- Food Hygiene
- Manual Handling
- Health and Safety
- Customer Service
- Barista Training
- Hospitality Awards
- Other vocational qualifications linked to individual career aspirations

Preparing for Adulthood Through Real-Life Learning

A key strength of our Sixth Form curriculum is its emphasis on learning beyond the classroom.

Students are provided with meaningful opportunities to apply their skills in authentic contexts through:

- Work Experience Placements
- Vocational Experiences
- School-Based Employment Opportunities
- Enterprise Activities
- Community-Based Learning
- Volunteering Opportunities
- Independent Travel Training
- Residential Experiences
- Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Student Leadership Roles

These experiences help students develop confidence, resilience, independence and employability skills whilst preparing for successful transitions into adulthood.

Careers and Employability

Careers education is embedded throughout the Sixth Form curriculum and is not viewed as a standalone subject. Instead, opportunities to develop workplace skills, employer engagement and career aspirations are woven into everyday learning.

Through our commitment to the Gatsby Benchmarks, students benefit from:

- Personalised careers guidance
- Encounters with employers
- Workplace experiences
- Links between curriculum learning and careers
- Further education and training exploration
- Individual destination planning
- Preparation for interviews and applications

This ensures that every young person leaves Mayfield with a clear understanding of their strengths, aspirations and next steps.

Destination-Focused Learning

Everything we do in the Sixth Form is designed with the future in mind.

Our curriculum supports students to develop the skills, knowledge and personal qualities required to progress into a range of positive destinations including:

- Further Education
- Specialist Colleges
- Supported Internships
- Employment
- Apprenticeships
- Volunteering
- Adult Day Opportunities
- Community-Based Provision
- Independent and Supported Living Pathways

Above all, our curriculum aims to ensure that every student leaves Mayfield as a confident, valued and active member of their community, equipped with the skills and experiences needed to thrive in adulthood and achieve their fullest potential.