

Our Sixth Form Curriculum

Preparing Young People for Life Beyond Mayfield

The Sixth Form curriculum at Mayfield School builds upon the foundations established throughout a student's educational journey and provides a personalised, aspirational pathway towards adulthood. Whilst remaining firmly rooted within the values, vision and curriculum drivers of Mayfield School, our Sixth Form offer evolves to meet the changing needs, ambitions and future aspirations of our young people as they prepare for life after school.

Our curriculum is designed around the belief that every student deserves the opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills, confidence and independence required to lead a fulfilling and meaningful adult life. Learning is personalised and delivered through our Pre-Formal, Semi-Formal and Formal pathways, ensuring that all students access an appropriately challenging and relevant curriculum.

The 'golden threads' of our curriculum drivers continue to underpin all teaching and learning within the Sixth Form and are woven throughout every aspect of school life. These drivers support students to develop communication, independence, resilience, wellbeing, employability and community participation skills, enabling them to achieve positive outcomes both during their time with us and beyond.

Our curriculum reflects the four nationally recognised **Preparation for Adulthood outcomes**:

- Employment and meaningful occupation
- Independent living
- Community inclusion and participation
- Good health and wellbeing

Alongside these outcomes, the curriculum is carefully aligned with the Gatsby Benchmarks for Good Career Guidance, ensuring that careers education, employability development and future planning are embedded throughout every student's learning journey.

Curriculum Areas

Students continue to access learning through our eight curriculum blocks, which are adapted to meet the needs of young adults and provide meaningful, real-world learning opportunities:

English, Reading, Writing and Communication

Developing functional communication, literacy and self-advocacy skills needed for everyday life, further education and employment.

Maths, Numeracy and Personal Finance

Building practical mathematical knowledge including budgeting, money management, shopping, travel and workplace numeracy.

Physical Development

Promoting healthy lifestyles, physical wellbeing, personal fitness and participation in recreational activities.

Humanities and the World Around Us

Developing understanding of communities, citizenship, current affairs, personal rights, responsibilities and the wider world.

Science, Technologies and Computing

Developing digital literacy, technology skills and understanding of modern workplaces and independent living technologies.

Creative and Performing Arts

Providing opportunities for self-expression, creativity, confidence building and the development of transferable skills.

Daily Living Skills

Preparing students for adult life through cooking, food preparation, household management, travel training, personal organisation and independent living skills.

Personal, Social, Emotional and Relationships Education

Supporting emotional wellbeing, healthy relationships, personal safety, confidence, self-awareness and preparation for adult responsibilities.