

# Wymondham College Sixth Form Year 12 Student Transition

Your Journey to Excellence Begins Here

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### The Sixth Form Team!



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Preparing exceptional students for exceptional futures



"Excellence is not a destination, it is a continuous journey that never ends."



Ready to take the next step in your educational journey?

High **Standards** 

Independence

Academic Challenge

Why Choose Us? - What Makes Us Special

#### **A Tradition of Excellence**

- Proud heritage of academic achievement
- Consistently ranked among the top sixth forms nationally
- Outstanding Ofsted rating
- Alumni network spanning prestigious universities and leading careers





#### **m** Collegiate Campus Environment

- Unique boarding and day school atmosphere
- Set in 83 acres of beautiful surroundings - Sports fields, Astro turf, Swimming pool, Tennis Courts
- University-style learning environment





#### Strong Sense of Community

- Supportive peer networks
- House system fostering belonging
- Inclusive, diverse student body





## **Beyond the Classroom Opportunities**

#### **More Than Just Academics**

- Student Voice: Active student council with real influence
- Cultural Events: Annual arts festival, concerts, and exhibitions
- Sports Excellence: County and national level competitions
- International Links: Exchange programmes and global partnerships
- Alumni Network: Ongoing support from successful graduates
- Social Events: Formal dinners, charity fundraisers, and celebrations





## A level Subjects

## **Explore Your Possibilities**





STEM Subjects: Mathematics | Further Mathematics | Biology | Chemistry | Physics | Computer Science | Psychology | Product Design



Humanities: History |
Geography | English
Literature | English Lit &
Language | Philosophy &
Religious Ethics



Modern Languages: French | Spanish



Creative Arts: Fine Art | Photography | Textiles



Social Sciences: Economics | Government & Politics | Sociology | Business Studies | Law



**Other Options:** Sport & Physical Education

## **Sensible Subject Combinations**



#### **Pathways to Your Dream Career**

#### Medicine Pathway

- Core: Biology + Chemistry
- Plus: Mathematics/Physics/Psychology
- Why ?: Essential for medical school entry requirements

#### **\$** Engineering Pathway

- Core: Mathematics + Physics
- Plus: Further
  Mathematics/Chemistry/Computer
  Science
- Why ?: Strong mathematical and scientific foundation

#### **Law Pathway**

- Core: History + English Literature
- Plus: Politics/Economics/Philosophy & Ethics
- Why ?: Develops critical thinking and analytical skills

## What if not A Levels?

**Alternative Pathways to Success** 

BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport (Equivalent to 3 A Levels)

#### Why Choose BTEC?

- More practical, coursework-based assessment
- Strong links to specific career paths
- Excellent progression to university or employment
- Suits different learning styles





#### **Entry Requirements:**

- Currently playing sports at a high level
- Minimum Grade 6 in GCSE PE or Merit in Level 2 BTEC Sport
- Minimum GCSE Grade 4 in English and Maths
- Character that exudes Pride, Passion and Positivity



## Playing to your strengths



#### **Success = Strengths + Interest + Effort**

#### **Consider Your Strengths:**

- Which subjects do you naturally excel in?
- Where do you achieve your best GCSE grades?
- What comes easily to you?

#### **Follow Your Interests:**

- What genuinely excites you?
- Which lessons do you look forward to?
- What would you study even if it wasn't required?

**Remember:** Passion + Aptitude = Success

## What we expect from our sixth formers

#### **Academic Standards:**

- Commitment to independent learning
- Meeting deadlines and assignment requirements
- Active participation in lessons
- Seeking help when needed

#### **Personal Development:**

- Taking responsibility for your education
- Developing maturity and leadership skills
- Contributing positively to college community
- Preparing for life beyond school

#### Time Management:

- Balancing academic work with enrichment activities
- Developing effective study habits
- Managing increased workload and independence



#### What Makes a Successful Sixth Former



#### **Academic Qualities:**

- Curious: Asking questions and seeking deeper understanding
- Independent: Taking ownership of learning
- **Resilient:** Bouncing back from setbacks
- Organised: Managing time and priorities effectively

#### **Personal Qualities:**

- Ambitious: Setting high goals and working towards them
- Collaborative: Working well with others
- Adaptable: Embracing new challenges
- **Reflective:** Learning from experiences

#### **Community Engagement:**

- Contributing to house activities and competitions
- Participating in clubs and societies
- Supporting younger students
- Representing the college positively



## A levels



Students study 3 A levels plus optional Further Maths or EPQ

11

Hours per subject per fortnight

33

Taught hours

Independent study hours

Sport

**Floreat** 

Wymondham Life

## Entry Requirements

Do You Meet Our Standards?

#### **Core Requirements:**

- English: Minimum Grade 4 (Grade 5 required for some subjects)
- Mathematics: Minimum Grade 4 (Grade 5 required for some subjects)
- Both English AND Mathematics required

#### **Subject-Specific Requirements:**

- **Grade 6:** Required in subjects you wish to study at A-Level
- **Grade 7:** Required for Mathematics
- Grade 8: Further Mathematics
- Special Considerations: Some subjects have additional requirements

#### Day Vs Boarder entry requirements

- Day Greater number of applications per place– Average grade 6.75
- Boarder Less applications Average grade a little lower than day



### Making Your Transition Smooth

#### **Before You Start:**

- Research your chosen subjects thoroughly
- Attend subject taster sessions
- Speak with current sixth form students
- Consider your long-term goals

#### **During Your First Term:**

- Establish good study routines
- Get involved in college activities
- Build relationships with teachers and peers
- Seek support when needed

**Remember:** Every successful sixth former started exactly where you are now!





## Our Sixth Form Team

You're Not Alone in This Journey

#### **Academic Support:**

- Subject teachers available for extra help
- Peer mentoring schemes
- Study skills workshops
- Revision and exam preparation sessions

#### **Pastoral Care:**

- Form tutors for day-to-day support
- House staff for residential students
- Counselling services available
- University and careers guidance





### Wellbeing



- Prioritise Sleep and Rest
- Eat well & Stay Hydrated
- Practice Mindfulness
- Stay Active

Success in Sixth Form

## Attitude to Learning



- Stay Organised
- Take Ownership
- Be Curious

## Pastoral Support



- Build relationships with tutors
- Ask for help Early
- Be open to Guidance
- Get Involved



## Destinations

Top third/Russell Group

Oxford/Cambridge

Degree Apprenticeships











## **Enrichment & Leadership Opportunities**

## WYMONDHAM COLLEGE

#### **Enrichment Opportunities:**

- Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme
- Competitive sports teams
- Cultural trips and exchanges
- CCF
- Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
- Subject-specific competitions and Olympiads
- Model United Nations
- Debating society

#### **Leadership Development:**

- Head Students, Principal's Council & JCR
- House competitions and events
- Peer mentoring programmes



#### Ready to Join Wymondham College Sixth Form?



"Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful."

#### Consider the following questions?

- What subjects interest you most?
- Which pathway appeals to you?
- What questions do you have about sixth form life?
- How can we support your transition?

#### Thank you for considering Wymondham College Sixth Form

Where your potential becomes reality