



Whitley Bay High
**SIXTH FORM
PROSPECTUS**
A local Sixth Form with a national reputation

**2026
2027**

WELCOME



Thank you for your interest in Whitley Bay High Sixth Form.

Our wide choice of subjects to study and outstanding examination success are just two of many reasons why you should join us. However our Sixth Form is about so much more than outstanding results.

I hope you enjoy reading this prospectus and choose to join us. You won't regret it! Use the website or email address to ask any questions, anytime!

Steve Williams

Director of Sixth Form

COME AND MEET US

Our Sixth Form Courses
Evening will take place on
Tuesday 9th December 5-7pm.



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witleybayhighschool.org

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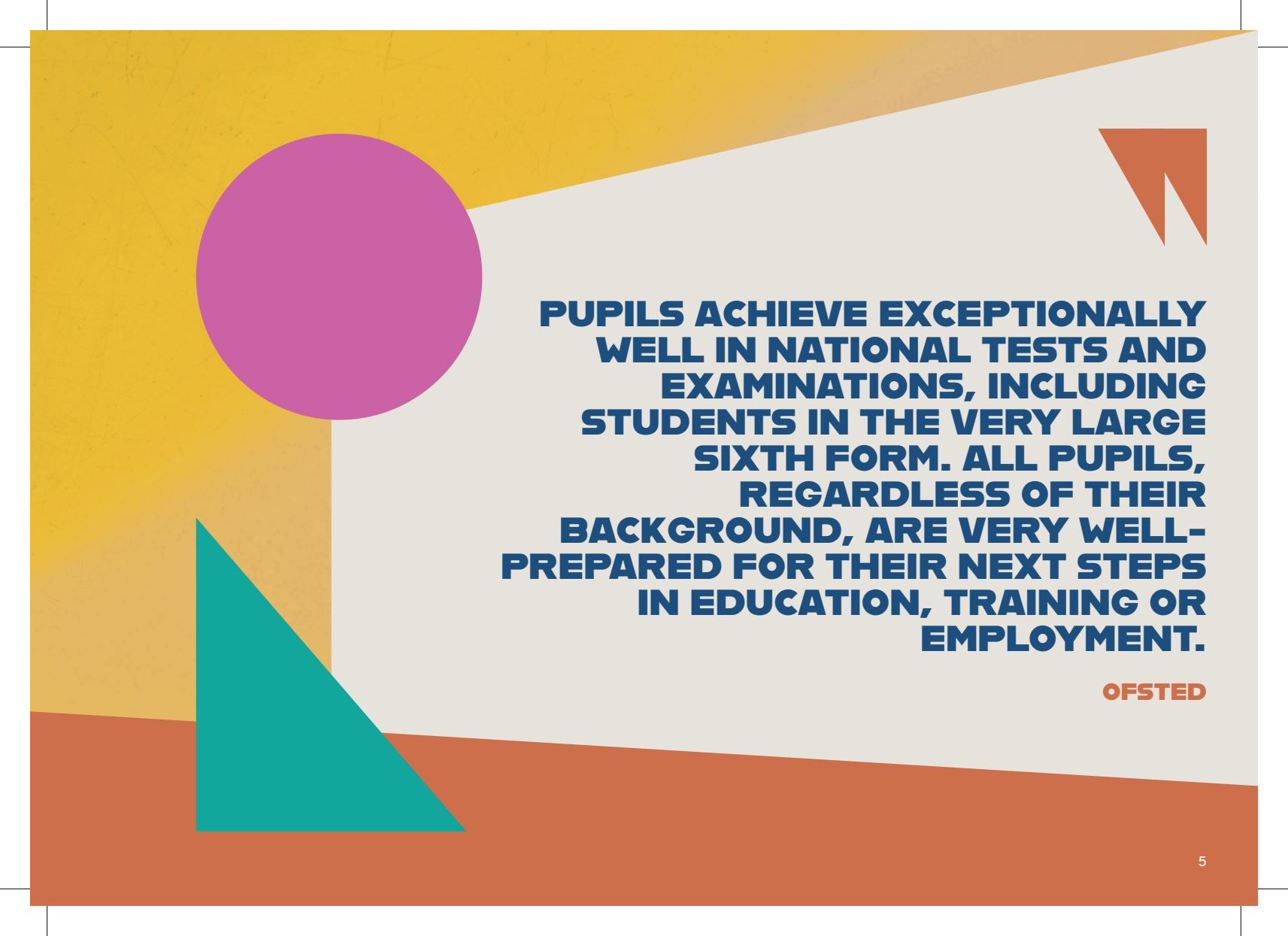
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to information, photographs and more.





**PUPILS ACHIEVE EXCEPTIONALLY
WELL IN NATIONAL TESTS AND
EXAMINATIONS, INCLUDING
STUDENTS IN THE VERY LARGE
SIXTH FORM. ALL PUPILS,
REGARDLESS OF THEIR
BACKGROUND, ARE VERY WELL-
PREPARED FOR THEIR NEXT STEPS
IN EDUCATION, TRAINING OR
EMPLOYMENT.**

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OUTSTANDING

REPUTATION AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Whitley Bay High Sixth Form has an excellent
reputation regionally and nationally for:



EXCEPTIONAL

Advice, Guidance and Care



EXCEPTIONAL

Teaching



EXCEPTIONAL

Progression
To university,
apprenticeships
or employment

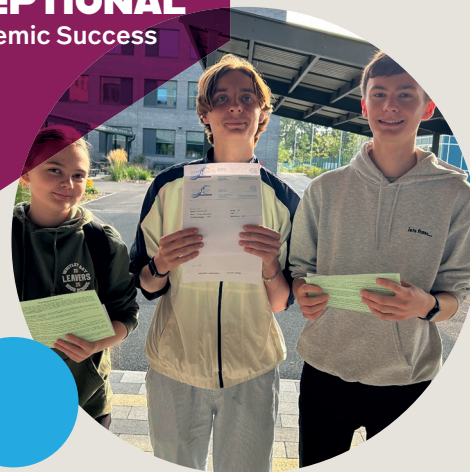


EXCEPTIONAL

Retention
Students who join courses
complete them

EXCEPTIONAL

Academic Success





**YEAR AFTER
YEAR, WE ARE A
TOP PERFORMING
POST-16 PROVIDER
BOTH LOCALLY AND
NATIONALLY.
STUDENTS OF
ALL ABILITIES
MAKE EXCELLENT
PROGRESS.**

99%

PASS RATE
in all subjects

83%

A* - C

60%

A* - B



32%
A* - A

**Our relatively low entry requirements make
these results all the more impressive**

Based on summer 2025 entries



**This year we
submitted**

21

**applications to Oxbridge,
Medicine and Veterinary
Science including 16 to
Oxford or Cambridge.**

OUR COURSES





You can choose from a wide range of A Level and equivalent courses.

Teaching is outstanding at Whitley Bay High Sixth Form and teachers devote a huge amount of time to making their lessons engaging and enjoyable. This is another reason why students enjoy the learning experience in the Sixth Form.

It is important to point out that the courses we offer are in some cases very different from the same subject at GCSE. You will need to look at the subject content information provided by the departments on the website under the 'prospectus' section, very carefully to check that the course is what you expect.

SUBJECTS		SUBJECT CODE
Art & Design: Fine Art		AQA 7202 (A Level only - no AS option)
Art & Design: Textile Design.		AQA 7204 (A Level only - no AS option)
Biology		AQA 7401/7402
Business		AQA 7137/7138
Chemistry		AQA 7404/7405
Computer Science		AQA 7517D - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Core Maths (Level 3 Mathematics Studies - AS only)		AQA 1350
Design & Technology: Design Engineering		OCR H404 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Drama & Theatre		Pearson Edexcel gDRo - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Economics		AQA 7135/7136
English Language		AQA 7702 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
English Language & Literature		AQA 7707 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
English Literature		AQA 7717 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Environmental Science		AQA 7447
Extended Project Qualification (Level 3 Project)		AQA 7993
Food Science & Nutrition (Single Award Level 3)*		WJEC Diploma 4563QD (Equivalent to 1 A Level)
French		AQA 7651/7652
Further Mathematics		Pearson Edexcel 8FMoK/gFMoK
Geography		AQA 7037 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
German		AQA 7661/7662
Health and Social Care		Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification Cambridge Advanced National in 'Health and Social Care'. Extended Certificate (Equivalent to 1 A Level)

	Social Care'. Extended Certificate (Equivalent to 1 A Level)
History	OCR H505 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Information Technology AAQ	Pearson Level 3 Alternative Qualification BTEC National in Information Technology Extended Certificate. (Equivalent to 1 A Level)
Mathematics	Pearson Edexcel 8MA0/gMA0
Media Studies	OCR H409 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Music	AQA 7272 (A Level only - No AS option)
Philosophy	AQA 7172 (A Level only - no AS option)
Physical Education	Subject code - OCR H555 - (A Level only - No AS Option Available)
Physics	AQA 7407/7408
Psychology	AQA 7181/7182
Spanish	AQA 7691/7692
Sports Studies (Single Award Level 3)*	Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate OCR 05827 (Equivalent to 1 A Level)

SUBJECTS AND COURSE CODES

Reform of non-A'level courses

The previous government proposed changes to some post-16 qualifications. These are marked * in the list and are:

Food Science and Nutrition;
Sport Studies.

These courses are likely to follow similar changes to some subjects, including being renamed as Alternative Academic Qualifications (AAQs).

The government is due to release updates about further reforms to Post-16 education this term. We will keep students and parent/carers updated.



KEIR MCFARLANE, YEAR 12

I stayed on to 6th Form as it offered everything I wanted to do, and I'd really enjoyed the previous three years here.

Leading up to my GCSEs I really enjoyed the structure of revision, even the subjects I wasn't keen on. I particularly enjoyed revising History, which is why I decided to take it at A level. I really felt prepared going into my GCSE exams and hope this will be the case for my A Levels.

I'm enjoying Year 12 so far, it is great that you get to focus on your favourite subjects. I also enjoy the fact I can get lots of work done during study periods.

For enrichment I am doing an EPQ, and I am just deciding on a title, possibly 'The History of Denim' or maybe something relating to how the arts have impacted on politics and society over time.

In my spare time I love to play and write music, I also take part in Act 2 Cam, and I am completing a BFI course where we meet up every Sunday, and we will create a film.

For anyone new joining WBH Sixth Form I think it is important to talk to people. In your lessons you have all chosen to do that subject, so you all have similar interests. I think it is important to get a dialogue going and you will soon settle in class.

**STUDYING
ENGLISH
LITERATURE,
HISTORY &
PHILOSOPHY**



**WE'LL
SUPPORT YOU
ALL THE WAY!**

CONTINUOUS ACADEMIC SUPPORT

As part of our continuous help for students, every subject provides additional support sessions each week to allow students to discuss the content covered in lessons or to get further help with any material they found difficult. Students (and parents) also receive regular Progress Reports to help set targets and work with teachers to fulfil their potential.

**ART,
PSYCHOLOGY,
ENGLISH
LITERATURE**



HOLLY BRUNT, YEAR 13

Although I thought college would feel more independent and a bigger step up from GCSEs, I decided I would get more support and a better routine from WBH Sixth Form.

I thought it wouldn't feel any different staying on and being a Sixth Former, but it does feel vastly different. I do feel more independent, and I am treated more like an adult. I am very pleased I made the decision to stay on at WBH Sixth Form.

I am studying Art, Psychology and English Literature and would like to get into Art Therapy in the future. For Enrichment I will be doing In-class Support. I hope this will link into my future plans of wanting to help people. I'm also part of the Staff and Sixth Form Reading Group. English Literature is something I am passionate about.

Outside of school I do ballet and I also coach. I am also in my 7th year at The People's Theatre dancing in the pantomime at Christmas.

The fact I am doing subjects that I love means that it doesn't feel like work. I know I am working towards my future, and this makes me more motivated. There are lots of spaces to work in while you are studying whether that be the library, Sixth Form centre or one of my favourite places an Art Room, I find these very creative spaces to work.

Sixth Form offers you a lot of independence and one to one support. My advice would be not to hold back and ask questions.



The EPQ requires 90 hours of independent study research.



The EPQ is judged not just on the final project produced, but on the entire process you have undergone.

HOW MANY COURSES & WHAT IS THE EPQ?

With AS qualifications reduced in value and all courses designed to be assessed after two years, we advise all students to take 3 subjects. However, if you have a strong GCSE profile, including two grade 6s (one of which should be in English Literature or Language) you should consider taking the EPQ alongside your main subjects. This will broaden your curriculum by studying another area of interest or allowing you to specialise in a topic beyond the specification.

The EPQ is the Extended Project Qualification. You choose the topic and title and undertake independent research to answer your question. A supervisor will guide you through the process and the independent, academic study skills required. The project can take any form and is worth 50% of an A Level or Level 3 qualification.

**A fourth course is permitted.
Please discuss this in your guidance meetings.**

WHO CAN JOIN THE SIXTH FORM?

Subject to numbers, anyone is welcome to join our Sixth Form, provided they meet our entry criteria and an A Level or equivalent programme is the most appropriate course.

Whether you are joining us from Year 11 at Whitley Bay High or coming from another school, we want to make sure you get all the advice you need. We want to ensure the course you choose is at the right level, will take you in the direction you want to go and that you will be able to manage its demands.

We will help you with these decisions.





ENTRY CRITERIA

Students must have a supportive reference from their current Head of Year which suggests they can meet the demands of an A Level or equivalent course.

Students must achieve a minimum of five 4-9 (or equivalent) grade passes in separate subjects* at GCSE level to start an advanced course. All subjects have specific entry requirements that students must achieve to start that course. (See the Appendix on page 48 of this Prospectus).

(*Some GCSE and BTEC courses, e.g. ICT, Media, Health & Social Care, Business Communications, Engineering etc., will be classed as one subject, even if they are equivalent to more than one GCSE grade. Both English subjects and Double/Triple Science will continue to be classed as separate subjects.)



This is my fourth year in the UK, I moved here from Hong Kong and really feel that the education system is much better here.

I decided WBH Sixth Form was right for me as they had all the courses on offer that I wanted to study and my current high school didn't. I also know that the A Level results are very good which was another reason for moving.

I knew that the transition from GCSE to A Level would be hard as it would be more intense, but I have settled really quickly, and I am enjoying learning all the new content. Seating plans have also helped and are a quick way to get to know everyone in your class so that you feel comfortable with everyone.

I have chosen to study Biology, Chemistry and Maths as I hope to get into veterinary medicine. Ideally, I would love to go to Edinburgh University Vet School, which is currently the best vet school in the UK. I will be going through WBH Sixth Form early entry programme to hopefully get a place.

For enrichment I am trying to secure a work placement that links to becoming a vet, ideally at a farm or slaughterhouse. I have previously had a placement in a vets and think it is important to put myself in a more uncomfortable place, such as a slaughterhouse to gain a full spectrum of experience.

I am also enjoying playing badminton at break and lunchtimes, it is a nice break from my studies and a great way to socialise with friends and meet new people.

I am looking forward to the Biology residential fieldwork trip to Windermere in the summer.

ISSAC WONG , YEAR 12

**STUDYING
BIOLOGY,
CHEMISTRY
& MATHS**



EXCITING ENRICHMENT BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

A high quality Sixth Form should provide students with lots of opportunities beyond the classroom.

Our Enrichment programme is unrivalled in the North East. There are accredited courses that attain UCAS (University admission) points; nationally recognised certificates; a range of theoretical and practical courses; options that are good for the environment, the local community and good for students' health and well-being. Enrichment is timetabled, like lessons, and is enjoyable, develops new skills and allows students to improve their CV when applying for jobs, or personal statement when applying for university.

OUR
ENRICHMENT
PROGRAMME
INCLUDES:

Politics

Psychology
and
Criminology

Higher Sports
Leaders Award





Reading Ambassadors



Outdoor
Pursuits and
Survival Skills



Certificate in
Financial Studies



In-Class Support



Think Law -
Career Ready

Debate and
Current Affairs



Think
Engineering -
Career Ready



Spanish

Anatomy and Physiology

EPQ



Acrylic Painting



Music Theory
Exams

British Sign
Language

HIIT Fitness Class



Staff / 6th Form Reading Group

Choir

Film Club

Jazz Band



Orchestra

FFF - Fun Football Friday

Girls Football
and Rugby

Soloist of the Year

Multiple
Sports Teams

Spanish
Conversation

University
Challenge



Drama
Productions

Art Club

Bar Mock Trial

**OTHER WAYS TO
GET INVOLVED**

Creative Writing
Group



The
History Society

Senior Maths
Challenge

**VALLEYBALL
ENGLAND**



YOUR COMMUNITY | YOUR FUTURE | YOURSELF

“Team Impact” supplements our enrichment programme by providing regular, shorter opportunities for students to contribute to the school and community.

Whole School
Ambassadors

Football
Coaching

Y9
Enterprise
Day
Support

MFL
Language
Assistant

Advent
Calendar
Creator

Maths
Tuition
Role

Sporting Director

Reading Leaders

Sixth Form Mentor

Research
Project of
the Week



**VOLUNTEER FOR
OPPORTUNITIES
WITHIN OUR WIDER
SCHOOL COMMUNITY.
ENHANCE YOUR FUTURE
APPLICATIONS, CAREER
PROSPECTS AND
EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS.**

We appreciate the important value of relevant work experience to help students secure places on degree courses and employment.

All Year 12 students are supported in finding at least one relevant week-long work experience placement. Students often find this one of the most important factors in helping them decide what they want to do in the future.

The Sixth Form Office Team co-ordinate work experience and support students through the whole process and help students secure relevant work experience opportunities.

Students have spent successful weeks:

- in TV production at the Discovery Channel in London
 - as a journalist with Metro Radio
 - in design at Berghaus
 - as an astronomy assistant at the Kielder Observatory
 - in speech and language therapy at a local hospital
 - as an engineer at British Engines Ltd
 - in law at a local solicitors
 - at a barrister's chambers in London
 - in hospitals for those students considering medical careers
 - as teaching assistants in local schools
- and many others





**THE SIXTH
FORM PROVIDES
STUDENTS WITH A
FULL PROGRAMME
OF PERSONAL
DEVELOPMENT,
INCLUDING
EXPERIENCE OF THE
WORLD OF WORK.**

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**STUDYING
DOUBLE HEALTH
& SOCIAL
& SPORTS
STUDIES**



BROOKE HERRON, YEAR 12

It was my Volleyball coach who suggested I come to WBH Sixth Form, so I attended their courses evening and a long with a couple of friends we decided we really wanted to come here. It hasn't taken me long to settle in and make new friends. It is a very comfortable setting and teachers make sure that you are happy. They also make sure that you are engaged and make the effort to speak to everyone in your class by doing group work and mixing us up. It feels like a very mature way to work.

I am taking Double Health and Social which has a huge variety of units and coursework. I am finding it really interesting. I also take Sports Studies where at the moment we do one practical a week which is playing table tennis and then the rest of the week is theory based looking at things like umpiring and coaching. I am also on the Volleyball Academy which will give me more UCAS points. Alongside these courses I am also resitting my Maths GCSE, which I have two hours of on my timetable. I hope to pass this in November.

I am enjoying spending time in the library and find this a useful space to go back over my lessons and do any homework prior to going home. I am also enjoying playing badminton a couple of times a week.

I think it is important to put yourself out of your comfort zone and make the effort to talk to new people. I have done this, and I have found everyone to be really lovely. Through this I have already made loads of new friends within the first few weeks.



**[THERE ARE] STRONG
AND SUPPORTIVE
RELATIONSHIPS AT ALL
LEVELS. STUDENTS
IN THE LARGE SIXTH
FORM ARE INFLUENTIAL
IN SUPPORTING THIS
ETHOS THROUGH THE
EXAMPLE THAT THEY
SET TO YOUNGER
PUPILS.**

OFSTED





SUPPORT IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE

We have a large Sixth Form Team to support students throughout their time with us.

Students benefit from excellent advice, guidance and support, not only from their tutor, who they see every day, but also from members of the large, specialist Sixth Form Team, Careers Manager and fully qualified counsellor. We have a continuous open door policy so that students can talk to a member of the Sixth Form Team at any time – we do not want any student to leave at the end of the day with a problem.

**HELP IS
ALWAYS
AVAILABLE**



I would love to work in Marine Biology in the future, hence I have chosen subjects to help me on that path.

I decided to stay on to WBH Sixth Form after my GCSEs as I feel I have built up good relationships with the staff here. I find many of my teachers have a great sense of humour and I think this is an important quality to have as a teacher. It also made sense to stay on as I live close and many friends were also staying on.

I had always looked up to the Sixth Form when I was in lower school and wondered what it would be like to only study the subjects you love and to be able to wear whatever you want!

There is nothing I dislike learning now as I have picked the subjects I enjoy the most. I also feel more relaxed and love the fact I can do homework during a study period.

For Enrichment I have chosen to do Outdoor/Survival Skills and as part of Team Impact I am doing Set Design for the school show – Into The Woods. I have been part of the Tech Team since Year 10 and as one of the oldest on the team I now help train the lower school members. The club has recently grown to twice a week due to its popularity.

I am looking forward to the Biology Fieldtrip next year. We will be going to the Lake District to do sampling as well as getting the opportunity to Kayak and Paddle Board.

I am really enjoying Sixth Form so far and think there is lots to look forward to.

OLLIE CLARKE, YEAR 13

**STUDYING
BIOLOGY,
ENVIRONMENTAL
SCIENCE,
DESIGN
ENGINEERING**



STUDENT FACILITIES





WE LOVE OUR [NEARLY] NEW BUILDING!

The school has been thoughtfully designed with Sixth Form at the centre as a highly visible and aspirational space. In the Sixth Form Study Area there are enhanced facilities which prioritise access to ICT, with areas designed for both group work and independent study. In our lecture theatre students experience presentations from subject specialists and guest speakers. A Sixth Form café is also available to students to access refreshments throughout the day.

THERE'S ALWAYS A PLACE TO STUDY

Sixth Form students also make full use of our large modern library which provides further access to ICT and is equipped with new multimedia resources and a constantly growing book stock. Important journals such as Physics Review, Economics Review and emagazine (the journal of English Language and Literature), are available here.

However, the most important resource within the library is the library staff, who go out of their way to support students with their work including helping students find sources and material for their studies. There is a specialised introduction to the library for all Sixth Form students during one of the induction sessions to help students make the most of this excellent facility.

In both the study room and library there is always a lovely atmosphere as students relax and carry out independent study in these informal settings.

I was undecided whether to leave my current high school right up until the very last minute on results day. But I was drawn to Whitley Bay High Sixth Form due to how pretty the building was and how happy it made me feel. The teachers are really passionate about their subjects and very supportive, especially during the first few weeks when I was trying to find my way. I also find it really civilised, it feels much more grown up. All the students are friendly and cool, it is a very relaxed atmosphere.

There are so many events and clubs to get involved in, I receive so many emails letting me know what is going on each day. So far, I have joined Medic Club which is ran by a Sixth Form student and is really fun. I am also part of Team Kenya where there is a mix of lower school and Sixth Form. We are brainstorming ideas on how to raise money for the charity and have come up with some great ideas. I also plan to join Pride Club and The Staff and Sixth Form Reading Group. All of these are great ways to meet like-minded people.

For enrichment I hope to get a place on the Northumberland Volunteering Charity who help in local hospitals either on the food trolleys, shop, or just generally going round to brighten the day of the patients. This will be great experience for me as I would like to get into Dentistry. I am studying Biology, Chemistry and Maths and hope to get into Newcastle University to study Dentistry after Year 13.

KEIRA NIGHTINGALE , YEAR 12

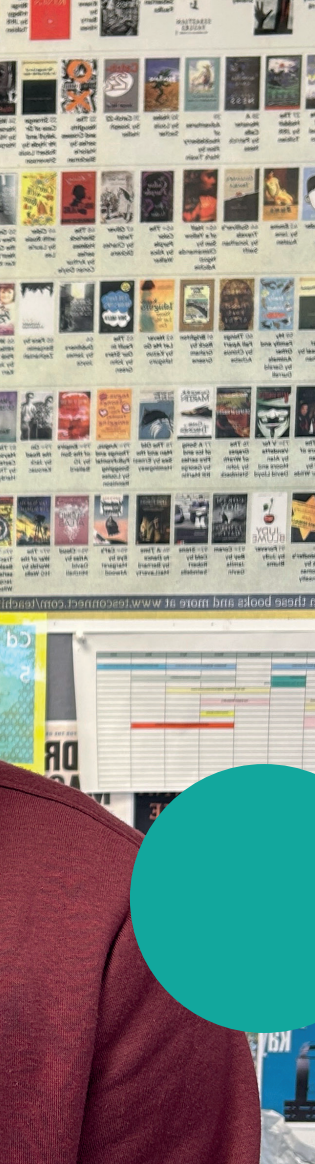
**STUDYING
BIOLOGY,
CHEMISTRY
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**SAVINDU JOINED
WHITLEY BAY HIGH
SIXTH FORM FROM
SRI LANKA AND IS
STUDYING MATHS,
PHYSICS AND
COMPUTER SCIENCE.**





JOINING FROM ANOTHER SCHOOL? IT'S PROBLEM-FREE!

I moved from Sri Lanka only a few months ago and so my first time viewing WBH Sixth Form was on Induction Day. It felt big from what I was used to and a little intimidating. I felt I was very different from everyone else having come from so far away, but I quickly realised how kind everyone was around me and welcoming.

It hasn't taken me long to settle. Being part of Sixth Form Extra-Curricular Clubs has really helped me to make friends. I have joined Volleyball Club, and I am also on a team for FFF (Fun Football Fridays). I also help once a week tutoring lower school students in Maths, which I am finding rewarding, this is part of the Team Impact initiative.

I have chosen to study Maths, Physics and Computer Science as I have the ambition of becoming a Software Engineer and have my own start up business, owning and running a company like Ebay. I would love to work in Silicon Valley, but first I would like to spend more time in the UK studying and working.

For Enrichment I am hoping to do an EPQ which will involve designing and making an AI robot which can be used to analyse data.

I am finding the teachers to be really kind. It is a pleasure to be taught by them. They know their subject and make lessons fun.

There are a huge number of facilities at WBH, especially the variety of sporting facilities. I would highly recommend this Sixth Form to someone joining from outside of Whitley Bay.

Savindu Hettiarachchi Gamage



**STUDENTS IN
THE SIXTH FORM
ARE INTEGRAL
TO THE CULTURE
OF THE SCHOOL.
THEY PROVIDE
LEADERSHIP IN
MANY ASPECTS OF
SCHOOL LIFE.**

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**DON'T
MISS
THIS!**

HOW TO ENROL

Sixth Form Courses Evening

**COME TO OUR
SIXTH FORM
COURSES
EVENING ON**

**TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER
5PM-7PM**

to find out about the Sixth Form and the subjects you want to take.

If you are currently at Whitley Bay High you will receive support from us to help you think about all your Post 16 options.

If you are joining Whitley Bay High Sixth Form from another school the first thing to do is contact us by filling in the online form - Go to our website and then "Sixth form" then "Express an Interest in Joining" or phone our Sixth Form Administrators Sarah or Jaq on 0191 7317070 in order to be added to our mailing list.

Once you have completed an application you will have a guidance meeting or call with one of the Sixth Form Team.

@whitleybayhigh to keep up to date!

**STUDYING
COMPUTER
SCIENCE,
DRAMA,
ENGLISH
LITERATURE,
AND MATHS**



NICO BLYTH POBLET , YEAR 12

I was here in lower school and it was an easy decision to stay on for Sixth Form because I have loved my time here. My GCSE courses were all great and I really liked my teachers.

I have chosen to do four subjects at A Level to keep my options open in the future, but I know if they do become too much, I can drop one. I love Drama and hope to maybe do more drama in the future, possibly at university. I have also chosen English Literature. I enjoyed the analysis side at GCSE and my teachers were so inspiring that I felt compelled to take it at A Level. I have also taken Computer Science as I find anything tech related really clicks with my brain. Finally, I chose Maths as I love the logical side, it is either right or wrong.

For enrichment I am doing Music Theory. I am involved in a number of extra-curricular clubs, including Choir, School Production, Musicals Club and I have singing lessons.

I am not sure of my future beyond Sixth Form, I know Drama School is hard to get into. Law is another option or something computer science related. I think studying Drama will set me up well for the future and complement lots of career options with elements such as presenting and speaking in public.

I think it is important to pick subjects you are passionate about, rather than just good at. Don't be afraid to be yourself and express yourself. Sixth Form is a good place to reinvent yourself and start afresh. I would advise anyone to take all the opportunities that you can.

THE POST 16 BURSARY

Students who are entering Post 16 education at any institution may be eligible for the Post 16 Bursary which is funded by the government. Its purpose is to help those students who need support in meeting the costs of Post 16 education.

You will qualify for funding if you are any of the following

- In care
- A care leaver
- In a family in receipt of income support
- A student with learning difficulties or disabilities in receipt of both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Allowance.

If so you will qualify for £1,200* per year from the scheme

OR

- Eligible for Free School Meals
- In a family in receipt of Working Tax Credit and with a gross household income of £35,000 or less
- A young person aged 16-18 looking after a sick or disabled relative
- In a family with a gross household income below £35,000

If so you will be eligible to receive up to £700* per year from the scheme.

In addition, any funding that is left will be used as a Hardship Fund for learners experiencing severe financial hardship. If you have any questions about this Bursary please do not hesitate to contact the Sixth Form Team.

*These figure were correct at time of going to print.

WHEN WBH STUDENT SIMEON SAYER WAS WORKING WITH THE SIXTH FORM TEAM TO CHOOSE UNIVERSITIES TO APPLY TO FOR A DEGREE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, HE NOTICED THAT THE TOP PLACES WERE IN THE USA AND SO DECIDED TO APPLY TO THE HIGHLY PRESTIGIOUS HARVARD UNIVERSITY. HERE HE REFLECTS ON THE PROCESS AND THE SUPPORT HE RECEIVED FROM WBH SIXTH FORM TEAM IN REALISING HIS DREAM.



THE AMERICAN DREAM - SIMEON SAYER

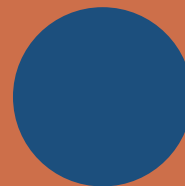
“The American University application system is very different from that in the UK. I needed to complete a number of different SAT tests to apply but luckily my hard work paid off and I received exceptional grades. I found out six days before my very first A Level that I had been offered an unconditional place. Because I found out so close to my exams I had to quickly put this to the back of my mind so that I could focus on my upcoming A Levels and aim to gain the best possible results I could! Thanks to the help from all my teachers, I was able to get great grades that really set me up for the adventure ahead of me.

I will be staying in Harvard's accommodation, which is specifically set up for first year students and has a similar arrangement to Oxford and Cambridge. At Harvard you do not apply to a specific course and you are able to tailor courses to suit your interests so you can even dictate your own degree title!

I know that I'll be studying within the computer science area. I love the idea that this area of work is constantly evolving and I like the prospect of being at the cutting edge of research which I know I will be exposed to at Harvard.

WBHS Sixth Form team have been very supportive during this process. There was a lot of form filling in, reference writing and time needed for my application. I really believe that school is there to support you through your options after A Levels.

I would recommend others to think wider than the UK as anything is possible, and WBHS sixth form offers the support to help you. The school supported me to be aspirational and helped me to expand my horizons, something I definitely feel I've been able to achieve.”



PARENTS' COMMENTS



My daughter benefits hugely from the positive relationships teachers take the time to forge.

Extra-curricular opportunities and enrichment opportunities are seemingly endless, with something for everyone.

The Sixth Form has provided the opportunities for my two boys to reach their potential. WBH has been a major influence in moulding them into young adults that I can be proud of.

Thank you for all the great care and dedication you have given to welcoming your new Y12 students. My daughter joined the sixth form from another school in September. My daughter has come home smiling and enthusiastic every day. She has described her teachers as 'wonderful' and has clearly been greatly inspired by her lessons in Chemistry, Biology, Maths, and Further Maths.



The Sixth Form's positivity is reflected not only in my son's schoolwork but also in his confidence.

My children have all thrived in the Sixth Form. It has helped them achieve high grades at A-level and have a choice of University.

The advice and guidance helps students to manage workload and they are really treated as adults in this respect.

Subject Specific Entry Requirements

Courses currently on offer

Art & Design: Fine Art

Art: grade 5

English language or literature: grade 5

Art & Design: Textile Design

Art: grade 5

English language or literature: grade 5

Biology

Double award science: grades 66

Maths: grade 6

English language or literature: grade 5

OR

Triple award science: biology grade 6 and one other grade 6

Maths: grade 6

English language or literature: grade 5

ICT Level 3

English language or literature: grade 4

Business

Business studies: grade 5

Maths: grade 5

English language or literature: grade 5

Chemistry

Double award science: grades 66

Maths: grade 6

OR

Triple award science: chemistry grade 6 and one other grade 6

Maths: grade 6



Computer Science

Computer science: grade 6

Science: grades 66

Maths: grade 7

Design Engineering

Maths 5

Science 55

Drama & Theatre Studies

Drama (if studied): grade 5

English language or literature: grade 5

Economics

Maths: grade 6

English language or literature: grade 6

English Language

English language: grade 6

English literature: grade 6

English Literature

English language: grade 6

English literature: grade 6

English Language & Literature

English 55

Environmental Science

Science: grades 65

Maths: grade 5

Food Science & Nutrition Level 3

Food: Grade 5

OR

Food Tech not studied: grade 45 in English and Science

Must be able to demonstrate confidence in handling and preparing food.

French

French: grade 6

Further Mathematics

Maths: grade 8

Geography

Geography: grade 5

English language or literature: grade 5

German

German: grade 6

Health & Social Care Level 3

Health and social care: distinction

OR

English language or literature: grade 4

Science: grade 44

History

History: grade 6 (if studied)

English literature OR English language: grade 5

OR (history not studied)

English language or literature: grade 6

Mathematics

Maths: grade 7

Media Studies

English 55

OR

English 45

Art: grade 6

Music

Music: grade 5

ABRSM/LCM/Trinity or RockschooL: grade 5

Philosophy

RE/philosophy: grade 6 (if studied)

OR (RE/philosophy not studied)

English 66

Physical Education

PE: grade 5

Science 45

English 45

Participation to at least a high club standard and be training/competing on a regular basis.

Physics

Double award science: grades 66

Maths: grade 6

OR

Triple award science: physics grade 6 and one other grade 6

Maths: grade 6

Psychology

Science: 55

English language or literature: grade 5

Maths: grade 5

Spanish

Spanish: grade 6

Sport Studies Level 3

PE/Sports Studies: grade 4/merit (if studied)

English: 44

Science 44

OR (PE/Sport not studied)

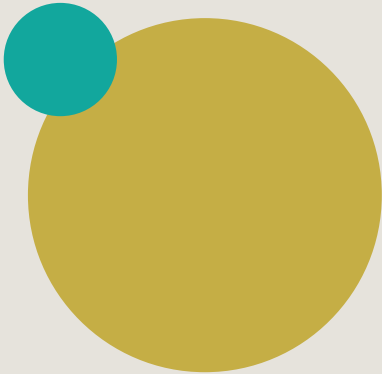
English: 44

Science 45



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