



Pride Respect Aspiration

Sixth Form Prospectus

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Welcome

At Gospel Oak Sixth Form, we are committed to providing a positive and inclusive environment where every student is supported to achieve their full potential. Whether your aspirations are to progress to university, a higher apprenticeship, or employment, we provide the guidance, challenge and encouragement to help you succeed.

Our Sixth Form is built on the values of Respect, Aspiration and Pride. We encourage every student to embrace the increased independence that post-16 education brings, take responsibility for their learning, demonstrate resilience, and contribute positively to our school community.

Alongside high-quality teaching, students benefit from personalised pastoral support, enrichment opportunities, leadership experiences and expert careers guidance, ensuring they are well prepared for life beyond Sixth Form.

We have high expectations of all our students and encourage them to:



Demonstrate excellent attendance and punctuality.



Take ownership of their learning and strive for academic excellence.



Show respect, integrity and kindness in all aspects of school life.



Engage fully in enrichment, leadership and wider opportunities.



Act as positive role models and ambassadors for the Sixth Form and wider school community.

Many of our students progress to leading universities, degree apprenticeships and rewarding careers. We are proud of the supportive relationships we build with our students, helping them to develop the confidence, independence and skills needed to flourish in higher education and the workplace. I hope this prospectus provides an insight into the exceptional opportunities available at Gospel Oak Sixth Form. We warmly invite you to visit us, meet our dedicated staff and current students, and see how we can support you in achieving your ambitions and shaping your future.



Head of School - Miss Bott

Sixth Form Welcome

Welcome to Gospel Oak School Sixth Form. We are proud to lead a Sixth Form team who work hard to fulfil both academic potential and prepare you for life after Sixth Form.

Gospel Oak School Sixth Form is a special part of our school. It is focused on providing the highest quality of teaching and learning and extra-curricular opportunities for our students. The two-year journey here will enrich and shape your future. Our curriculum offer includes a breadth of subjects and is designed to support you with your next steps towards a future career.

We are a growing Sixth Form that boasts smaller student to teacher ratios than other providers, alongside excellent pastoral care. You will have daily contact with your form tutor and Achievement Leader and additional support from the Director of Post 16.

We are also fortunate to have a strong careers team who are dedicated in providing support and guidance around post-18 options. They provide experiences to engage and prepare students with university study and apprenticeships. We have a dedicated, highly qualified, Careers Leader and work closely with Wolverhampton University and their Aspire to Higher Education Partnership to give our students a variety of Higher Education experiences.

During your time here, you will develop essential skills through independent study, enrichment opportunities and developing interpersonal skills, shaping resilient and determined individuals who thrive in an internationally competitive world. The Sixth Form is a real asset to our ever-growing school.

Mr Bala

Director of Post 16







Dedicated Sixth Form Facilities

Our dedicated Sixth Form area provides space for independent study, collaboration and social time, alongside access to specialist facilities and resources.



Small Class Sizes

Smaller class sizes allow for more personalised teaching, individual feedback and targeted support.



Excellent Pastoral Support

Students have daily contact with their form tutor, supported by their Achievement Leader and Director of Post-16, ensuring they are known and supported throughout their journey.



Careers & Industry Links

Work experience, university visits, guest speakers, careers events and employer links help students prepare confidently for their next steps.



A Supportive Community

Students value the familiar, inclusive community at Gospel Oak, while enjoying the greater independence that comes with Sixth Form.



Courses to Suit You

Our broad range of A Level and vocational courses enables students to choose a pathway suited to their interests, strengths and future ambitions.

Why Gospel Oak?



30 MINS
PER DAY
IN FORM TUTOR



5 HOURS
PER WEEK
PER SUBJECT IN LESSONS



1 HOUR
PER FORTNIGHT
IN A PSHE LESSON



1 HOUR
PER WEEK
IN ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY



Our Values

We are passionate about social justice and the right to an excellent education regardless of social background, ability, or any other potential barrier that may impede learning. Our values are:

Respect

We respect ourselves, each other, and our environment.

Aspiration

We aspire to be the best we can be.

Pride

We take pride in our hard work, community, and achievements.



What our Students Say



“Staff are always there when we need support, they are attentive and encouraging.”

“There have been numerous opportunities for personal improvements to allow me to grow as a person and academically.”

“I love being part of a high reaching and open community.”

“Gospel Oak has given me a wide range of enrichment opportunities.”

“This is an environment where students can flourish with a broad view of the post 18 journey.”



SUBJECTS WE OFFER

LEARN
BELONG
ACHIEVE
TOGETHER



Art & Design



Biology



Business Studies



Chemistry



Criminology



Design & Technology



English Literature



Geography



Religious Studies



Health & Social Care



History



Law



Mathematics



Physics



Psychology



Sociology



Physical Education

Art and Design

If you are creative and enjoy developing your own ideas, Art & Design gives you the opportunity to explore a wide range of materials, techniques and processes. You will investigate the work of artists and designers, experiment with ideas and develop a personal portfolio of work.

The course builds creativity, independence and problem-solving skills and is excellent preparation for degrees and careers in fine art, architecture, photography, fashion, graphic design and the wider creative industries.

Biology

Biology explores the science of living organisms, from cells and genetics to ecosystems and evolution. You will develop your understanding through theory, practical investigations and the analysis of scientific evidence.

The course develops analytical, practical and problem-solving skills and is excellent preparation for university study and careers in medicine, healthcare, veterinary science, environmental science, research and biotechnology.

Business Studies

Business gives you an insight into how organisations operate, compete and make important decisions. You will explore areas including marketing, finance, operations, human resources and business strategy, applying your knowledge to real organisations and current business issues.

The course develops analytical, decision-making and problem-solving skills and provides excellent preparation for degrees and careers in business, management, finance, marketing, entrepreneurship and human resources.



Chemistry

Chemistry explores the substances that make up the world around us and how they interact. You will study areas including atomic structure, bonding, organic chemistry, energetics and chemical reactions, supported by practical laboratory work.

The course develops strong analytical, mathematical and practical skills and is excellent preparation for degrees and careers in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, chemical engineering, forensic science and scientific research.



Criminology

Criminology explores crime, criminal behaviour and how society responds to offending. You will investigate different types of crime, theories of criminality, crime prevention and the processes used within the criminal justice system.

The course develops research, analytical and evaluative skills and is particularly valuable for students interested in careers in policing, law, probation, social work, criminology and the wider criminal justice sector.



English Literature

If you enjoy reading, discussing big ideas and exploring deeper meanings in texts, English Literature allows you to study a diverse range of poetry, prose and drama. You will explore themes such as society, identity, relationships and power while developing confident analytical and critical thinking skills.

English Literature is highly regarded by universities and provides excellent preparation for careers including law, journalism, teaching, publishing, media and marketing.



Geography

Geography explores some of the most important challenges facing our world today. You will study both physical and human geography, including changing places, global systems, environmental processes and contemporary geographical issues.

Through fieldwork and independent investigation, you will develop research, analytical and data-handling skills. Geography provides excellent preparation for careers in environmental management, sustainability, planning, business and international development.



Health and Social Care

Health & Social Care explores how individuals develop throughout their lives and how health and care services support people with different needs. You will examine topics including human development, health and wellbeing, professional practice and the delivery of effective care.

The course is particularly suited to students considering careers in nursing, midwifery, social work, teaching, healthcare and other health and social care professions.



History

History gives you the opportunity to investigate significant periods, events and individuals while exploring how and why societies change over time. You will analyse historical evidence, consider different interpretations and develop well-supported arguments.

The course develops research, analytical and communication skills and is excellent preparation for degrees and careers in law, journalism, politics, education, heritage and the civil service.



Sociology

Sociology explores how society works and the issues that shape our lives. You will study topics including families, education, crime, inequality, social change, media and culture.

The course develops critical thinking, research and analytical skills and provides excellent preparation for careers in law, social work, education, politics, media and public services.



Law

Law introduces you to the principles and processes that underpin the legal system. You will explore areas of law, examine real and hypothetical cases and learn how laws are created, interpreted and applied.

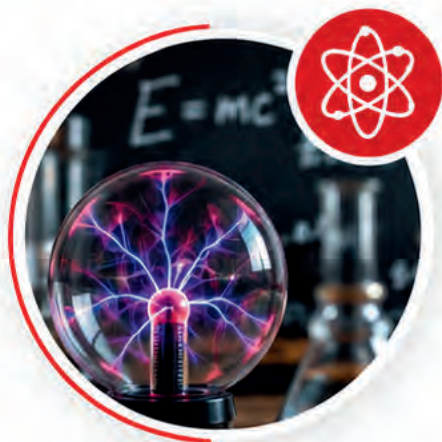
The course develops logical thinking, analysis and argument skills and provides excellent preparation for further study and careers in law, policing, politics, business, public services and the wider justice system.



Mathematics

Mathematics builds on your GCSE knowledge and develops a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts, reasoning and problem-solving. You will study areas including pure mathematics, statistics and mechanics and learn to apply mathematical techniques to increasingly complex problems.

A Level Mathematics is highly valued by universities and is excellent preparation for degrees and careers in mathematics, engineering, computing, economics, finance, science and technology.



Physics

Physics explores the fundamental principles that explain how the universe works, from forces, waves and electricity to particles and energy. You will combine theoretical understanding with mathematical problem-solving and practical investigation.

The course develops strong analytical and problem-solving skills and is excellent preparation for degrees and careers in physics, engineering, computing, technology, astronomy and scientific research.

Psychology

Psychology explores human behaviour and the processes that influence how we think, feel and act. You will examine different explanations of behaviour, psychological research and topics such as memory, relationships, mental health and social influence.

The course develops research, analytical and evaluative skills and provides excellent preparation for careers in psychology, healthcare, education, counselling, social work, research and human resources.



Religious Studies

Religious Studies gives you the opportunity to explore some of the biggest questions about life, morality and human existence. You will study philosophy, ethics and religious thought, considering different perspectives and developing your own reasoned arguments.

The course develops critical thinking, debate and analytical writing skills and is excellent preparation for degrees and careers in law, education, journalism, politics, healthcare and the public sector.



Physical Education

Physical Education is an exciting and challenging course for students who are passionate about sport, performance and understanding the science behind physical activity.

You will combine practical performance with theoretical study, exploring areas such as anatomy and physiology, biomechanics, sports psychology and the impact of sport on society.

This course is an excellent choice for students considering future study or careers in sport, teaching, coaching, physiotherapy, sports science, strength and conditioning or the wider health and fitness industry.



Preparing for the World of Work

Work Experience

All of our students take part in a week of work experience in Year 12. This is an excellent opportunity for them to experience the world of work and forge partnerships in desired career fields.

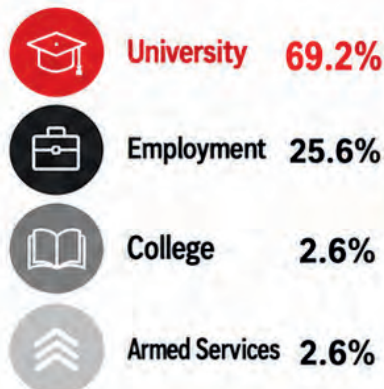
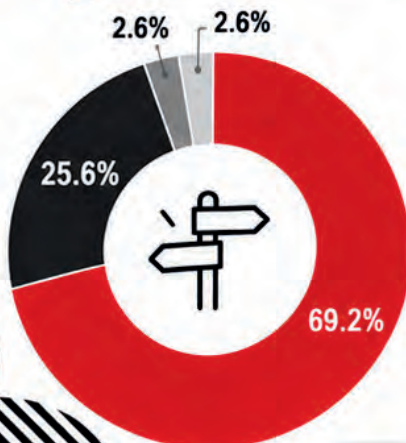
Careers

Alongside the pastoral support within Sixth Form, all students have access to an experienced Careers Lead who runs a bespoke programme for Sixth Form. We provide a weekly careers session in tutor time that exposes you to a range of opportunities and pathways. You are also guided through the UCAS application process if you wish to apply to university.

Throughout your time here there will be many careers experiences including careers fairs, university visits, guest speakers and drop down days.

Destinations

LAST YEAR



Enrichment

The enrichment programme within Sixth Form provides valuable skills to complement your academic study. Our enrichment offer is diverse, providing opportunities for students to grow their mindset, overcome challenges and support the wider community.

We offer accredited courses such as the Extended Professional Qualification (EPQ) and iDEA alongside work experience, volunteering and opportunities for students to train in counselling.

Our programme is incentivised by a rewards programme that allows students to progress from bronze to platinum levels and gain a range of rewards. Enrichment is important in the school and it is built into the curriculum to support development. Students are expected to complete their academic work but we would like students to take part in opportunities to develop them as citizens.



EPQ

The EPQ is an accredited course that gives students valuable UCAS points in their pursuit of going to a top university. The course entails you to complete a project on a topic of your choice and is designed to discover new interests.



Barclays Life Skills

Barclays Life Skills helps young people get the skills and experiences they need to enter the world of work.



iDea award

The inspiring Digital Enterprise Award, known as iDEA, is an international award-winning programme that helps you to develop digital, enterprise and employability skills.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY ACTION GROUPS

Our student leadership team continues to grow and we now provide opportunities for students to take up roles as: Head Students, Deputy Head Students and Prefects.

Lead Ambassadors

"It is a real honour and privilege to be Lead Ambassadors of Gospel Oak School. This school is an evolving school where we have the growth of the students as the main focus. We have all been at this school for 6 years and it has been a real joy and pleasure to be part of a school that relies heavily on the relationships it has with its students and the community we work with. We have all had positive experiences at school and this has continued into our journey in to Sixth Form. Sixth Form has allowed us to open our eyes to the wider world and different opportunities from University, Degree Apprenticeships and Apprenticeships. We are a big part of the school, and it is good to be part of programmes that support our younger learners such as reading buddies. Being Ambassadors, we are responsible for making the school a better place we work with the school council to share ideas and feedback to senior leaders."

Trips and Rewards

We believe that it is incredibly important for students to be rewarded for working hard. The reward scheme we offer allows students to be praised for their effort and commitment. In addition to our enrichment rewards, we offer several rewards trips across the course of Key Stage 5. We also offer all students the opportunity to visit several Universities and careers events over the course of their studies to allow them to make informed destination choices. Furthermore, we are very lucky to be part of a trust that values the collaboration of Sixth Forms across our family of schools. Our Sixth Formers compete in several trust wide competitions such as University Challenge, Sports Day and Debates.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS



To study here, we require

**5 GCSEs
at grades 4–9**

including 4+ in
English and/or Maths.



Individual subjects have their
own entry requirements.

HOW TO APPLY



Our applications for
September 2027
will open in
September 2026.

You can apply via our website
or by scanning the QR code below.



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