



FULFORD SIXTH FORM

Realising Potential - Creating the Future



WELCOME TO FULFORD SIXTH FORM



'This is an outstanding Sixth Form where students enjoy their learning and make excellent progress.' *Ofsted*

Continuing your education at Fulford Sixth Form is a real experience. It's an adventure to share with friends. It's a place to grow, develop and flourish. It's the gateway to your future career.

This prospectus will guide you through what we offer and, hopefully, convey the special atmosphere that makes Fulford such a great place to study. Our strong academic success is combined with an atmosphere that is both friendly and supportive. As one of the best performing Sixth Forms in the country, we put your welfare first and seek to ensure your success through the partnership of staff, students and parents. If you choose to join us, we ask you to commit to our high aspirations and expectations; in return you will become a valued part of a tightly-knit student community where we will do everything possible to help you thrive and succeed – at our Sixth Form and beyond.

At Fulford, we focus on students as individuals and believe that an educated person is more than a set of qualifications. Our Sixth Form offers an extensive range of academic and vocational courses, as well as many extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities. The friendly, dedicated

and studious environment is coupled with a strong community spirit, allowing students to meet new people and establish lasting friendships.

In addition to the high-quality teaching provided, the Sixth Form Leadership Team and Form Tutors enable students to realise their potential through strong pastoral, careers and academic support. We understand that every student is different, requiring a personalised approach and individual guidance so that their personal and academic goals can be achieved. A strong sense of respect between staff and students lies at the heart of everything we do at Fulford Sixth Form.

Fulford is a high-performing, happy, popular and thriving Sixth Form community where all students are encouraged to achieve their potential. Whatever your interests, career ambitions and subject choices, we are sure that you will find it a challenging, enjoyable and exciting place to be.

Kasia Davies

Director of Sixth Form,
Assistant Headteacher



A MESSAGE FROM THE STUDENTS

'The teaching I have experienced has been fantastic, interesting and enthusiastic.'

Student

We are so glad we chose Fulford Sixth Form; every day is a new adventure and we have always felt supported in our journey. From day one, starting with our induction to the preparations for our next steps post-19, we have always felt valued and important. The Sixth Form offers choice but also challenge and unwavering support. This is, of course, all down to the incredible teaching staff, caring tutors and the Sixth Form Leadership Team - we cannot thank them enough for the opportunities they have provided us with.

We have been able to form many new friendships in our time at the Sixth Form, which we will keep for years to come, and there are lots of opportunities to make great memories. With a great range of experiences and excellent academic results, we could not be better prepared for whatever will come next.

To all the prospective students, I hope you all have as amazing a time in Sixth Form as we have - you won't regret coming here!

Head Students



TEACHING AND LEARNING

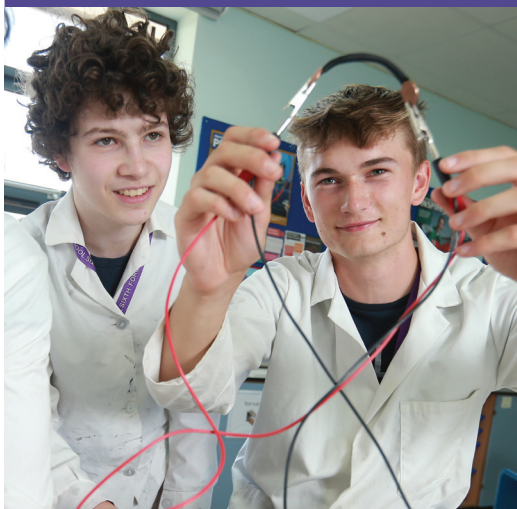
'Fulford Sixth Form has a collective, friendly atmosphere and the teachers go the extra mile to help you.' *Student*

We deliver a wide range of A Levels and vocational courses taught by expert staff with a continuing commitment to quality and excellence. Our results consistently place us within the top performing state schools and our learning environment enables us to cater for individual needs.

There is a strong focus on skills' development, independent study and in-depth learning. In addition to taught lessons, students are expected to undertake additional reading and research into each chosen course. To aid this, we provide well equipped private study rooms with computers and internet access within the Sixth Form block and a Resource Centre staffed by experts who are adept at helping students locate materials relevant to their research.

The lessons at Fulford are challenging, supportive and fun. Delivered by passionate and highly-skilled teachers, our students make excellent progress and our staff are always willing to go the extra mile to provide additional support where needed. Supported by well-developed tracking, monitoring and target setting systems, we ensure that students and parents know how well they are doing and understand how they can progress further.

Ultimately, we believe that learning does not stop once you leave the Sixth Form. We are passionate about education and strive to nurture individuals who share our love of learning and who leave Fulford equipped with skills and knowledge that prepare them for the twenty first century world.



POSITIVE OUTCOMES

'The tutorial system has been really useful and the support provided for university and apprenticeship applications has been invaluable.' *Student*

Students follow a bespoke careers package over the two years. This ensures positive outcomes for all.

The majority of our students progress to Higher Education with regular admissions to Oxbridge and an increasing proportion to Russell Group universities. Other progression routes include apprenticeships, employment and prestigious school leaver programmes.

In addition, we utilise our extensive links with universities, training organisations and employers to build a comprehensive progression package for our students that couples external provision with in-house expertise.



CARE AND GUIDANCE

'I am very thankful for having had so many opportunities here. I don't think I would have done as well without the support.' Student

Fulford's academic success is built on an excellent care and guidance system with a supportive atmosphere that enables students to cope successfully with the stresses of Sixth Form life, whilst having an enjoyable time. As a result of this support, our student retention rate is the highest in the region.

Students are assigned to a tutor group with a specialist Sixth Form Tutor who provides individual support and guidance throughout the two years. Weekly Form Periods inform students of key issues and facilitate personal development through careers, health and citizenship education.

Our tutorial system ensures that new students joining the Sixth Form make a smooth transition and quickly settle in. In addition to this, our Sixth Form students have many leadership opportunities where they develop a range of skills and play a key role in the life of the whole school.

Beyond the care of the tutors, students are supported by an extensive Sixth Form team, composed of Heads of Year, as well as the Learning and Wellbeing Worker. We are a community and our care is built on the HEART values of honesty, empathy, ambition, respect and tolerance.



ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

'There is a wide choice of extra-curricular activities and I've made some great friends.' Student

At Fulford Sixth Form, we encourage all students to make the most of what is on offer. Our Enrichment Programme offers a great range of activities such as learning an extra language, playing sports, taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh scheme, performing in a drama production or musical group, studying for the EPQ, helping in lower school lessons and learning First Aid. We also provide support for students who are considering applying for medicine, nursing and Oxbridge.

Alongside our range of planned activities, students have the opportunity to start their own clubs,

groups and societies. The enrichment programme is accredited through both internal awards and by external certification.

In addition to our Enrichment programme, we offer a number of study visits. In recent years these have included trips to Iceland and Washington DC. Individual departments also organise various excursions. Examples include Geography fieldwork in the Yorkshire Wolds, Biology coursework in the North York Moors and English, Politics and Business Studies trips to London.



JUST LIKE SCHOOL?

'Fulford Sixth Form helped me to gain more confidence and develop a much better work ethic. I became more determined to succeed and my teachers were always there to help and encourage me to achieve the best I could.' **Student**

Whilst our Sixth Form shares the same site as our main school there are clear differences. The lack of uniform is obvious but in many ways this is the most superficial difference. Sixth Formers enjoy a much closer relationship with staff and they play a unique part in the life of the school, combining the increased independence and new opportunities available post-16 with being a known and valued part of a wider school community. Sixth Form students help in lessons and assist lower school pupils through paired reading, mentoring and in leading and supporting form groups. This involvement develops new skills in our students as well as benefiting others in the school.

Sixth Form students enjoy the benefits of a college routine in terms of freedom to plan their own learning, while reaping the benefits of a school Sixth Form through effective individual support and excellent teaching standards. We have a large and well equipped cafe which acts as the centre of Sixth Form life throughout the day and is a popular place to relax and unwind. The Sixth Form has an active social life. Parties, trips, fundraising events and inter-form competitions are organised by the Sixth Form Committee who ensure that life in the Sixth Form is lively and fun.

REALISING POTENTIAL, CREATING THE FUTURE

'Moving to Fulford School for Sixth Form was the best move I could have made. The atmosphere is amazing and the friends I've made are for life.' **Student**

Fulford Sixth Form welcomes applications from students in any school across the city and beyond. If you want to be part of our success story, then

take part in our Open Evening and Taster Days to experience our special atmosphere. We look forward to welcoming you into our Sixth Form.







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