



# SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS 2024/25



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# WELCOME



Welcome to Theale Green School Sixth Form and thank you for considering us for your next step. I hope we can give you a flavour of our dynamic learning environment and our welcoming, inclusive community. Our Sixth Form has the highest aspirations for its students. The vast majority of our Sixth Form teachers went to Russell Group universities and, as such, are perfectly placed to support you to move onto the very best higher educational institutions or a sought-after apprenticeship pathway, as appropriate.

However Sixth Form is about so much more than academic achievement, and our enrichment programme ensures that you connect with the local community, pursue work experience, and explore wider cultural opportunities. Through this, we seek to develop intellectual, socially-minded individuals who can be the leaders of tomorrow.

Theale Green is proud to be part of the Activate Learning Education Trust (ALET) group of schools and colleges, united with its vision of 'Transforming Lives Through Learning'. We believe in the power of education to open doors for all young people, and our pathway to success is all about combining academic excellence with developing a sound belief in your self-worth.

We are very proud to be a 'Well School'. This is a national initiative led by the Youth Sport Trust to prioritise wellbeing. We aim for every member of our school to know that they are valued as individuals and for them to thrive in an energised, confident and optimistic environment.

Our Sixth Formers enjoy our purpose-built Sixth Form Centre, meaning they can study individually or in small groups, socialise, and access the support of our dedicated Sixth Form team.

Our values of Respect, Hard Work, and Progress are just as important in Sixth Form as in the rest of our school, and we combine these with the techniques of **VESPA** and our learning attributes of Professional, Aware, Enterprising, Resilient and Confident - the characteristics that employers look for in the workplace. Our students progress to top universities and apprenticeships with companies like KPMG.

**We look forward to welcoming you to Theale Green School Sixth Form.**

**Charlotte Badarelli**

Head of School



**David Holbrook**

Head of Sixth Form



# OUR MISSION, VALUES AND LEARNER ATTRIBUTES

## Mission

“ To Transform Lives Through Learning ”



Daily life at Theale Green School revolves around our Learning Philosophy, Values, and Learning Attributes. Our Learning Philosophy shapes our approach to teaching and learning, recognising that only when our brain, emotions and motivation are working together can we learn most effectively. Our Values are progress, hard work and respect, and these are the foundations for our behaviour and rewards systems. And finally our Learning Attributes, those strengths and skills which are important to employers. There is more information on all these on our website.



# YOUR PATHWAY TO SUCCESS



At Theale Green School, we pride ourselves on the young people who leave us at the end of year 13 and progress on to either university or prestigious apprenticeships. Our students achieve these high quality destinations thanks to a curriculum underpinned by academic rigour alongside extensive opportunities outside the classroom - all delivered by a dedicated team of highly experienced professionals. We ensure students develop their sense of connection with the wider community through experiences including running charity events such as the Pensioner's Tea Party, and supporting younger students with paired reading. We are proud of the successful young adults that TGS students become.



Our Sixth Form students study three or four A Levels, or a combination of A Levels and Level 3 BTEC courses.

In addition to a broad and diverse range of subjects, students can supplement their core programme of study in various ways. We offer the Extended Project Qualification, which helps develop the study skills required by the best universities in the country.

All students follow our dedicated and diverse careers programme that includes the opportunity to undertake work experience, and a focus on having the right mind set for success including key tips to achieve this. Our character curriculum is supported by the **VESPA** growth mind-set principles: where students are taught to Visualise themselves as successful, reflect and plan for the Effort and Systems they will need to be successful.

Finally, developing the components of Practice and Attitude are critical to students achieving success both academically and in real-life. This support enables students to leave us as confident and independent young adults, ready to embrace the world of employment or university.

The quality of our curriculum is best characterised through the excellent outcomes our students achieve, making us one of the top schools for results in the country. Many of our students continue their studies at one of the elite Russell Group of universities, and every year we have students accepted at Oxbridge. Our students have also been particularly successful in securing prestigious apprenticeship or other vocational routes. All of this enables Theale Green School students to be intellectual, socially minded individuals who can be the leaders of tomorrow.



# SIXTH FORM LIFE



Life in Theale Green School Sixth Form is vibrant, with students feeling a strong sense of connection to their peers and the wider school community. Students form strong relationships with sixth form leaders, including form tutors, the Head of Sixth Form and Sixth Form administrator: through this, they are supported to make the most of every day. Students have their own dedicated study centre and common room, and we take pride in supporting students to become driven and disciplined in their use of independent study time. Our student leadership team takes on substantive roles within the school at large, championing student voice through chairing the school council, supporting clubs and extracurricular activities, and liaising regularly with school leaders to ensure the very best experience for all.

Students have access to specialist careers advice and receive extensive support when applying to Higher Education, which includes university visits, guest speakers, online resources and practice interviews. Prospective Oxbridge candidates and those applying for specialist courses such as medicine follow a structured programme with proven results.

We place great emphasis on the importance of pupil voice and students at Theale Green Sixth Form have regularly opportunities to express their views on their experience so we can consistently improve the support we give.

There is dedicated Sixth Form extra-curricular time with large numbers of students using the time to join one of the many sports teams. Outdoor activities such as Duke of Edinburgh award and the Three Peaks Challenge involve large numbers of Sixth Form students. Sixth Form students acquire leadership skills, which are so important in later life; we see students very much as leaders exercising responsibility through the traditional formal leadership roles of Head Team, Senior Prefects and House Captains. There are plenty of opportunities for Sixth Form students to participate in school life, ranging from supporting younger pupils at local primary schools, coaching junior teams to playing a leading role in the musical productions.





# WHY STUDY AT THEALE GREEN SIXTH FORM?

We have a strong reputation for academic achievement, commitment to our students, and for our promotion of core values.

On top of this, students choose us because of our:

VISION

SUPPORTIVE  
CULTURE

ENRICHMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES

DEDICATED  
LEARNING  
ENVIRONMENT

CLEAR NEXT  
STEPS



Joining Theale Green School for Sixth Form has been a very positive experience for me. The students and the teachers are very welcoming and supportive. What I really liked was that the sixth form common room has both areas to study, and sofas to relax.

When I decided that I wanted to apply for university, my teachers and the Sixth Form leadership were behind me all the way. I was guided through the process of applying for university. I am thrilled to hopefully be studying Economics and Finance next year.



I took my GCSEs elsewhere but have really enjoyed Theale Green School Sixth Form. I chose to study 'A' Level Economics, Maths and Psychology, and my teachers' passion for their specialist subjects ignited my enthusiasm, and was nurtured in an environment where students are given the opportunity to flourish.

The support I had when I chose to apply for apprenticeships rather than universities was fantastic. I am really excited to be starting an ACA apprenticeship with Deloitte in September.

# WHERE CAN THEALE GREEN SIXTH FORM TAKE YOU?



Our students leave our Sixth Form with the skills and attributes to make a success of the next stage of their careers. Our highest performing students progress to highly ranked universities and a number of students have undergone rigorous application processes to gain apprenticeships at prestigious companies.

Each year we keep in touch with our alumni, with many coming in to speak to current students or to support with events. We also welcome recent leavers to attend our annual presentation evening to celebrate their success and hear about the next stage of their journey.

## What our Sixth Form students studied recently and where they went next:

Sixth Form Subjects	Destination	Course
Maths, Further Maths, Physics, Chemistry	Oxford University	Maths
English Literature, Religious Studies, Psychology	Oxford University	English Language & Literature
Geography, Maths, Psychology	Cardiff University	Urban Planning & Development
History, Government & Politics, English Literature	University of York	History & Politics
Chemistry, Biology, Maths	University of York	Chemistry
History, Business Studies, Psychology	University of Nottingham	Ancient History & Archaeology
Maths, Economics, Psychology	Deloitte	Accountancy Apprenticeship
Maths, Economics, Business Studies	KPMG	Accountancy Apprenticeship
Business Studies, Geography, Psychology	Bayer	Purchasing Apprenticeship
Geography, Business Studies, Psychology	Thames Water	Civil Engineering Apprenticeship



