



# Sixth Form

## at More House School



More House School  
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# Our academic and vocational curricula

The Sixth Form's rich curriculum offer comprises traditional A-Levels in many subjects, including English Literature, Mathematics and the three sciences, social sciences, humanities and arts subjects, as well as a breadth of A-Level-equivalent Level 3 BTEC courses across different disciplines, including Sports Coaching, Performing Arts and Countryside Management.

We also offer our wealth of experience in delivering the A-Level-equivalent Computer-Aided Design qualification, *Design, Engineer, Construct!* (DEC!), focused on digital design in the built-environment and affording progression to architecture degree courses. A Level 3 Extended Project qualification is also available, equivalent in university-admission points to half an A-Level but carrying more weight with admissions tutors, which is a popular addition to students' course portfolios.

For some students, entry directly to A-Level or equivalent Level 3 courses may not be appropriate. We therefore offer a Foundation Programme within the Sixth Form. This affords students opportunities for continuing GCSE-equivalent Level 2 qualifications and support to retake GCSE English or Mathematics in order to secure grade 4 or higher.



# The right pathway for you

Many of our students will progress from our senior school into our Sixth Form, but we also welcome external applications. There are different routes available within our Sixth Form:

- The majority of students will spend the customary two years in the Sixth Form, completing A-Level or equivalent Level 3 BTEC qualifications, or a hybrid mix of both types of course
- However, some students may be with us for three years in order to strengthen their GCSE-equivalent Level 2 qualifications portfolio before progressing to their two-year Level 3 courses
- Occasionally, students may spend a single year in the Sixth Form in order to secure their Level 2 requirements before progressing to further study elsewhere.

Most students will study three academic qualification courses at a time, although some may pursue four A-Levels or equivalent. There are many possibilities, and there is support available to help you to understand what options might give you the best opportunities to be happy and successful in your Sixth Form education.

*"Older pupils enjoy a varied choice of subjects as they move through the school. These are both academic and vocational in nature, preparing pupils well for their next steps in education and life beyond More House."*

(Ofsted, 2023)

# The best chance to succeed

More House holds an international reputation for excellence in supporting pupils who are clever, but who experience challenges in their education resulting from weakness in their language development, literacy, or other Specific Learning Difficulties. The school is renowned for providing a mainstream, academic curriculum, with specialist understanding of the best way to deliver learning and support for our students, so that they gain confidence and belief in themselves, and achieve exceptional success in public examinations and social development.

Our class-sizes in the Sixth Form are typically very small, and often fewer than ten pupils. Teachers are trained in planning and delivering learning opportunities that play to the strengths of our pupils, building students' independence as learners and preparing for the next stage of their educational journey. The school has a large team of specialist experts, including qualified Literacy Tutors, Speech and Language Therapists, and Occupational Therapists. Such specialists are on-hand to advise teachers, and to support students in their studies.

*"Pupils have made considerable progress with their independence skills, often in a short period of time."*

(Ofsted, 2023)





## Growing as a person

*"Parents reported that their children's progress  
has been transformational and that they flourish."*

(Ofsted, 2023)

Sixth Form education must never be just about academic qualifications. This is a time when our students grow as individuals, developing a much wider set of skills which enables them to design and pursue ambitious futures. The More House Sixth Form delivers a truly exciting and inspiring breadth of opportunities for our students to make the most of their time here, building skills and understanding which will give them the edge in the worlds of university study, apprenticeships, employment, community-engagement and independent living.

Each Sixth Form student is supported by an experienced and committed Form tutor and mentor, who supports the student to develop his understanding of himself, and to foster the development of the academic and social skills which will determine his success. The team of tutors is led by the Head and Deputy Head of Sixth Form who oversee the journey of each individual student through the Sixth Form, ensuring the suitability of care and support.

All students are supported to improve their skills in Personal Development and Personal Effectiveness alongside their academic studies. A wealth of trips and co-curricular opportunities broaden students' experience and confidence, including domestic and international residential excursions, sports, debates, music ensembles, black-tie formal dinners, and much more. A cooking-for-life programme prepares some students for independent living, and Sixth Formers will often participate in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme, including completing their Gold qualification. There are comprehensive careers-planning and university-application support.

Whilst all Sixth Formers provide role-modelling and leadership to the wider whole-school community, some Sixth Formers will take on specific responsibility roles, such as Prefect, Head of House, or even Head Boy. Sixth Formers engage in mentoring younger pupils through supporting Junior boys' reading skills-development, and assisting in some younger boys' lessons, realising tangible evidence for personal statements and interviews.





## An inspiring environment

More House Sixth Form is set within the school's stunning 30-acre campus on the Surrey/Hampshire border, on the cusp of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Beauty. Many will know of the famous Frensham Ponds and Alice Holt Forest. The historic town and train station of Farnham are three miles away, with direct trains to London and Guildford. The school is within a few minutes of the A3, with Guildford some twenty minutes' drive.

Set on a wooded hillside, the campus enjoys excellent facilities, including Media, Art and Photography studios, sports hall and playing fields, excellent gym facilities, spinning room, swimming pool, Science laboratories, Performing Arts centre, Music School, Engineering and Technology centre and chapel.

Sixth Form students make use of all of the campus' facilities and classrooms. The Sixth Form centre also comprises recreational common rooms, large garden, independent-study suites, classrooms and learning-support areas.

*"Students in the Sixth Form access a wide range of subjects. The curriculum is further strengthened by the school's excellent range of accommodation and teaching resources. Specialist equipment enables staff to deliver high quality lessons both in and out of the classroom."*

(Ofsted, 2023)



# Residential opportunities

Many Sixth Form students choose to board at school during the week, returning home every weekend. For some, weekly-boarding replaces a lengthy daily commute, converting time spent travelling into social interaction, extra-curricular activities, additional study time and - important for many - later morning alarm-calls!

Weekly boarders may spend four or five nights in school each week, arriving either on Sunday evening or on Monday morning as they prefer, and returning home on Friday afternoon. Free transport is provided to and from Farnham train station. In addition to weekly-boarding, full-boarding is available if required, with such students remaining in school most weekends, and returning home for Exeat weekends and all school holidays.

Our programme for Sixth Form boarders is deliberately designed to build their skills for independent and communal living, preparing them for successful transition to university halls-of-residence, sharing flats, and moving out of home. Our dedicated boarding staff team supports students to build their social confidence, and to make the most of their time, engaging in extra-curricular, social activities and building friendships which last for decades.

The residential accommodation is located in the very centre of the school campus, in modern facilities comfortably furnished. The Sixth Form boarding house includes common room space and a domestic kitchen facility supporting boarders' independent living skills. Nevertheless, three excellently nutritious, cooked meals a day are provided by the school's catering team.





# Outcomes

Our students' outcomes drive every part of the design of our Sixth Form and wider-school experience. We are extremely proud of our students' academic successes, where they frequently beat national expectations for A-Level, GCSE and equivalent results. The majority of our Sixth Formers progress to university degree study, at a wide choice of universities and in a very broad range of subject-disciplines. However, we also have experience of progression to post-eighteen apprenticeship programmes, and will support some students to continue to other further education courses, or directly into employment.



## Our students

Our Sixth Formers are the very best advertisement for the school at all levels, and provide inspiration and encouragement to our younger pupils who may worry that their own success is unlikely. We are so proud of our Year 12 and 13 students, who realise enormous personal growth and maturity during their time in the More House Sixth Form.

*"Students experience growth in their confidence and self-esteem, which supports them towards excellent outcomes. The majority of leavers go on to further or higher education and employment. Students are proud of their success and their achievements are celebrated by the whole school community."*

(Ofsted, 2023)





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