



SIXTH FORM
PROSPECTUS UPDATE
for SEPTEMBER 2017

INTRODUCTION

Recent governmental changes to Key Stage 5 study mean that the information in the main prospectus is out of date. We are developing a new prospectus in conjunction with our academy trust, but we could not achieve this in time for the next academic year. We have produced this update as an interim measure to help with your decision making.

KEY DIFFERENCES:

- Students must achieve a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade C or above (grade 5 in English and Maths), plus the required entry grade for the subjects they wish to study
- We no longer offer Level 2 courses, except for those students who achieve sufficient grades to attend Sixth Form but need to resit English or Maths GCSE alongside their other study
- All A Levels are now **two year linear courses** with final exams at the end of Year 13
- Students will now study **three** courses through Year 12 and 13, instead of starting on four and dropping one (we will consider students who wish to study four if there is academic evidence to support potential success)
- Vocational courses all now contain formal exam units

COURSE LIST

In the table below is a list of the courses we are offering for September 2017. It can be used in conjunction with the general subject overviews in the main prospectus, but for specific course content details it is worth contacting the relevant Head of Subject using the email address provided.

IMPORTANT NOTE

It is our aim to provide the broadest choice of courses possible but our ability to run a course is dependent on several factors, most importantly student numbers.

All courses are subject to change and **some may not run at all**. To facilitate the widest chance of studying with us, we ask students to choose a reserve subject in case one of their initial choices is not possible.

SUBJECT	COURSE(S) OFFERED	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	NOTES
ART	AQA A Level Art & Design (Fine Art endorsement)	GCSE Grade B or above or BTEC Level 2 Merit	
Biology	OCR A Level	GCSE Grade B in Biology Good pass in Maths as the new spec includes a lot of Maths	Modules include: Practical skills. Foundations. Exchange & Transport. Biodiversity, Communication and Genetics
Business	OCR CTEC	GCSE English Grade 5 or above	
Chemistry	OCR A Level	Grade B at GCSE Chemistry or Grade A in Core	Modules include: Practical skills,

		and Additional Science plus a good pass in Maths GCSE	Foundations, Periodic Table, Core Organic Chemistry, Physical and Organic Chemistry.
Dance	Pearsons BTEC Level 3 National extended certificate in Performing Arts (Dance)	Merit or above in Level 2 Dance or appropriate out of school dance experience. Must be enthusiastic and enjoy learning about the world of dance.	
Drama	Pearsons BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Performing Arts Pearsons BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts	Merit or above in Level 2. Audition.	
English Literature	AQA A Level	Grade 5 or above	English Literature and English Language can be studied together; however, if you choose English Language and Literature, you would not be able to take either of the other English A Levels.
English Language	AQA A Level	Grade 5 or above	This is very different to GCSE English Language and is focused on Linguistics
English Language and Literature	AQA A Level	Grade 5 or above	A combined course which offers a taste of both Literature and Language.
French	AQA A Level	Grade B or above	
German	AQA A Level	Grade B or above	

Geography	AQA A Level	GCSE Geography Grade B or above	
History	OCR A Level	GCSE History Grade B or above	Topics will include: England 1485-1558 Tudors. Italy 1896-1943. Civil Rights in the USA 1865-1992. Non Examined topic essay of 3000-4000 words.
Health & Social Care	OCR CTEC	GCSE Grade C or above	
ICT	OCR CTEC	CIDA Grade C or above	
Mathematics	AQA AS / A2	GCSE Grade 6 or above	
Media studies	OCR CTEC Extended certificate in Digital Media	GCSE English Grade 5 or above	
Music	AQA or Eduqas A Level	GCSE Music C or above (BTEC Merit or above may be considered with relevant experience)	
Philosophy of Ethics (A Level Religious studies)	OCR A Level	GCSE English Grade 5 Humanities subject (preferably RS) Grade B	This course will encourage learners to develop an interest in a rigorous study of religion and relate it to the wider world, with an enquiring, critical and reflective approach.
Physical Education	OCR A Level	Grade B at GCSE P.E.	

Physics	OCR A Level	Grade B at GCSE Physics or Additional and Core Science. Plus a good pass in Maths.	Modules include: Practical skills, Foundation, Forces and Motion, Electrons, Newtonian World and Astrophysics, Particles and Medical Physics.
Psychology	AQA A Level	English GCSE Grade 5 Maths GCSE Grade 5 Science Grade B	The course allows learners to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of psychological concepts, theories, research studies, research methods and ethical issues. Learners will analyse, interpret and evaluate psychological concepts, theories, research studies and research methods and evaluate therapies and treatments including in terms of their appropriateness and effectiveness.
Sociology	AQA A Level	English GCSE Grade 5 Humanities subject GCSE Grade B	Learners will study sociological theories, perspectives and methods on two core themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Socialisation, culture and identity. ○ Social differentiation, power and stratification.

SIXTH FORM STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

STAFF MEMBER	ROLE	EMAIL
Mr. David Robertson	Head of Sixth Form	drobertson@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Ms. Karen Martindale	Assistant Head with responsibility for Sixth Form	kmartindale@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Ms. Kaye Alexander	Sixth Form Manager (pastoral support lead)	kalexander@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org

SUBJECT LEADER CONTACT INFORMATION

SUBJECT	STAFF MEMBER	ROLE	EMAIL
Art	Mrs Tracey Evans	Head of Art	tevens@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Biology, Chemistry & Physics	Mrs Karen Sykes	Head of Science	ksykes@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Business	Mrs Theresa George	Business teacher	tgeorge@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Dance	Mrs Kim Geoghegan	Head of Dance	kgeoghegan@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Drama	Miss Stacey Miller	Head of Drama	smiller@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
English	Mrs Carolyn Wood	Head of English	cwood@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
French and German	Mrs Lisa Cross	Head of Modern Foreign Languages	lcross@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Geography	Mrs Faye Commons	Head of Geography	fcommons@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
History	Mrs Zoe Paul	Head of History	z paul@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Health & Social Care	Mr Phil Wilkinson	Head of Vocational Studies	pwilkinson@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
ICT	Mr Phil Wilkinson	Head of Vocational Studies	pwilkinson@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Maths	Mr Michael Mpieri	Head of Maths	mmpieri@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Media studies	Mr Dave Robertson	Head of Media Studies	drobertson@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Music	Mrs Theresa Robertson	Head of Music	trobertson@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Philosophy of Ethics (RS)	Ms Michelle Hodgkins	Head of Social Sciences	mhodgkins@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Physical Education	Mr Matt Gamble	Head of P.E	mgamble@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org
Psychology & Sociology	Ms Michelle Hodgkins	Head of Social Sciences	mhodgkins@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org

