

Welcome to the Sixth Form



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A warm welcome

Miss Natasha L Evans HEAD OF THE SIXTH FORM

The Sixth Form at Solihull is a vibrant, inclusive and dynamic community that aims to foster intellectual curiosity and academic excellence. We seek to establish a lifelong love of learning and we work collaboratively to support our young people as they transition into early adulthood and life beyond.



Our academic offering is such that 27 subjects available for study at A Level, ensuring students can really pursue the things that interest and excite them. The structure of the academic day ensures students have regular access to subject specialists who have a true passion and level of expertise in their subjects, whilst also having time embedded to begin to nurture habits of independent study.

Each year we welcome approximately 40 new students to our cohort at the start of the Lower Sixth and with this being a key and popular transition point, it is an easy time to make friends and to establish themselves within a new peer group. We foster transition with small tutor groups and bespoke transition events. Our post-18 pathway supports transition from school into wider life; we ensure that all students are guided towards options and supported in making applications and preparing for life beyond A Level education.

Life at Solihull helps students to ensure that their development is truly holistic and that they enter adult life with a sense of 'all round' development. Our pastoral care sees tutors working with a small group of tutees and developing supportive coaching relationships. We also offer a breadth of co-curricular opportunities that allow our students to step into new challenges and new roles, as well as indulging further the passions and interests that have shaped their formative years.

We believe that sixth form education is the time for young people to learn through increasing independence and mounting resilience. It is a space for them to learn to advocate for themselves and to develop the necessary skills to become good communicators. If sixth form education is enjoyable then young adults become lifelong learners, equipped for our ever-changing society and global community.

I look forward to meeting you soon.

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space

The Cooper Building

The most recent addition to our Warwick Road campus is the impressive Cooper Building, designed to meet the needs of our Sixth Form students.

From study areas and classrooms to the Cooper Café and roof terrace, this bespoke building provides a space to for students to learn, to build relationships and to thrive.



study areas



small classes



Cooper Café



roof terrace



Subjects

- Art
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Classical Civilisation
- Computer Science
- Dance
- Design and Technology
- Drama and Theatre Studies
- Economics
- English Literature
- French
- Geography
- German
- Greek
- History
- Latin
- Mathematics
- Further Mathematics
- Music
- Photography
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Religious Studies (Philosophy and Ethics)
- Spanish

*Detailed subject information can be found on our website.
This list of available subjects is open to change.*

A Level Results 2022

We have seen exceptional consistency over the last five years, and in 2022 Approximately 94% of our students met the conditions of their chosen universities.

Six students who received offers to read Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science met the conditions of their offer, as did our nine students who received offers from Oxford or Cambridge.

We are proud of our exciting and broad academic provision.

We offer 27 different A level subjects, enabling our students to enter a range of future careers. Our small class sizes and highly skilled staff will help support and challenge you through the two-year courses, so that you are always reaching that little bit further and asking that deeper question. Our results and value-added scores allow students to go to pursue a wide variety of courses from Medicine at Oxbridge to high level Degree Apprenticeships.

100% PASS RATE
62% A*-A GRADES
94% A*-B GRADES

Academics

Supporting your journey

ONE OF THE REAL STRENGTHS OF OUR SIXTH FORM IS THE INCREDIBLE TEAM THAT SUPPORTS OUR STUDENTS.

From your tutor, who will engage in regular one-to-one meetings with you, to the highly experienced Sixth Form staff, you will be mentored every step of the way.

Our Deputy Heads of Section are responsible for your transition into Sixth Form, and whether you are moving up from our Upper Fifth or one of the pupils that join us new, there will be events and opportunities for you to feel welcome and part of our Sixth Form community.



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In addition, we have a full time Director of Post-School Pathways and Academic Guidance who organises a range of events in every type of career and arranges one-to-one meetings to ensure that you have all the support we can provide on how to pursue your next steps. And the journey doesn't stop at the end of the Upper Sixth. Our Director of Development and Alumni Relations will welcome you as an Old Silhillian. When you leave school, you are invited to join Solihull Community Network where you can build relationships with people in areas you'd like to work in, attend events, keep in touch with friends and share experiences - you'll be part of our family and community for life.

21st century skills

At Solihull, we aim to inspire and encourage students to participate in life outside the classroom. We feel that the lessons they learn whilst experiencing these activities are as powerful as the lessons learnt in the academic arena.

Our 'Big 6' co-curricular activities are categorised as Academic Enrichment, Community Relations, Music, Outdoor Education, Performing Arts and Sport, Health and Fitness. There are over 80 clubs and societies to embrace, including Debating, Chess, Dance, the Equity Group or the Engineering Education Scheme.

Students in the Sixth Form are encouraged to instigate co-curricular opportunities; this helps them demonstrate leadership skills and our Novus traits of being front-footed, flexible, grounded and giving. Their knowledge will be further enhanced by a weekly Enrichment and Wellbeing and Personal Development lesson, in addition to choosing accredited course options, such as the popular and extremely worthwhile Extended Project Qualification.

We hope our students leave Solihull with a passion for something new that will enrich their life, having had the opportunity to find their voice and challenge themselves along the way.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SKILLS THAT ARE GOING TO BE NEEDED FOR THE 21ST CENTURY ARE MUCH WIDER THAN SIMPLY ACADEMIC LEARNING.



HAVE THE AMBITION. TAKE HOLD OF THE OPPORTUNITIES.



Important info...

Every year we welcome a significant number of bursary holders, outstanding young people who contribute to our school community.

Bursaries are a form of financial assistance the school can offer families to help them meet the costs of school fees. We believe that an individual's background or financial position should not be a barrier to their ambition.

Applications are encouraged and are reviewed on an individual basis, and means tested.

Scholarships are available for those with exceptional ability in the areas of Academics, Music, Sport and Drama and Theatre Design.

A pupil may be in receipt of both a bursary and a scholarship.

Our Admissions team would be very happy to answer any questions you may have on any aspect pertaining to the admissions process.



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