



# The Wren School Sixth Form Open Evening

# Welcome

John Salberg - Principal

# Principals Welcome

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*“Each child, regardless of background, will receive a world-class education and be nurtured, challenged and inspired to aim high.”*

# Our Vision



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- Central dining and social zone
- Specialist sixth form facilities, including sixth form centre
- Sports Hall with fitness and dance studios; 4G all-weather pitch and MUGA
- Sunken garden – outdoor teaching space

# State of the Art Buildings and Resources

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*Preparing students for future study, employment and experiences through:*

- Qualified, inspiring and energetic staff who care;
- Outside speakers delivering lectures and training sessions;
- Interview and application workshops;
- Forming links with local businesses to provide employability support;
- 6<sup>th</sup> form programme to develop life skills;
- Modern facilities and resources.

# Why choose our 6<sup>th</sup> Form?

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An extra-curricular course - designed to improve your chances of employment.

We will strive to work with each student to ensure that they have the skills needed to pursue their life goals, including school leadership opportunities.

Students will have 1 lesson a week for assembly or 'personal development'. Topics covered include:

- Voting
- Learning to drive
- Mortgages
- Saving money
- Interview and CV writing
- Careers education and guidance

Additionally, students will have 2 lessons a week (double period) where they will choose between:

- Sport
- Community service within the school
- Completing additional courses towards UCAS points

# Employability Development

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- Each student will sign a 'Learning Agreement' ensuring that they know and understand our expectations. We expect our students to uphold the highest standards in engagement and attitude.
- Students will be expected to attend 5 days a week from 8.50am until 3.20pm:
  - scheduled lessons
  - study periods, assemblies, community service, sport and silent study.
- Student dress code is 'smart casual' with natural hair colour.
- Each student will have computer access.

# Expectations

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Our sixth Form offers the following pathways:

1. **A level.** Designed for students who have achieved (or expect to achieve) a minimum of 5 grade 5 GCSEs (including English and mathematics).
2. **Combined A level & vocational.** Suitable for students who have achieved (or expect to achieve) a minimum of 5 grade 4 GCSEs (including English and mathematics).
3. **Vocational only.** Followed by students who have achieved (or expect to achieve) fewer than 5 grade 4 GCSEs.

Each subject has its own entry requirements. These can be found in the 'prospectus' document on the school website.

# Pathways and entry requirements

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3 A Levels	3 BTECs	2 A Level/1 BTEC mix	2 BTECs/ 1 A level
Art	Business	Art	Food Science
History	Music	History	Performance
Maths	PE	Travel & Tourism	English Literature

# Subject choices

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Subject	Level
Art	A Level
Art: Fashion and Textiles	A Level
Art: Photography	A Level
Biology	A Level
Business Studies	A Level
Chemistry	A Level
Design Technology: Product Design	A Level
English Literature	A Level
Film Studies	A Level
Further Maths	A Level
Geography	A Level
History	A Level
Maths	A Level
Maths (Core)	AS Level equivalent
Music	A Level
Physical Education	A Level
Physics	A Level
Politics	A Level
Psychology	A Level
Philosophy & Ethics	A Level
Spanish	A Level
Computing	Level 3 BTEC
Food Science & Nutrition	Level 3 BTEC
Health & Social Care	Level 3 BTEC
Performing Arts	Level 3 BTEC
Travel & Tourism	Level 3 BTEC

Each of these courses will run in September 2021 if there is sufficient demand.

Each course will require a minimum grade achieved or equivalent to allow students to study them.

# Subjects offered

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The 16-19 Bursary Fund is a scheme to help students facing financial hardship to continue in full time education after year 11. To qualify:

- A student must be aged 16 and under 19 on the 31 August at the start of the academic year in which he/she starts a study programme;
- They must also be on a full-time study programme.

For more information please visit <https://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund>

Free school meals are also available to students in full time education who meet the criteria specified by Reading Borough Council.

# Bursary

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Sixth form applications are made via our school website. **This form must be completed before 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021.**

When applying for your place you will need your current Most Likely Outcome for all GCSE subjects.

If you are an external student - there is an additional form that must be downloaded, completed and brought with you to your meeting.

You will have an formal meeting with a member of The Wren School staff prior to an offer letter that will be sent to you on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

# Applying for a place at The Wren School Sixth Form

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**Do you have any questions?**

**Thank you for listening**

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