

After their GCSEs, most students choose to return to Weatherhead's sixth form to continue their studies and they are joined by students who join us from elsewhere. Sixth Form students are fully integrated into the life of school, providing excellent

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leadership and acting as **role models** to our younger students. They benefit from the opportunity to select from a **wide range of courses, very good study facilities** and a **broad and engaging enrichment programme** that prepares them well for life beyond school. Our Sixth Form students are proud to be at Weatherhead and they take advantage of all the opportunities on offer. The **results they are achieve exceptional**, performing in line with the top 25% of post-16 providers nationally.

Below is a summary of what makes Weatherhead Sixth Form so special and such a popular choice for young people living in the local area....

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|  | Students can choose from a wide range of A Level and vocational courses . Typically, students opt for three subjects although there is flexibility and some students have a very personalised pathway. |
|  | The pastoral care provided by the Sixth Form team supports all students in quickly settling into their new environment and coping with the demands of Sixth Form study. |
|  | Links to universities are excellent. All students have the opportunity to visit universities and visiting speakers guide students through the university admission process. In addition, the school works closely with apprenticeship providers and employers, ensuring that all students have a clear post-18 plan. |
|  | Opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills and shine are extensive. The Student Senior Leadership Team (SSLT) is the pinnacle of student leadership at Weatherhead and is ably led by our Head Girl and her deputies. |
|  | Students have a rich experience of employer engagement , including a week of work experience in Year 12. |
|  | Teachers are engaging, experienced and highly skilled in the delivery of their subjects. They support students very well through their two years of study, ensuring they are well-prepared to succeed in examinations and other assessments. |
|  | Students in Sixth Form lead on some whole school enrichment activities, including Pink Week, a week of fundraising for Clatterbridge Hospital that takes place every Autumn term. |
|  | Each year, many students progress to some of the country's most prestigious universities. We have an excellent track record of students securing places at Oxford and Cambridge , and several students each year study Medicine, Dentistry and/or Veterinary Science . |
|  | Although a large sixth form, personalisation to meet the needs and interests of all students is prioritised: the most-able cohort join the Scholars' Programme, those who are not ready to commence Level 3 courses join our one year 'bridging' course and students who are interested in childcare complete a full-time two year early years education qualification. |
|  | Students benefit from a broad range of trips (including to Venice and Iceland) and other enrichment opportunities, including the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award programme. |

In 2024, our students achieved **exceptional results**. Here are the highlights....

- ✓ 25% of all A Levels were grades A*/A and 50% of entries were graded A*-B
- ✓ 26 A Level entries (nearly 10%) were graded A*
- ✓ In BTEC courses, 75% of entries were awarded either Distinction* or Distinction
- ✓ 90% of students secured a place at their first choice university
- ✓ 100% of students who were entered successfully completed the Extended Project Qualification