

INNOVATIVE
INDEPENDENT
MOTIVATED
ENTHUSIASTIC
CONFIDENT
COMPASSIONATE
COMMITTED

ASPIRING

SUCCESSFUL
ENQUIRING

SIXTH FORM
2025 - 2026



Kent
College



KEY FACTS

5 IS THE
AVERAGE
CLASS
SIZE

All-girls
SIXTH FORM

Broad Academic Offer

20
A LEVELS

3 BTEC^S

3 AAQ^S*

(Alternative Academic Qualification)

*(Two from 2026)

Results 2024

**18% A Level
A***

**42% A Level
A*-A**

**75% A Level
A*-B**

**PERSONALISED
APPROACH**

Subject choice and
tailored careers
support



**Honours
Programme**

Broaden horizons
and develop new skills

**KC FUTURES
PROGRAMME**

Make informed and positive
choices about the future



**Sixth Form
Study Centre**

Hub for Sixth Form study
and relaxation

80%

ACCEPTED INTO THEIR
1ST CHOICE UNIVERSITY



THIS IS SIXTH

An introduction from Mrs Sally Gillings, Head of Sixth Form



Thank you for considering Kent College as the next step in your daughter's education.

A Sixth Form is the pinnacle of a school where students take on new academic challenges, leadership opportunities and develop their interests in a wide range of extra-curricular options. Entering Sixth Form here at Kent College marks a new stage in your daughter's school journey. It is about fresh, exciting opportunities and greater independence; it is a time to explore personalised academic pathways and build new life-long friendships.

Witnessing our students grow into compassionate and driven young adults is a privilege. They pursue higher education at prestigious universities both in the UK and abroad, and after eight years here, I can confidently say that Kent College Sixth Form is quite remarkable. Our students excel academically, support one another, and genuinely enjoy their time with us.

We are committed to every pupil's success. Our flexible and personalised approach allows each

student to choose their own path and thrive. In the Sixth Form, we challenge students to believe in themselves, fostering resilience and ambition. We are also a Methodist school, and we embrace the values of doing all the good we can, while being an inclusive and dynamic community.

Recognising the ever-changing landscape of the future workforce, we prepare our students to be ready for the next stage. We offer a wide range of academic choices and a robust extracurricular programme to build a strong foundation for future careers and studies. At Kent College, students can choose from 20 A Levels, AAQs in Medical Science, Marketing* and Performance Arts,* as well as three BTECs.

Our Honours Programme is engaging and practical, providing opportunities to develop workplace and leadership skills through initiatives like Ivy House and Accounting Club. Students can become peer mentors or delve into academic interests with the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), the Gold Crest Award in STEM, or a foreign language business qualification. We endeavour to encourage each individual to broaden their horizons and fully develop the many skills which are essential for life beyond school.

Mrs Jo Oogarah, our dedicated Head of Careers, is based in our Sixth Form Centre. She offers guidance, mock interviews, and career talks. Her regular Futures Programme helps students explore various career paths and academic options.

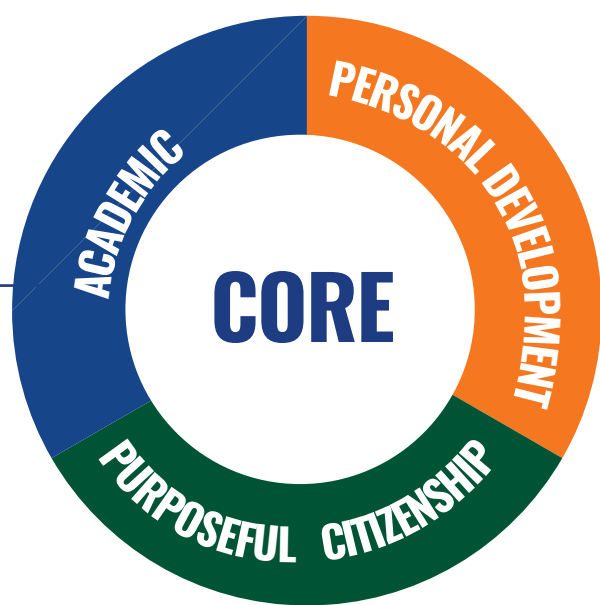
We understand the pressures on young people's mental health and the challenges of balancing school and home life. That's why we have a dedicated support team in Tilley. Our small tutor groups meet daily, fostering a supportive community where students help each other and younger students.

Our goal is to provide our Sixth Formers with every advantage: academic success, new experiences, and opportunities to learn and make friends.

I look forward to welcoming you to Kent College Sixth Form.

* From 2026

CORE OFFER



Purposeful Citizenship

Students take part in a volunteer programme and work experience with opportunities both within the school and in the local community.

Academic

We offer a wide range of academic options and different qualifications so students can choose the subjects which inspire and excite them. We timetable subjects to facilitate a student's choice of three or four A Levels, BTECs or an AAQ. Our results are excellent due to the careful consideration and advice given to combinations, the hard work of our students and the excellence of our teaching.

Personal Development

The personal development of our students is also paramount. We focus on the following key areas to develop your daughter's study habits, her understanding of the wider world and her well being.

A Level Mindset

We aim to develop attitudes and skills in our students that give them the best chance of achieving the highest grades. These 'VESPA' skills are delivered through workshops, assemblies and regular meetings with their tutor.

Vision knowing what you want to achieve.

Effort putting in hours of proactive study.

Systems organising your resources and time.

Practice developing your skills.

Attitude responding constructively to setbacks.

PHSE

These lessons are taught from Year 7 to Sixth Form, and cover a broad range of topics designed to build life skills. The focus is on relationships, mental wellbeing, health choices, rights and responsibilities, aspirations for the future and celebrating differences.

Sport and Wellbeing

These sessions are designed to keep students healthy and active, and teach them how to recognise the importance of their mental well being. Weekly Sport and Wellbeing lessons offer the opportunity to take part in team and competitive sports as well as activities including swimming, yoga and fitness.

Futures Programme

Students attend a bespoke programme of guest speakers ranging from Kent College alumni to industry experts who share and discuss their experiences from university selection to goal setting and building a career.

Curriculum Enrichment

This is a weekly session where students are encouraged to take part in many aspects of the Honours Programme, for example, participation in the Ivy House Award or selecting an EPQ topic.

“The quality of the pupils’ academic and other achievements is excellent.”

ISI 2023



“Pupils have exceptionally positive attitudes to all aspects of their learning. They have a ‘can do’ attitude and persevere at all ages.”

ISI 2023

Subjects

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| Art | Mathematics |
| Biology | Medical Science (AAQ) |
| Business | Music |
| Chemistry | Photography |
| Classical Civilisation | Physical Education (BTEC) |
| Dance (BTEC) | Physical Education (BTEC Diploma) |
| Drama and Theatre | Physics |
| English Literature | Psychology |
| Film Studies | Sociology |
| Food Science and Nutrition (Diploma) | Spanish |
| French | Textile Design |
| Further Mathematics | Cambridge IELTS |
| Geography | |
| History | |

Subject Videos

Scan the QR code to find out how we deliver courses and meet the subject teacher.



Results 2024

In 2024, the top A* grade percentage at 18% was the best result for nine years. 42% of Maths and Further Maths grades were awarded at A*-A, 54% EPQ grades were A*-A, 50% of English grades were A*-A and 80% of Art, Textiles and Photography grades were A*-A. 80% of PE BTEC results were at the top level and over a third of Psychology grades were A*.

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HONOURS PROGRAMME

Leadership

There are many leadership opportunities for Sixth Form students at Kent College, and we are keen for them to show responsibility and creativity as they adopt new roles.

Sixth Form students can take part in the Ivy House Award. This twenty-week course is an award-winning, life skills and leadership programme offering cutting-edge personal and professional content as well as performance coaching and mentorship. Upon completing the programme, students can join a network of Ivy House graduates to help them with their professional network. The course is subject to an additional fee.

Our bespoke Future Female Leaders programme is designed to help students develop leadership skills and is especially appealing for Sixth Form students seeking School Officer roles.

Peer Mentoring is popular and involves a short training course which enables Sixth Form students to mentor younger students throughout the academic year.

Sports Leadership is an opportunity for students to hone their leadership skills in sport and contribute to the sporting life of the Lower School.

Entrepreneurship

Working closely with the Business Department, students will take part in the KC Enterprise Programme where they will design, cost and implement a business initiative within the school. This experience provides students with the skills, competencies and mindset to make the most of opportunities and respond to challenges.

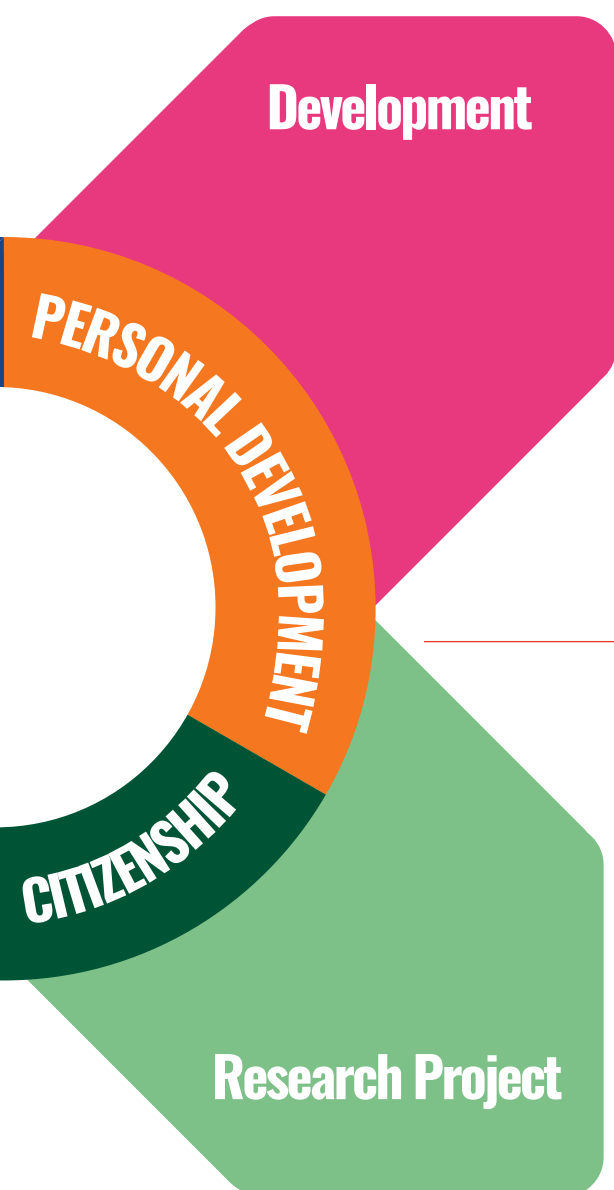
The Accounting Club is a ten-week course conducted by Accounting Club Educators who are experienced accountants, trained and accredited to deliver the programme effectively. Their expertise ensures that students receive high-quality instruction and practical knowledge in accounting and personal finance.

Language Business Level 2 and 3 qualifications are intermediate accreditations in Spanish or French, designed to deliver practical language skills in Business. This course is one hour per week throughout the Lower Sixth, and will offer 16 UCAS points.



Students choose to follow single or double Honours in one or two of the following: Leadership, Development, Entrepreneurship and Research Project.

Students may choose to do more than one course within each category, should their timetables permit this.



Development

Students may choose to enhance their subject knowledge in preparation for university or life after Kent College.

STEM

The CREST Gold Award is a research project that makes an original contribution to a STEM field of study. Recognised and respected by universities and employers, the award can be used to enhance a UCAS personal statement.

Arts and Creatives

Students can continue efforts in Drama and Music exams such as LAMDA and ABRSM or Trinity. Participation in performances, concerts and productions including technical theatre, costumes, make-up and props can also form part of this programme. The Young Fashion Designer Award offers the opportunity to take part in a nationwide competition.

EAL

A ten-session programme designed for EAL students to learn how to write for the world of work is designed to build confidence in students and enable them to produce writing for a website or a podcast at an advanced level.

Research Project

EPQ

The EPQ is an independent piece of work where students receive instruction on research methods whilst completing a self-guided project. It demonstrates an independent work ethic to both universities and future employers and develops skills required for study at higher level. The EPQ award carries a UCAS tariff.



Honours Programme

CAREERS



Mrs Jo Oogaragh - Head of Careers

The Careers Programme aims to deepen understanding of the possibilities after Sixth Form so that students can make positive and well-informed choices about their future.

Careers education and support is fully embedded into Sixth Form life as we help students build their knowledge of post-Sixth Form choices from day one with our bi-monthly Futures Programme talks in the Lower Sixth. These bring in past students, universities, apprenticeship providers as well as speakers from a range of varied careers in business, health, science and the creative industries. We ease them in gently and then continue to build on the skills that employers seek with our Future Female Leaders Programme, work experience and volunteering initiatives.

Every decision made by our students is an individual one and our team works closely with students and their academic, pastoral and extra-curricular teachers to support and guide them in their decisions.

Our dedicated Head of Careers, based in the Sixth Form, helps with:

UCAS applications and personal statements

Oxbridge and high tariff university guidance

University visits and fairs

Degree apprenticeships

In addition to this, the Head of Careers is available to all of our Sixth Form students to offer bespoke, one to one guidance at any time. Receiving such individualised advice at a key stage of career development is invaluable in ensuring that all of our students make well thought out choices. It also contributes to our continued success in first choice offers and university places.

We aim to ensure that all Sixth Form students have the necessary resources to make their chosen pathway an exceptional one. Using Unifrog, a free online platform, students can explore their interests, record their skills, discover new opportunities as well as compare university courses and apprenticeships, and find the best next steps for them. We monitor, encourage and support students to make full use of this resource.



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2023-2024

UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS

Theology

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH

Animation, Textiles

GLASGOW

Politics and Psychology

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY

Natural Sciences, Criminology, Geography, Liberal Arts, Politics and French, History

DURHAM UNIVERSITY

Philosophy and Psychology, Maths and Statistics

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

Geography, Chemical Engineering, Architecture

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

Architecture

OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY

Politics and Sociology, Sport, Psychology, Real Estate, Business Management

SWANSEA UNIVERSITY

Law

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Mathematics

UNIVERSITY OF BATH

Management with Marketing

UNIVERSITY OF EXETER

Business

UNIVERSITY OF BOURNEMOUTH

Business and Management

ARTS UNIVERSITY OF BOURNEMOUTH

Art Foundation, Fashion Branding and Communication, Film Production

UNIVERSITY OF YORK

Biology, Law

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

Food Science and Nutrition, Art and Design

NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY

Fashion Design, Business Management and Marketing

UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

Geography, Architecture

LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY

Mechanical Engineering

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Classical Civilisation

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

Law

UNIVERSITY OF KENT

Media, Psychology

LONDON

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

Spanish with Management Studies, English.

CENTRAL SAINT MARTINS (UAL)

Foundation Year

KINGSTON UNIVERSITY LONDON

Graphic Design

ROYAL HOLLOWAY

Modern Languages

UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX

International Relations and Sociology, Sociology, Marketing and Management

UNIVERSITY OF BRIGHTON

Accounting, Finance and Economics

CANTERBURY CHRIST CHURCH

Psychology

UNIVERSIDAD PONTIFICIA COMILLAS

Translation, Interpreting and Language Technology

SIXTH FORM LIFE

Tilley House

Tilley House is the Sixth Form Centre and a hub for study and relaxation. There is a large, comfortable common room with a constant supply of tea, coffee, toast and biscuits. The Heads of Tilley (two Upper Sixth students) manage the ordering of supplies and all Sixth Form students are expected to help in the running of Tilley. There are personal study rooms for quiet study.



Dress Code

For formal occasions:

- A smart, tailored jacket and smart skirt/trousers/ dress. Skirts and trousers to be worn with a plain buttoned blouse and V or round neck jumper if cold. Smart black shoes and tights.

For daily wear:

- Smart skirt/trousers or dress in the colour of your choice. Plain, fitted but not skin-tight.
- Skirts/dresses/trousers should be of appropriate length for a school environment.
- Tops should be smart; a shirt or blouse, short or long sleeved in the colour of your choice, either plain or subtly patterned. Shoulders and stomachs should be completely covered.
- V-neck, crew neck or cardigan jumpers in the colour of your choice either plain or subtly patterned but no logos or writing.
- Shoes, ankle boots, and sandals must be formal in style and of a sensible and safe height. Dr. Martens shoes may be worn but not ankle or high boot types. All black or all white trainers are allowed but they must be plain with no other colours or trim.
- Smart jacket or coat can be worn when cold but not overly casual.
- Office appropriate make-up and jewellery. A single small nose stud is permitted.





Privileges

Early Lunch – At lunchtime Sixth Form students can go to the Dining Hall before the rest of the Senior School.

Home Exeat – Lower Sixth students are allowed to spend one afternoon a week and Upper Sixth students two afternoons a week working at home if they have no lessons. Parental permission is required for this.

Lunchtime Exeat – Upper Sixth students with cars are allowed to go off-site at lunchtimes, again with parental permission, and once they have signed out.

Driving to School – Upper Sixth students are permitted to drive to school and this is extended to Lower Sixth students if there is space to park on-site.

Driving Lessons – Students are allowed to take driving lessons during the last two periods of the day, if they are free at this time.

Social Events

Termly social events are organised to encourage friendships among the students and to give them opportunities to relax. This is an essential element of being a cohesive and inclusive Sixth Form. There are pizza and quiz nights, barbeques and day trips, including a visit to Thorpe Park.





BOARDING

Boarding at Kent College is a central part of school life and we welcome boarders from all over the world as well as the UK. Our boarding house is a home away from home, with a warm, friendly and family feel.

In the Sixth Form, day students have the option to change to flexi or weekly boarding to enable them to focus on their studies and, where possible, will have their own rooms. This is also popular with students for late returning trips, matches, drama, dance and music productions and around exam times.

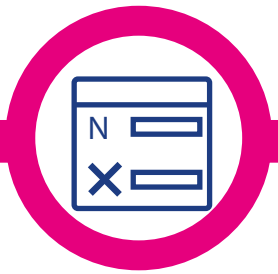
New boarding students are assigned a buddy who makes contact ahead of the start of the academic year and shows them around school during the first few weeks.

JOIN US



VISIT

Come along to our Sixth Form Information Evening to hear from the Head of Sixth Form and meet subject teachers. Book a private tour and meet the Head of Sixth Form.



APPLY

Submit an online application form along with registration fee of £150. Passport and predicted GCSE grades are required.



TASTER DAY

Observation in Sixth Form lessons and an interview with a member of the Sixth Form team.



OFFER

In making an offer we will take into consideration predicted GCSE grades, latest school report and request a reference from the current school. Candidates are required to have at least six GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, Grade 6 or above in the subjects being pursued at A Level, and Grade 7 or above in Maths and the Sciences.



INDUCTION

Once a student has accepted their place in the Sixth Form they are invited to a two-day induction programme to meet their subject teachers, familiarise themselves with Kent College and experience life as a Sixth Form student ahead of starting at Kent College.



ACCEPT

To accept an offer of a place, a signed contract and £500 deposit are required.



AWARDS

Scholarship and Exhibition awards are offered at Sixth Form entry for Academic, Art, Dance, Drama, Music and

Sport with assessments taking place on the Sixth Form Taster Day.

Each award is supported by an outstanding programme of supervision, mentoring, enhancement and extra-curricular activities, and our Scholar and Exhibition holders are expected to play an active and positive role amongst students and be ambassadors for their discipline.

Further information and the deadline to apply is published on the website.



BURSARIES AND DISCOUNTS

Support towards the payment of school fees is available through means tested bursary awards. These can only be applied for upon offer of a place. The deadline to apply is published on the website.

Where two or more siblings are attending the school at the same time, there is a 5% reduction on each child's fees.

For children of certain MOD personnel there is a 20% reduction of fees.

For children of Methodist families, funding may be available through the Methodist Bursary Scheme.

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