



WORKSOP COLLEGE

Sixth Form

POSITIVE + THOUGHTFUL
SUPPORTIVE
YET CHALLENGING





It's an exciting time to be joining our Sixth Form

We're a vibrant, supportive community, providing students with exceptional breadth of opportunity, from a broad curriculum to challenging and diverse activities beyond the classroom.

With significant investment in infrastructure, including a well-equipped and resourced Sixth Form Centre, dedicated Tutor Team and all the support required to succeed - our ethos is about nurtured aspiration, preparing students for life beyond our walls.

And from a Workshop and Lecture programme that affords networking opportunities with speakers from some of the world's greatest universities and businesses, to once-in-a-lifetime enrichment opportunities - there's a reason why we produce some of the finest alumni in the country.

Come and visit us - we're looking forward to meeting you.

Andrew Axelby
Head of Sixth Form

Our Sixth Form

At Worksop College, what matters is the individual, their aspirations, their progress, and ultimately ensuring they achieve the best possible results of which they are capable.

And as emotional intelligence and resilience become ever more important in the workplace of the future – our teaching is geared to developing the ‘whole person’, accomplishing the best possible outcome for every student.

Whatever form that success takes.



Why Sixth Form at Worksop College?

Results success

In 2019, our A level cohort achieved 100% pass rate and joined some of the best universities and organisations in the world. In 2017, over 50% of our students bound for university went to Russell Group universities, including SIX to Oxbridge.

Outstanding extra-curricular opportunities

Examples include the 'World First' Greenland Expedition and the Paris 'Your Future in Europe' Conference. Worksop College teaches young people to be resilient, adaptable and independent. We challenge students to stretch beyond what makes them comfortable.

Inspirational visiting speaker programme

We offer subject-specific lectures from world-renowned speakers - fostering the 'thinking outside the box' so valued by Higher Education and industry. Subject partnerships with specific universities give our students the edge when it comes to the all-important UCAS application.

A history of sporting excellence

We have some of the best sporting facilities in the country, with a programme that supports and develops elite athletes - and a proven success of delivering world-class sportspeople, including England cricketer Joe Root and Hockey Olympians Adam Dixon and Sam Ward.

Exciting enrichment programme

We offer students the opportunity to take an additional qualification, such as an EPQ or STEM CREST award, on a voluntary basis. We also have a range of academic societies, from MediPrep to Creative Writing.

Voluntary Action

Supporting community projects is woven into the history of our school. So whether it's helping to plant trees at a local farming scheme, or fundraising for food bank supplies, 'giving back' is an important part of the Worksop College Sixth Form experience.

“Worksop College Sixth Form not only prepares you for A-Levels; it prepares you for life”

THOMAS GOODMAN, (2013-2018)



Our Students

From master musicians to sportsmen and women, academic achievers to brilliant business minds – we produce resilient, confident and adaptable learners.

Learners that go on to achieve great things.

“Worksop College has made me confident and independent”

LAUREN SHUKER, (2015-2019)



Lauren Shuker,
Current student

I love the opportunities, especially those that prepare us for university, such as the Sixth Form lecture series. There are so many opportunities to take on a leadership role, and, as Captain of School, I've really enjoyed taking advantage of these. There are activities available to expand our horizons such as Gold DofE, which I found challenging, but hugely enjoyable.

Ultimately, Worksop College has made me much more confident and independent, and I've developed as a person as a result of the current affairs topics we cover, both inside and outside the classroom. I've become much more confident in expressing my opinion, especially during debates.

My next step is university to study History, with the hope of converting my degree to a law qualification afterwards.

My ultimate goal is to become a human rights lawyer, working for an organisation such as the United Nations, hoping to make a difference to women across the world. That's something I'm very passionate about.





**Will Harding-Terry,
2014-2019**

Currently reading Criminology at
The University of Nottingham

I enjoyed so much about my time at Worksop College. The teachers are inspiring and made learning interesting - I appreciated being treated with respect, and having the chance to share my views and opinions. I felt fortunate to have the guidance of three particular teachers who inspired me, and who were always there for me: my personal tutor and Head of Science, Miss Dalby, and my P.E teachers and Rugby coaches, Mr Baker and Mr Parkin.

The range of facilities at the College are vast, and the space that it provides suited me and enabled me to grow as a person. I made friends for life while I was at the College and the highlight of my time was Captaining the first XV, in my final year, after playing for them for three years and scoring over 100 tries.

I am also very proud I gained the academic results I needed to get into a Russell Group University – the support of my teachers was invaluable.



**Edward Nottingham,
2002 - 2007**

Currently working as a Research
Consultant for Decision Technology

After taking four A levels at Worksop College, I went on to study a BSc in Psychology at the University of Warwick, and then an MSc in Management at University College London.

My involvement in the various activities at Worksop College helped engender a confident, academic, yet self-reliant attitude. This proved invaluable as I moved from a structured school environment into the more flexible world of university education, and ultimately working life. The guest university lecture programme was excellent. Being able to engage with academics about their area of study provided a realistic experience of university ahead of time – and besides thoroughly enjoying the programme, it also provided the opportunity to stand out from the crowd by using knowledge from beyond the A level curriculum in my UCAS application.

If you're thinking about Sixth Form at Worksop College, take some time to explore what's on offer, and don't hesitate to grasp hold of opportunities that take your interest.



**Emily Sallabank,
2007 - 2009**

Currently working in Operational
Research for British Airways

I enjoyed everything about my time at Worksop College. The environment fostered by the entire school community encourages and enables students to excel in their chosen fields of interest, from academics to the arts to sports. I felt very well supported in my two years at the school, particularly when it came to exams, university applications and personal development. Socially, I loved spending time with friends and fellow pupils, both in and out of school – I made friends for life.

As well as subject-specific knowledge, academic skills and some (previously unknown!) sporting capabilities, I developed a host of other skills that have stood me in good stead for adult life.

If you are willing to fully immerse yourself into school life, work hard and make the most of the many opportunities available, going to Worksop College for Sixth Form will be an incredibly rewarding and life-changing experience.

**“The teachers are
inspiring and make
learning interesting”**

WILL HARDING-TERRY, (2014-2019)

Curriculum

With almost 30 subjects on offer, students design their own learning path based on their skills, talents and aspirations.

Students are encouraged to select subjects relevant to interests, aptitude and their career ambitions. Most students study three subjects, with the option to take an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ). This is largely self-directed, and, as well as the chance to be creative, an excellent EPQ can give students the edge when it comes to that all-important UCAS or job application.

“Prep time is built in, but you’re encouraged to organise yourself well. They’re described as ‘study periods’ not ‘free periods’ – I like that”

KASH SURESH, (2015-2017)



Teaching and Learning

Students are taught in small, focused groups across classroom and lecture spaces, including our Sixth Form Centre, with seminar rooms and well-equipped café bar.

Supported by our 40-strong team of experienced subject specialists, as well as by a personal Sixth Form tutor, students are encouraged to manage their time effectively, developing skills to take on to higher education and careers.

Subjects

Although most of the subjects we offer are at A level, we have a small, but growing number of vocational qualifications. Currently offered across Food & Nutrition, Science, Business and Sport, we have plans to introduce a broader vocational curriculum as demand grows, from both students themselves, and the industries they will eventually join.

- Applied Science - AQA Extended Certificate
- Art and Design: Photography
- Art and Design: Fine Art
- Biology
- Business
- Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Classical Civilisation
- Design & Technology
- Drama and Theatre
- Economics
- English Language
- English Literature
- Leith's Certificate in Food and Wine
- Food Science and Nutrition
- French
- Geography
- History
- Latin
- Mathematics
- Further Mathematics
- Music
- Physical Education
- BTEC National Extended Certificate in Sport
- Physics
- Psychology
- Religious Studies: Philosophy & Ethics
- Spanish



Beyond the Classroom

From music to sports, theatre performances to one of the many clubs and activities on offer, our impressive Extra-Curricular Programme is an important part of students' time at school.

Our out-of-school expeditions are designed to teach self-reliance, beginning with activities such as overnight activities in neighbouring Sherwood Forest, building to five-day camps in the Lake District or Snowdonia, or even month-long expeditions to some of the most far-flung places in the world.

An exciting after-school programme offers opportunities from Zumba to theatre, Art masterclasses to Chess Club – so there really is something for everyone. And it's not just clubs and activities, our Sixth Form has a thriving social scene, so expect House BBQs, singing competitions and the eagerly

anticipated Prom Night. Bert's Café provides the perfect backdrop for Sixth Formers to relax at lunchtimes and evenings, with a number of social gatherings and get-togethers organised across the year.

Our 2015 Operation 'World First' trip to Greenland attracted national press attention, with our pupils training for the year ahead of the ground-breaking survival expedition.

So whether it's pitching a tent, learning bush-craft skills, or improving strength in our new fitness suite - time spent away from desks is designed to build resilience and confidence.

“Everyone comes together; it's like having a second family away from home”

NICK HOBBS, (2015-2017)

Challenge and Endurance

Sponsored by the armed forces, Combined Cadet Force (CCF) provides a challenging environment that supports students as they develop self-reliance, resourcefulness and endurance skills.

Given the opportunity to be part of a Tri-Service Contingent (Army, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force), Sixth Formers concentrate on the leadership aspect of the cadet force world, where Seniors take responsibility for training younger cadets.

This has close links with the volunteering section of the DofE Gold Award Scheme, providing opportunities that support the achievement of Gold.

A nationally recognised scheme, The Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE) inspires young people with a cultural and practical programme of exciting and adventurous activities.

And as an operating authority for the Award Scheme, we're able to offer the opportunity of the Gold Award in the Sixth Form – and so our expeditions take us across the UK, from the wider reaches of the Dark Peak in Derbyshire, to The Lake District and the summits of the Welsh mountains.

Our students decide where their qualifying expedition will take place. That's where the adventure really starts.



Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

As a school that has produced some of the finest sports men and women of recent years, a focus on keeping strong, healthy and fit is top of our agenda.

With a programme that promotes 'sport-for-all', we're passionate about the benefits of keeping active and believe firmly in the link between physical and mental health.

Boasting a site that spans 330 acres and with some of the best sporting facilities in the region, keeping active is ingrained in everything we do, whether the focus is fitness-building and teamwork, or developing the nation's next generation of sporting talent.

Sport for all

- Thriving fixture programme across major sports
- Flexibility to play competitive sport, as well as focus on health and well being
- Recently refurbished Performance Gym
- Athletic development plans for elite performers
- Generous Scholarships available to pupils with sporting talent
- Network of high level players including four current GB Hockey players and International Cricketers, such as Joe Root and Samit Patel

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**EMILY SALLABANK,
(2007-2009)**





Leading by Example

Our Captaincy opportunities give young people the chance to experience what it means to lead.

Developing skills of cooperation, teamwork, negotiation and communication, our Prefect Team is responsible for representing the student body, as well as heading up and leading our many committees and working groups.

Empowering young people to make key decisions is a big part of what we stand for – using 'Pupil Voice' to determine our future direction, across everything from the curriculum to menu choices.

Opportunities

- **Chairing groups**
examples include the Eco, Pupil Voice and Events committees
- **House management**
leading a House, with responsibility for younger members
- **Events Management**
representing the school at a variety of events and workshops
- **Representing the student body**
feeding into strategic decisions



Life After School

Whether it's a degree apprenticeship, straight into business or to one of the world's finest universities – our students are well-prepared and well-informed.

Our dedicated Head of Careers provides pupils with ongoing advice and guidance from Year 9 to Sixth Form and beyond.

And it's not just what we provide at school, being a Worksop College student means access to a wealth of knowledge, advice and networking opportunities as part of the Old Worksopian (OW) Society.

With our OW network spanning the globe, our students can expect workshops, lectures and events that feature some of the most successful and influential people in higher education and across almost every industry imaginable.

Planning for your future

- University short-listing and UCAS support
- Oxbridge training and support
- Visits to local and regional businesses
- Education and business speakers
- Networking events
- Career assessments with 1:1 interviews
- Careers Fair with 75+ businesses represented
- LinkedIn and CV-building workshops

“I went on to read Biochemistry at Oxford University. Studying at Worksop College really did give me the courage to apply – I’m very grateful for that”

PHUONG PHAM (2014-2016)



Find us

We're located in 330 acres of beautiful North Nottinghamshire countryside, in a peaceful, rural location, yet incredibly accessible.

Located on the border with the National Trust's Clumber Park, we're just 15 minutes from junction 30 of the M1 and only 75 minutes from London, by train.

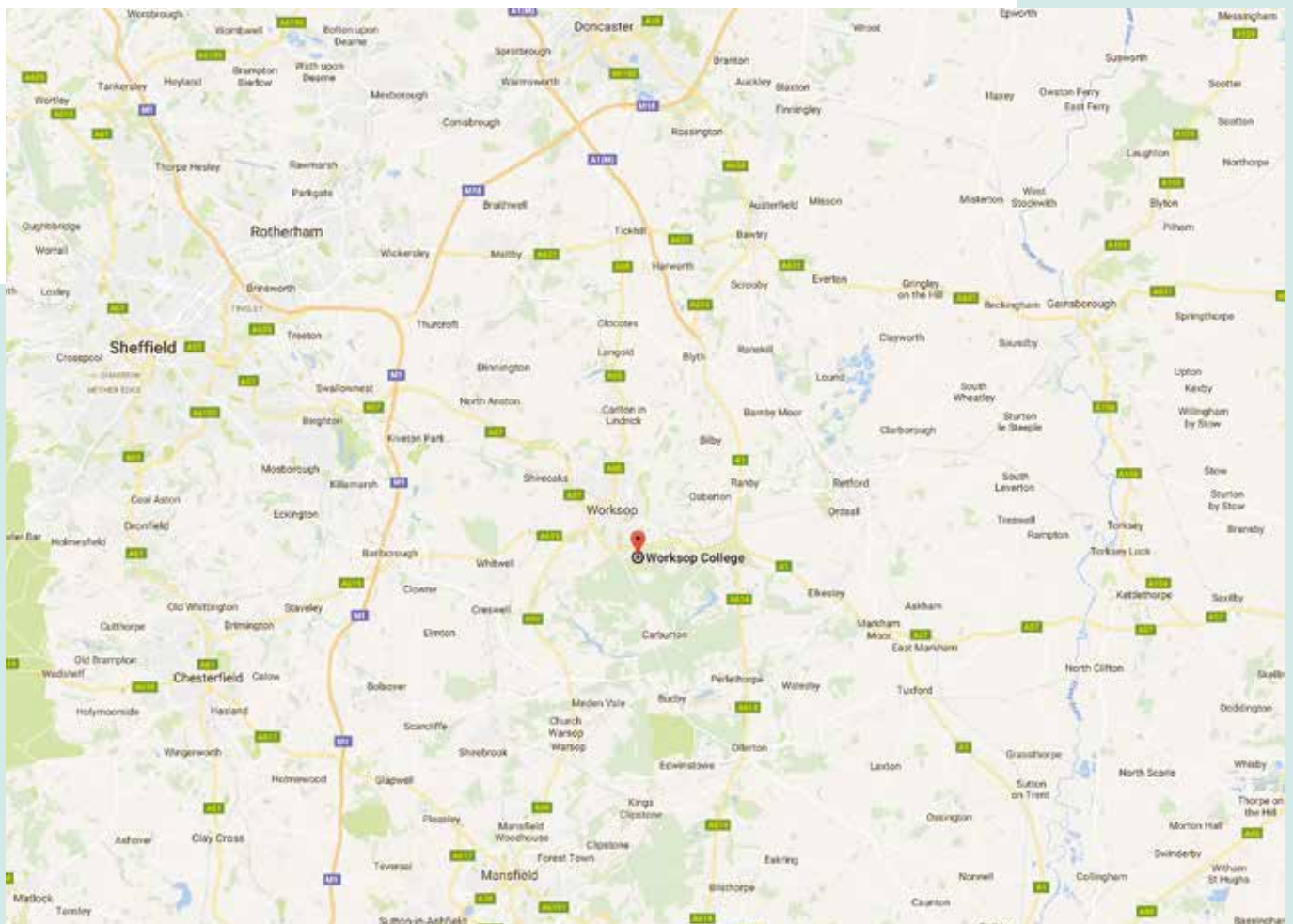
Many of our students join us every day from the towns and villages of Nottinghamshire, and we're just as accessible from the nearby cities of Sheffield, Lincoln and Doncaster. We have an impressive fleet of minibuses and plenty of parking for those Sixth Formers who choose to drive.

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Sparken Hill, Worksop, S80 3AE**

Get in touch

As well as our many open day events, we also encourage all students to come and have a private tour, so get in touch and come and find out whether Worksop College Sixth Form is the right next step for you.

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