

Fullbrook 6

Prospectus 2020



Big enough to challenge, small enough to care



About Fullbrook 6



Welcome

In our community here at Fullbrook 6, the friendly and motivated environment helps all aspiring students achieve success and develop as individuals. Whether you're new to Fullbrook 6 or continuing from the lower school, you'll soon become part of the warm, welcoming atmosphere that provides the perfect opportunity to build and develop future careers in higher education or in the world of work.



From a Fullbrook student

A close working relationship between students and teachers ensures that students enjoy their subjects as much as possible and the small teaching classes maximise the potential of each student, creating discussion based learning environments so you get to know your teachers and fellow students extremely well. The enormous amount of encouragement and enthusiasm you'll receive from the teachers and students ensures everyone gets the most out of their time here as part of the Sixth Form team.

Fullbrook 6 provide the perfect platform from which students can become more independent and develop academically, while enjoying the social and sporting side of the Sixth Form. This ranges from the classic Dodgeball Tournaments to the renowned Teacher vs Student football match and we regularly hold charity events to support local and global projects. We hold 'socials' held outside the Sixth Form organised by the Student Leadership Team with the input of students, which is all part of the great social atmosphere we have and is an integral part of the Sixth Form. Additionally, the extra-curricular trips unique to each subject, such as Berlin and Iceland, are another way to make sure your time here at Fullbrook 6 is one you won't forget!

The Student Leadership Team ensures that the students have a say in the changes made to our expanding Sixth Form, listening to the ideas from the student body. As you progress through Fullbrook 6, you will be given the opportunity to apply to be on the Leadership Team, providing you with greater responsibility and preparing you for later life.

Fullbrook 6 fuels your passion for the subjects you choose and never fails to bring the most out of the students that come here. With the new facilities around the Sixth Form, including two Study Rooms, the Media Hub, the upgraded Common Room, access to the Gym, we are more equipped than ever to facilitate the expansion of Fullbrook 6.

The essential skills which you will develop and acquire here will ensure that you have the best possible start to accomplish your future goals and aspirations. We are 'Big enough to challenge, small enough to care', and look forward to seeing you here!

Message from the Principal



As OfSTED says, "the outstanding results at Fullbrook are as a result of the consistently good teaching and excellent care, guidance and support given to every student".



Mrs K J Moore *Principal*

I am delighted that you are thinking of becoming a part of Fullbrook 6. I believe that we can offer you a bespoke experience that will not only meet your particular educational needs but also offer you opportunities to grow.

At Fullbrook 6 we provide each student with a personalised route through to success in a wide range of courses. Our students all gain their first choice of higher education places with an increasing number taking up places at Oxford, Cambridge and other prestigious universities. In recent years many Fullbrook 6 students are also embarking on degree level and higher apprenticeships in partnership with employees.

What is the secret of our success?

The subject specialist teachers know all of their students well. They will track and monitor your progress, build on your strengths and provide extra help where needed to ensure that you fulfil your potential.

The Sixth Form family provides a wide range of social, challenging and cultural activities to make sure that the two or three years you spend with us are not just rewarding academically, but also fun filled and memorable. The Student Leadership Team run many social, charity and sporting events throughout the year that all students enjoy getting involved in. You have the opportunity to build a CV full of enrichment activities to impress any university or employer.

External candidates are very welcome. We have an excellent track record for students who join in Year 12.

Why choose Fullbrook 6?

Our Facilities



Students studying at Fullbrook 6 are fortunate to have access to a wide range of facilities designed to support their independent studying and to make their social time relaxing and enjoyable within a purpose built Sixth Form block.

Fullbrook 6 has made significant and impressive progress over the last few years, resulting in increasing numbers of students choosing to study with us.

The following points cover the top 10 reasons students are choosing to study with us;

- Improving student outcomes with A Level results putting us in the top 25% of the country
- Outstanding Sixth Form teaching at Fullbrook 6. The staff are highly qualified and committed to their students as stated by Ofsted.
- We consult students and staff frequently about developing our curriculum offer
- We provide specific targeted support for our most able students to ensure that all our students achieve their full potential.
- The pastoral support is outstanding.
- There is outstanding Careers, Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEAIG) provision and support for students applying to university and for those who choose to go through the Apprenticeship, Employment of Gap Year route.
- We are continually improving facilities in the Common Room, a newly refurbished Common Room, a new seating area in the Sixth Form garden to accommodate our increased numbers and an up to date Media Hub for Film and Media Studies.
- We have two purpose built Study Rooms with access to laptops and ICT equipment for students to use whenever they are not in lessons. New storage lockers have been added this year so that personal electronic devices can be charged and stored securely.
- Staff and Student Leadership Team are continuously consulting the student voice and using their ideas to move the Sixth Form forward.
- The excellent social and extracurricular events organised by the Student Leadership Team for the Student Body.



There are two Study Rooms which have been designed for the sole use of our Sixth Form students. There is a Group Study Room with access to laptop computers and has secure storage facilities for students own personal electronic devices. There is also an individual Quiet Study Room adapted for private study and also has desktop computer facilities. In addition to the Study Rooms, students have access to the Learning Resource Centre in the main school. A dedicated Media Room also supports Media A-Level and Film Studies A-Level.



There is a Common Room for Sixth Form students to relax, socialise, eat and plan their next social event, sporting adventure or quiz night. This facility has just been refurbished with new furniture to enhance the environment. Students have access to a Café, serving a wide range of food, which can be prepared to order, and drinks, both hot and cold.



There is a good sized Sixth Form garden, exclusively for use by the Sixth Form students, which has recently been developed to provide an area for our increasing number of students to socialise in with new wooden tables purchased by the previous Student Leadership Team.

Ofsted Inspector's Report March 2017

"Expectations are high. Students behave well and value the support which they receive from staff. Students I spoke to told me that staff are always available to them. Staff are overwhelmingly positive about the school and say that they enjoy their work. The staff questionnaire answers state that you have "a clear vision and passion to drive this school to be the best it can be." Student's needs are quickly identified and supported well. Teaching is consistently strong across all years. Teachers demonstrate high expectations of their students and have a good knowledge of their strengths and weaknesses. Current students are making consistently good progress. Leaders have an ambitious vision for the school – passionate and committed, but unassuming. Your enthusiasm and determination is shared by your capable leadership and middle leader (Heads of Faculty) teams."

(Ofsted refer to all young people attending a school/ college as "pupils", so we have exchanged this term for "students" in this extract.)



Academic, cultural, sporting and social enrichment



We have a vast number of academic enrichment opportunities at Fullbrook 6 which are constantly evolving to meet the suggestions and needs of our students.

One of the most popular and successful academic enrichment opportunities is the successful Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) which has had a 100% A*-C for the last five years. This qualification, which is highly respected by universities, allows students to develop their independent research skills in an area of personal interest to them. The research title is related to their subject choices at A-Level or beyond, and they learn how to source, reference and produce an extended piece of writing with the support of a Supervisor. Students then present their research to a large non-specialist audience. We have had research titles as diverse as 'The feasibility of an invisibility cloak' to 'Who influenced Henry VIII to translate the bible into English and what were the impacts on Language and Literature?'

There are a number of cultural trips from visiting the Royal Opera House to trips to Berlin. Previously we have also visited New York, Iceland and Poland. Local industry links have also seen visits to McLaren, Surrey Satellites and many more.

Socially, students can apply for positions on the Student Leadership Team to develop leadership and management skills. The Student Leadership Team play an active role in organising and running socials which are very popular and often involve fancy dress. They also organise staff vs students Football and netball matches. Dodgeball is popular, as is RAG week where money is raised for charities selected by the students. The Christmas Hampers, prepared by tutor groups for less fortunate members of the community referred by charities, are always a special highlight at the end of the Autumn term and the competition to produce the best hamper is fierce.

Examples of other enrichment activities include:

- Duke of Edinburgh
- Work experience
- Oxford and Cambridge visits and Open Days
- Visits to university lectures
- Senior Maths Challenges
- Nuffield Summer Placements
- 'Safe Drive, Stay Alive' workshop
- Use of the fitness suite
- Disney, Paris
- UCAS application support



Post 18 Provision



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There are many decisions to be made by students once they have completed their A Level and/or BTEC Level 3 studies. At Fullbrook 6 our aim is to make sure those decisions are as informed as they can be. Options to be explored include applying to university through the UCAS process, apprenticeships, employment and gap year projects.

We run a thorough UCAS process which is overseen by our Director of 6th Form who leads on all aspects of the UCAS application and decision process. There is also a wealth of support from tutors, teaching staff and the Sixth Form team. Students in Year 12 attend a Higher Education convention at the University of Surrey and are encouraged to have informal discussions with Year 13 students about their experience of applying to university. We host a Higher Education Information Evening for parents in May and this is followed by an Oxbridge Evening for students and parents where guest speakers from Oxford and Cambridge present on the respective institutions and the application process. After the Summer exams, Year 12 students are formally introduced to the UCAS process and are provided with training on personal statements, interviews and how to support decisions about what to study and where. Our students have reported they feel prepared and supported with this important process.

We have very close links with Surrey University and the University for the Creative Arts in Farnham. Both institutions provide excellent support to our students and progression routes through to these two establishments have been identified.

For those students not considering university we have a dedicated Non UCAS Post 18 Advisor. We provide one to one expert careers advice with an accredited independent careers Advisor. Students receive a Career Action Plan which we are then able to support. We have sessions with apprenticeship professionals providing a wealth of information regarding apprenticeships in the local area. Employment opportunities are targeted at individuals we know have an interest in each particular field and students are then supported with their curriculum vitae, letters of application and any interview preparation.

We have many and varied careers talks available to students and we include careers and further education guidance through our superb tutor programme.



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