



**EWELL CASTLE
SCHOOL**

SIXTH FORM

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ABOUT US

Ewell Castle School Sixth Form is a friendly and inclusive setting which offers a wide range of subjects and co-curricular activities often found only in larger sixth forms. We have a strong academic ethos and recent results have seen our students surpassing expectation, with the majority gaining acceptance to their first-choice university. We aim to help each student find the right path, whether it be A-levels, BTECs (Level 3) or apprenticeships.

Mr Woolford is Director of Ewell Castle Sixth Form. The team monitor students' academic progress and supervise pastoral routines. They also arrange the Enrichment Programme, the development of student study skills and manage the wider social development of students.

Scholarships and bursaries are available to students studying in the Sixth Form.

SMALL TEACHING GROUPS AND VERTICAL TUTOR GROUPS

Our teaching groups are small (usually no more than ten per class), allowing us to work closely with individuals to personalise learning and progress, as well as generating momentum in discussions and seminars. Our commitment to co-education is an excellent preparation for adult life, developing social and emotional intelligence; in addition, our vertical tutor groups enable a much closer bond between Year 12 and Year 13 students.

OUR MISSION

We will inspire our students to thrive, engaging them to excel in a creative and academic environment. We will instill a growth mind-set to develop: confidence, contentment and emotional intelligence.

OUR SHARED VALUES

Central to our Sixth Form provision is the deepening of students' intellectual curiosity and our dedication to our central values: personal integrity, mutual respect, social responsibility and lifelong resilience.

DEDICATED, HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

We have a dedicated team of highly qualified teachers, tutors, educational support staff and Sixth Form leaders, who are passionate about ensuring our young people achieve their own individual success stories. Whilst our students are given more space to develop personal responsibility and resilience, their academic progress is closely monitored and intervention is provided, if required.



Mr B Woolford
Director of Sixth Form



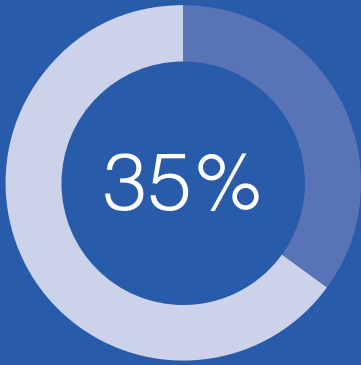
Mrs E Bonner
Assistant Director of Sixth Form

REASONS TO JOIN EWELL CASTLE SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

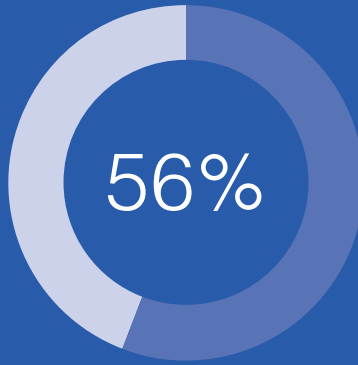
- Excellent A-level and BTEC results, which continue to improve year on year. Our students received record-breaking results in 2023, continuing our upward trend
- Small classes provide tailored learning for all students
- Brand new Sixth Form teaching and study facilities are now open in Fitzalan House in Ewell Village, further enhancing our Sixth Form offering
- Leadership opportunities available to all, for example: roles as Student Heads of School, Senior Prefect, House Captain, Student Council President, and President of the Model United Nations (MUN)
- Outstanding careers and UCAS support
- Highly dedicated and qualified staff who provide the very best teaching for their students
- Vertical tutoring whereby Years 12 and 13 are mixed in Forms, allowing older students to pass on their experience to those younger
- Dedicated Learning Support and Counselling Service
- A wide variety of co-curricular activities to choose from - including: MUN, Duke of Edinburgh, sports, music, drama and range of overseas trips
- Our powerful Enrichment Programme provides students with interesting and relevant information to help with life beyond school - topics include career and interview advice, mental and physical wellbeing and road safety. We also have distinguished guests deliver fascinating presentations on current affairs and subjects of interest
- We inspire our students to develop and excel not only academically but also in their other abilities, character and confidence



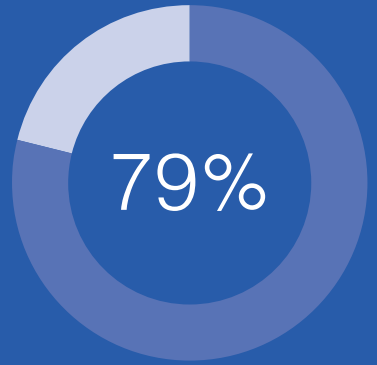
A-LEVEL RESULTS FROM 2023



of grades achieved were
A* - A



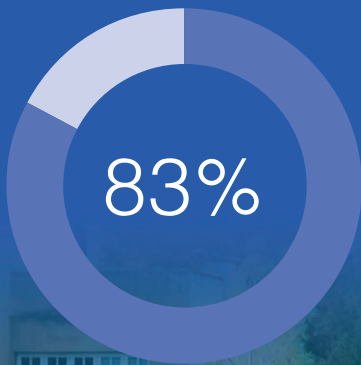
of grades achieved were
A* - B



of grades achieved were
A* - C

We had 100% pass rate in our A-level examinations.

BTEC RESULTS FROM 2023



of grades achieved were
Distinction





ABOUT OUR SIXTH FORM

CHOOSE FROM A WIDE RANGE OF COURSES

- Art and Design (Fine Art)
- Biology
- Business A-level
- Business BTEC
- Chemistry
- Classical Civilisation
- Computer Science A-level
- Design Technology - Product Design
- Drama and Theatre
- Economics
- English Literature
- French
- Geography
- History
- Mathematics
- Further Mathematics
- Music
- Music Technology
- Art & Design (Photography)
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Spanish



CURRICULUM AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Usually, students will take either three ‘two-year’ A-level courses over their two years of Sixth Form study or a mix of A-levels and BTECs.

To qualify for the Sixth Form, we would expect a student to have achieved at least five GCSEs at grades 9-5 (or equivalent), including English and Mathematics, with at least grade 6 in the subject to be taken at A-level/BTEC (or a related subject if the subject undertaken has not been previously studied). For Mathematics, the Sciences and Modern Foreign Languages, we expect a student to have achieved at least grade 7 at GCSE.

OXBRIDGE, MEDICINE & LAW PROGRAMME

We offer a bespoke programme for students wishing to apply to Oxbridge along with those wishing to study Medicine, Veterinary Science, Dentistry and Law. Those students hoping to pursue these paths have a weekly class focusing on critical thinking. This dedicated course and support for these students will also involve bespoke interview practice involving many members of staff as well as experts brought in to help them prepare.



SIXTH FORM ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Our powerful Enrichment Programme is unique to our Sixth Form and designed to assist students in developing the skills that are needed for Sixth Form study and for life afterwards, be it at university or in the world of work. A wide range of activities are available, including leadership and presentation skills, developing a professional e-network, coping at university, Model United Nations, relationship and sexual education, research and interview skills and road safety. In addition, there is a programme of outside speakers on a variety of fascinating topics as well as trips and visits.



DUKE OF EDINBURGH GOLD AWARD and CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

All Sixth Form students participate in a team-building day at the start of the academic year and will have the opportunity to undertake the Duke of Edinburgh's Silver and/or Gold Award. A range of other co-curricular clubs are available to students, such as: Politics & Debating, Music, Geography, Computing, Interfaith Group, Physics, Maths, Art, Whole School Musical, Photography and Philosophy.



EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION (EPQ)

The EPQ allows students to push themselves further and gain a full AS-level qualification (equivalent to 28 UCAS points) if they wish. The Level 3 EPQ offers the opportunity for Sixth Form students to undertake a project-based assessment in a personal area of interest which involves research and project management. Many independent skills are developed that will be invaluable



MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN)

Model United Nations (MUN) is an academic simulation of the United Nations where students play the role of delegates from different countries and attempt to solve real world issues with the policies and perspectives of their assigned country. MUN helps students to learn more about diplomacy, international relations, the principles of the UN and how it functions. Additional benefits for our Sixth Form students of attending a MUN are improving their knowledge of world affairs, confidence-building, analytical skills, diplomacy, problem-solving skills, public speaking and writing skills.



SIXTH FORM BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Every spring, our Sixth Form students embark on a hugely enjoyable month-long Business Enterprise project. The students are loaned some working 'capital' and work in teams to complete a number of business activities which includes bidding for an established business (similar to bidding for a franchise), bidding for a location or 'pitch' for their business, preparing a business case, an advertising creative and promoting their business to the rest of the Senior School. The project culminates in a frenetic morning of selling all these products (food and drink items) at an 'Enterprise Village' to fellow pupils and staff, and the winning team is selected by the judging panel who consider the following criteria; product sales, profit, creativity, presentation skills and commercial acumen. The winning team get to keep their profit, whilst the other teams have to give their profit to a selected charity.

SUPERVISED PRIVATE STUDY

We believe that Sixth Form should enable students to transition from a fully timetabled pattern of study seen in lower school to the independent work and research expected at university. All students are expected to be in school from 08:30 until 16:00. When a student is not in timetabled lessons, enrichment or games sessions, students are expected to complete supervised private study in our bespoke Sixth Form facilities in Fitzalan House. This is a time specifically designed for silent individual study, to enable students to prepare for upcoming lessons, complete set work and read widely around their subject. Students can have the opportunity to work in small study groups at the discretion of the Sixth Form team to share their ideas

Sixth Form Trips

In addition to the range of co-curricular activities and events in the Sixth Form, there is also the opportunity to take part in a number of subject or culturally based trips and tours. In the last couple of years, these have included; Japan, West Coast USA, Rome, Dubai Cricket Tour, Science/Maths trip to CERN and Geneva, UCAS focused visit to Surrey University, Geography trip to Swanage and Dorset, DT trip to Berlin and Duke of Edinburgh Gold Expedition to the Cairngorms National Park in Scotland.



Ewell Castle Sixth Form: Summary of Subject Choices & Exam Codes

AT October 2023

SUBJECT	EXAM BOARD	COURSE CODE
Art and Design (Fine Art)	AQA	7202
Biology	OCR	H420
Business BTEC - Level 3	PEARSON EDEXCEL	BYPV7
Business A-level	AQA	7132
Chemistry	OCR	H434
Classical Civilisation	OCR	H408
Computing BTEC - Level 3	PEARSON EDEXCEL	CWZT6
Computer Science A-level	OCR	H408
DT/Product Design	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9DTO
Drama and Theatre	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9DR0
Economics	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9EC0
English Literature	OCR	H472
French	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9FR0
Geography	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9GEO
History	AQA	7042
Mathematics	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9MA0
Further Mathematics	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9FM0
Music	EDUQAS	A660PA/B
Music Technology	EDEXCEL	9MT0
Art and Design (Photography)	AQA	7206
Physical Education	AQA	7582
Physics	AQA	7408
Politics	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9GP01
Psychology	AQA	7182
Religious Studies (Philosophy, Theology and Ethics)	OCR	H573
Sociology	AQA	7192
Spanish	PEARSON EDEXCEL	9SP0



SPORTS

We believe that exercise and fitness are vital to the physical and mental health of our students therefore weekly Games lessons are compulsory in the Sixth Form. Students who are identified as talented in our School focus sports (rugby, football, netball and cricket) will participate in weekly matches on Wednesday afternoons. The remaining students must choose an activity from a wide range of sports, including:

- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Circuit training
- Cricket
- Dance
- Football
- Golf
- Hockey
- Netball
- Rounders
- Rugby
- Tennis
- Strength and conditioning

ECS TENNIS ACADEMY

The ECS Tennis Team is currently ranked #2 18U Nationally and #2 15U Nationally. The Tennis Academy is a scholarship scheme taught by top tennis coach, Tom Burn, and includes high level tennis coaching with an independent school tailored curriculum. The Tennis Academy Coaching Programme is fully funded by Ewell Castle School. Whilst not entitling the tennis scholar to remission of School fees, they may still apply for the following scholarships: Art, Photography, Design and Technology, Drama, Music and Academic. The Sports Scholarship is not available to those on the Tennis Academy.

Ewell Castle School Tennis Academy offers a tennis programme with specialist training of over 5 hours each week consisting of technical work, tactics and match play as well as strength and conditioning work.

In order to apply, students must be 'County Standard' or higher and must successfully pass their trial as well as achieve our academic entry requirements (see Curriculum and entry requirements). More information is available at <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/tennis-academy/>.



ECS CRICKET ACADEMY

The ECS Cricket Academy is a scholarship scheme that has been designed to allow students to combine intensive cricket training with a Sixth Form academic education. Students have access to our on-site indoor and outdoor cricket nets as well as facilities at a local cricket club. In order to apply, students must be 'County standard' or higher and must successfully pass their trial as well as achieve our academic entry requirements (see Curriculum and entry requirements). More information is available at <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/cricket-academy/>.



PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

Performing Arts Academy students receive timetabled training in all three of the core disciplines of Dance, Drama and Music - with the option to narrow to one or two subjects for assessment. The course develops students into confident and able performers, with opportunities to experience professional performance platforms. The Performing Arts Academy course can be taken in addition to either two or three A-levels. Furthermore, students are also able to work towards the Trinity College London Arts Award, which provides 16 UCAS points. More information is available at <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/sixth-form/performing-arts-academy/>.

CAREERS AND APPRENTICESHIPS

The overwhelming majority of students move on to university after completing their Sixth Form studies. We have also had successes with students gaining degree apprenticeships with British Airways and PWC. The application process is managed by the Sixth Form Leadership Team and the Careers Advisor, with the assistance of Pastoral Tutors. All students have individual meetings with the Careers Advisor to develop a plan for their future. We are proud that most students achieve their first choice of university.

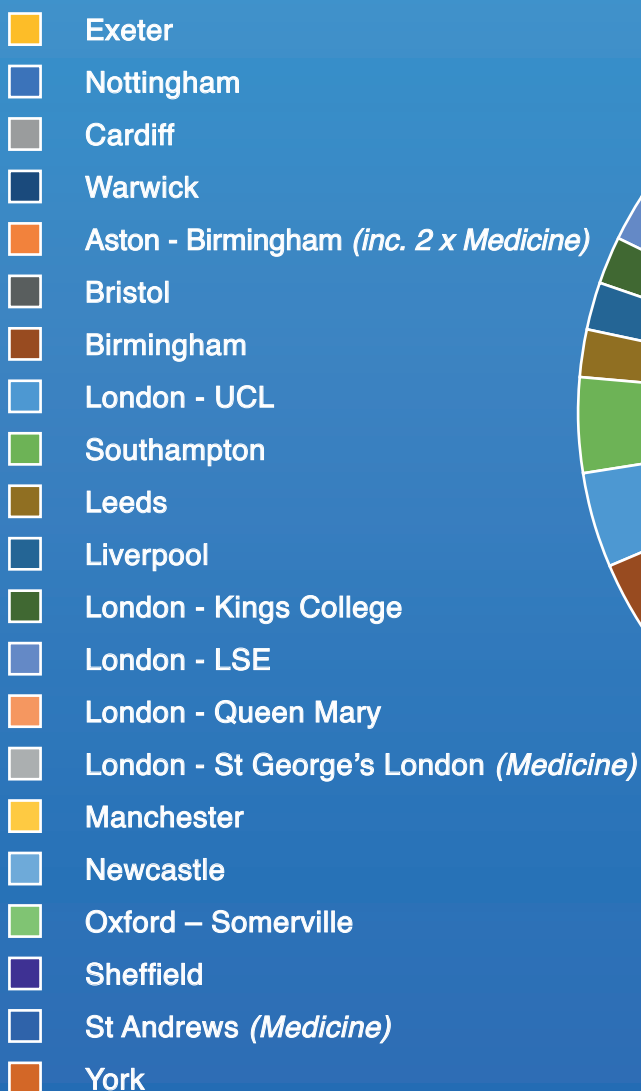
Students move on from Ewell Castle School to some of the best universities in the UK, but more importantly, they progress to the course, institution or career that is most appropriate for them as individuals.

In our current cohort, 10% are preparing for Oxbridge entrance. Over the past few years, students have gone on to study at a range of universities, including:

- Aston (*Medicine*)
- Cambridge (*Law*)
- Cardiff (*Business, Politics, Zoology & Computer Science*)
- Exeter (*Law, Zoology & Renewable Engineering*)
- Imperial College London (*Maths & Physics*)
- Keele (*Physiotherapy & Business*)
- King's College London (*Maths*)
- Loughborough (*Sport and Exercise Science*)
- Newcastle (*Spanish & Geography*)
- Nottingham (*International Politics, Music & Music Technology*)
- Oxford (*Chemistry & History*)
- Reading (*Architecture, Archeology, Business*)
- St Andrews (*Medicine*)
- St George's (*Medicine & Biomedical Studies*)
- Sussex (*Psychology & Business*)
- UCL (*Maths & Law*)
- University of Surrey (*Physics with Astrophysics*)
- Warwick (*History*)
- York (*Music*)



DESTINATIONS OF LEAVERS OVER THE LAST SIX YEARS WHO HAVE GONE ON TO STUDY AT RUSSELL GROUP UNIVERSITIES AND MEDICAL SCHOOLS



GAP YEAR AND APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

For those students who wish to take a Gap Year, there is a wealth of information available and speakers from Gap Year organisations regularly visit the Sixth Form. Equally, students who decide to enter the world of work, rather than enter Higher Education, are supported comprehensively. We also have strong ties with multi-national organisations that offer apprenticeships and in recent years, several students have secured places on the highly sought-after PWC and British Airways Apprenticeship Schemes.



Our students go on to study at a range of universities and other institutions, throughout the UK and overseas.

- Anglia Ruskin
- Arts University Bournemouth
- ACM
- Aston
- Bath
- Bath Spa
- BIMM Institute
- Birmingham
- Bournemouth
- Brighton
- Bristol
- Cardiff
- Chichester
- Coventry
- Davenport University - USA
- Essex
- Exeter
- Falmouth
- Keele
- Kent
- Leeds
- Leeds Conservatoire
- Liverpool
- Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts
- London - Brunel
- London - City
- London - King's College
- London - LSE
- London - Queen Mary
- London - Ravensbourne
- London - Roehampton
- London - Royal Holloway
- London - St George's
- London - St Mary's
- London - Trinity Laban
- London - UCL
- Loughborough
- Manchester
- Manchester Metropolitan
- Menlo College - USA
- Milligan University – USA
- Newcastle
- Northumbria
- Nottingham
- Nottingham Trent
- Oxford - Somerville
- Oxford Brookes
- Portsmouth
- Reading
- Royal Birmingham Conservatoire
- Sheffield
- Southampton
- St Andrews
- Surrey
- Sussex
- Swansea
- UCA Farnham
- University of the West of England
- Warwick
- Winchester
- Xavier University - USA
- York



WELLBEING AND SUPPORT



Support comes in many forms and from many different directions. Wellbeing support at Ewell Castle School is rated “Outstanding” and in the Sixth Form this is led by the Leadership Team and tutors.

Academic support is provided by subject teachers, Heads of Department, the Deputy Head (Academic) and tutors. The welfare, health and safety of students is at the centre of what we do and pastoral teams, ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant), School Counsellor, Learning Support Department and many others work to ensure that students are fully supported as they mature and develop into high achieving young people.

MORE ABLE, GIFTED AND TALENTED

In order to further provide for the needs of more able, gifted and talented students, subject teachers develop differentiated activities to extend and enrich their learning. Ultimately this promotes high achievement and ensures that even the most able pupils continually strive to make good progress. The Sixth Form offers a wealth of advice, helping students to map their path through university and beyond and students will also access the Oxbridge Programme.

LEARNING SUPPORT

Ewell Castle School Sixth Form pays close attention to the needs of the individual, facilitated by small class sizes. We are inclusive in our approach and those students, who would benefit from the education that Ewell Castle is able to provide, will not be denied access because of a special educational need or disability. We currently have a team of Learning Support Teachers (including the Head of Learning Support), each holding a Certificate or Diploma in SpLD, Learning Support Assistants and an autism and wellbeing mentor.

ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

Students in the Sixth Form can prepare for the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). Furthermore, individual or small group work continues, and the courses are tailored to individual needs and aptitude.





FACILITIES

Autumn 2022 saw the opening of Fitzalan House in Ewell Village which houses additional Sixth Form classrooms and a study area. Within the main Castle grounds, the Sixth Form has its own common room, study room and cafeteria area.

A wide range of sports facilities are available to students, including access to off-site clubs for hockey, cricket, rugby and gym training.

Musicians may use the facilities available in the Music Pavilion and can practise at their leisure.





THE SCHOOL DAY AND DRESS-CODE

Students are required to attend Sixth Form on weekdays from 08:25hrs to 16:00hrs; however, they may go off-site locally during lunchtimes.

The dress code consists of a black, navy or charcoal grey suit reflecting the business-like attitude and leadership that is characteristic of the Sixth Form. Personal items can be left in students' lockers during the school day.

A portrait of a young woman with long dark hair, wearing a blue school uniform jacket over a light blue shirt. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred green outdoor setting.

WHAT OUR CURRENT AND FORMER STUDENTS THINK ABOUT THE SIXTH FORM

“I joined Ewell Castle School in Year 7 and am now enjoying studying Maths, English and Psychology in the Sixth Form.

The Sixth Form has a very distinct, friendly, and warm atmosphere. The teachers make the transition from studying GCSEs to A-levels very smooth, and continuously offer extra assistance and support during lunchtimes and after school clubs. All our teachers are very approachable; building great relationships with their students and enabling us to gain the most from our lessons. Moreover, the small class sizes allow everyone to feel comfortable in asking lots of questions.

The best thing about being a member of ECS Sixth Form are the close relationships built between my current year and every member of the Sixth Form as a whole. Being able to ask the Year 13s for their advice, massively helped me prepare for the UCAS process and allowed me to imagine what it was going to look like a year on. The best advice I can give to any student joining is to utilise your peers and take

advantage of the opportunities the teachers provide as they really are beneficial for your own personal growth.

One of my favourite parts of the curriculum is the weekly Enrichment sessions in which the entire Sixth Form take part in events planned and organised by our Sixth Form leaders. We are given the opportunity to listen to guest speakers, extend our general knowledge and take part in challenges such as Model United Nations; there is always something for everyone within the Sixth Form. All these aspects contribute to helping us prepare for university and develop our critical thinking skills for life beyond.

I intend to go to university and study a joint degree in English Literature and Economics. I believe the important skills I need to embark upon this journey have been nurtured during my time in the Sixth Form, and will no doubt come in handy in the future.”

Lona, Student Head of School 2023-2024



“ECS Sixth Form is a great place to continue your education! I joined Ewell Castle School in Year 7 and joining the Sixth Form has been one of my favourite transitions within the School. I have taken on greater roles and responsibilities which has helped to create a further bond with many of my teachers.

The strong relationships that I now have with many of the staff allow me to get the most out of my lessons as they understand our strengths and weaknesses. I am currently studying Maths, Economics and DT and enjoy these subjects as they relate well to real life situations.

In addition to the academic side of my studies, I have a great passion for sport - especially rugby. Playing sports has helped me develop

strong relationships with my peers as well as build my confidence when helping lead younger years in sports. Furthermore, there are a wide range of clubs to join at the School and the fantastic Enrichment Programme for students develops many life skills, useful both now and in the future.

My advice to people joining the Sixth Form is to take part in as many activities as possible, as this helps build a unique experience based on what you want to do and get out of your time at the School. A quote I heard recently from an outgoing Sixth Former was ‘You get out, what you put in’ and I think this is spot on.”

*Oliver Folley-Marsh,
Student Head of School 2023-2024*



“Prior to joining Ewell Castle School Sixth Form, I attended Old Palace of John Whitgift School. As a new student in the Sixth Form, I have enjoyed a smooth transition from secondary to college education. Both existing students and teachers have made all the new students feel welcome and I found the Sixth Form to be an exciting and cheerful environment.

I am studying Economics, History and Politics for A-level, along with the EPQ, all of which I thoroughly enjoy. We have two teachers per subject, which results in a wide breadth of subject knowledge and detail. I previously studied History at GCSE, therefore Economics and Politics were new to me; however, the subject teachers have catered for this and provide extra assistance if required.

I enjoy a variety of co-curricular activities at the Sixth Form. I am a member of the Waffles and Pancakes Club, where we discuss political issues on a weekly basis. I also co-chair the Mock Trials, which take place during Enrichment. In addition, I participate in the Young Reporters’ competition, where I submit and report on a monthly basis about my local area or a topic that interests me.

My advice to new students joining Ewell Castle School Sixth Form is to be open-minded; there is so much on offer and it is catered to your individual needs. The Sixth Form is also a place to explore new opportunities, whilst providing an excellent, high standard of education. To all new arrivals, I would say ‘be yourself’ as the Sixth Form will greet you with open arms and help you become the best version you can be - both academically and personally.

My plan after Sixth Form is to study Law and then become a Culprit Lawyer. I also intend to work on social injustice cases in the Criminal Law sector. I’m aiming to read Law at Cambridge University and the Sixth Form Team is assisting me with this by providing Oxbridge Classes once a week. I aspire to become involved in humanitarian work as I feel very strongly about bettering the lives of people who have not been afforded the same opportunities as myself or simply do not know how to access the opportunities available.”

Ashyre-Mae



“I joined Ewell Castle School in Year 7 and have continued through to Sixth Form. I have really enjoyed moving into the Sixth Form as I have taken on greater responsibility and freedom, making me feel more independent and trusted around the School. Moving into the Sixth Form has taught me many useful skills which I will need for the next steps of my life and beyond.

I am currently studying Economics, Psychology and Physical Education. I enjoy studying these subjects as they are based on real life situations and how people react to events. All the courses have a practical nature to them, making the subjects feel vibrant and fun to learn.

I currently participate in sports-based co-curricular clubs and activities. I also play football for Raynes Park and cricket for Esher Cricket Club. I host and run a podcast in the Sixth Form with a fellow student, called the ECS Experience, where we ask students and teachers to tell us about their interesting life experiences and stories.

For those joining Ewell Castle Sixth Form, I would recommend participating in as many activities as possible and to organise at least one co-curricular activity or club as this will help make your experience at the Sixth Form unique and more exciting.”

Samraj, Head Boy 2021-2022



“I have been at Ewell Castle School since Year 10. I am studying Business, Geography, and English Literature for A-level, as well as an EPQ, Grade VI flute, and I play on the netball team. I enjoy the Sixth Form because of the incredible amount of support provided by teachers and the wide range of co-curricular activities available.

Every course is taught by teachers who are passionate about their subject; encouraging us to debate topics and hold open discussions. They do their utmost to ensure we achieve the best grades possible.

A piece of advice I would offer to any new student joining the Sixth Form is to take advantage of every opportunity and not be afraid of stepping out of your comfort zone!

After Sixth Form, I intend to go to university and study either Human Geography or Business, and see where that leads me in terms of my career.”

Lucy



“I study Maths, Geography and Music and also have the privilege of being Captain of the School’s Tennis Academy. In addition, I play the drums and receive drumming tuition at School which assists the performance side of my Music course.

Outside of the classroom, I enjoy the weekly co-curricular activities that the Sixth Form encourage us to participate in with other students such as the Great Student Bake Off and Curry Night, as it allows me to interact with the School community.

Despite only being at the School for a term, I already feel that the teachers are preparing me for life after Ewell Castle. After Sixth Form, I aim to study at university on a sports scholarship where I can continue to compete at a high level.

If I were to give advice to new students, it would be to participate in co-curricular activities that they enjoy, and to make the most of them.”

Adeoluwa



“I have been at Ewell Castle for 11 years, having started in Year 3. In the Sixth Form, I am enjoying studying Music Technology and Design Technology A-levels and Business BTEC. I have particularly grown to love technical drama, which is an enrichment club I now lead for younger pupils in the School.

My first impression of the Sixth Form was how friendly all the staff were and how the great rapport with them allowed me to further build those relationships. This really shows in the classroom as they ensure you get the most out of lessons and you feel that the teacher really understands you. I can assure you the Upper Sixth students will always be friendly and welcoming to the Year 12s, as they all remember what it was like when they first started!

My advice for anyone joining the Sixth Form is that this is ‘your Sixth Form experience’,

therefore it will be unique - in a good way. The friendships and relationships you build will create a stronger sense of enjoyment. The experiences we are given during our Enrichment Programme are very impressive, ranging from the skills we gain in the Model United Nations, though to the speeches and Careers Carousel - there really is something for everyone in the Sixth Form.

I’m not going to say what my favourite subject is because due to the expertise of the staff, all of my subjects are so unique and enjoyable. Everyone in the Sixth Form has the same goal; for all students to achieve the best possible result. This all contributes to my main objective: when I finish at Ewell Castle at the end of this year, I am hoping to pursue an Apprenticeship in Aerospace Engineering.”

Ben, Head Boy 2022-2023



“I joined Ewell Castle School (ECS) Sixth Form at the beginning of Year 12, having moved from Nonsuch High School. I am currently studying Maths, English, Psychology and Business studies at A-level and hope to study Economics at university.

When I joined ECS Sixth Form, I immediately felt welcomed by both the existing pupils and staff and instantly felt the School’s warm and friendly atmosphere. The teachers made the transition from studying GCSEs to A-levels very smooth and constantly offered extra help and support if we were ever feeling overwhelmed with our new studying pattern. All the teachers were friendly and approachable and knowing that I had this extra assistance made me feel confident transitioning into this new stage of my life. The small classes ensured that my teachers knew me on a more personal level, meaning that I always felt comfortable explaining any worries or concerns I had with my schoolwork.

The best thing about being a member of ECS Sixth Form is the close relationships I have built with both my current year and the Sixth Form as a whole. Being able to receive advice from the Year 13s last year, prepared me for the

year ahead and I gained insight on what school life would look like a year on. One piece of advice I would give to anyone joining is to get to know all your peers and take advantage of the opportunities that we are very fortunate to have available to us.

One of my favourite subjects are the weekly Enrichment classes which our Sixth Form are lucky enough to participate in, all of which are meticulously planned and organised by our Heads of Sixth Form and Careers Advisor. We are given the opportunity to listen to guest speakers, extend our general knowledge and take part in challenges, all of which contribute to improving our critical thinking and prepare us for life beyond.

The ECS Sixth Form has given me so many opportunities, such as running for and being chosen as Head Girl, achieving my Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award and playing in the School’s netball team. These have all helped me develop key skills and allowed me to integrate with other years in the School.”

Riona, Head Girl 2022-2023

WHAT OUR INSPECTION REPORTS SAY ABOUT US

- 'Principles and values are actively promoted which facilitate the personal development of pupils as responsible, tolerant, law-abiding citizens.'
- 'The teaching enables pupils to make good progress, encompasses effective behaviour management and is supported by suitable resources.'

*Independent Schools Inspectorate –
September 2022*

- 'Pupils possess entirely positive attitudes to learning, enjoy working collaboratively, and support and celebrate each other's achievements.'
- 'Pupils display excellent self-confidence, resilience and a commitment to improve their learning and performance in readiness for the next stage of their lives.'
- 'Pupils' respect for others and for different cultures is excellent.'
- 'Pupils demonstrate a genuine involvement in monitoring their own progress, always seeking to extend it further, helped in this by the School's very good progress and attainment tracking procedures.'

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HOW TO FIND OUT MORE AND APPLY

- We have a wide selection of informative videos that you can watch and learn more about Ewell Castle School Sixth Form: go to <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/admissions/virtual-tours>.
- We hold regular Open Days: go to <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/admissions/attend-an-open-event/> to view upcoming dates and book a space.
- For more information and to download application forms: go to <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/admissions/how-to-apply>.
- Alternatively, email our Admissions Team on admissions@ewellcastle.co.uk or telephone **020 8394 3576** and they will be very happy to help.
- Prospective Sixth Form candidates are interviewed by the Principal or the Head of Sixth Form. Sixth Form placements are conditional upon the required GCSE (or equivalent) grades being achieved.

SIXTH FORM SCHOLARSHIPS

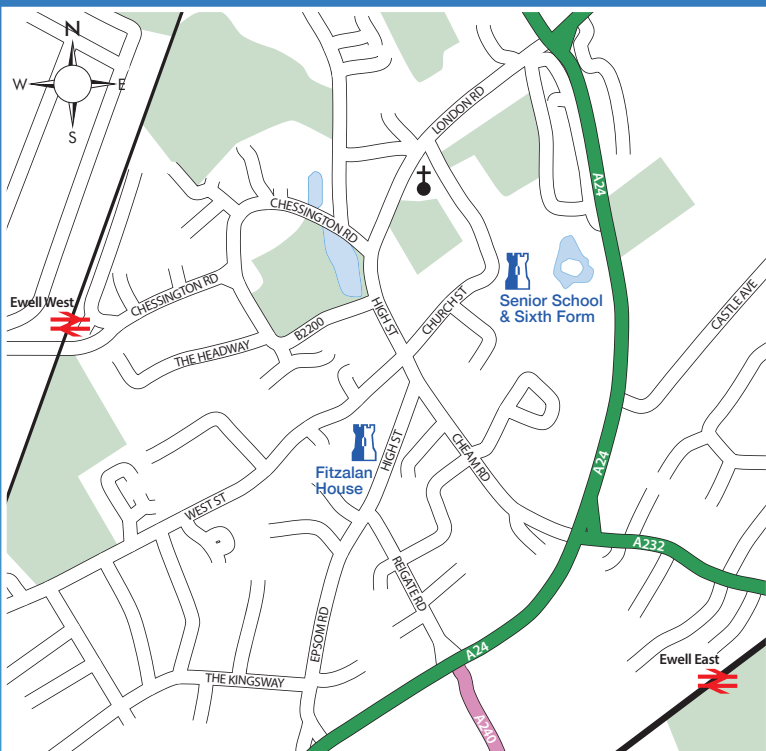
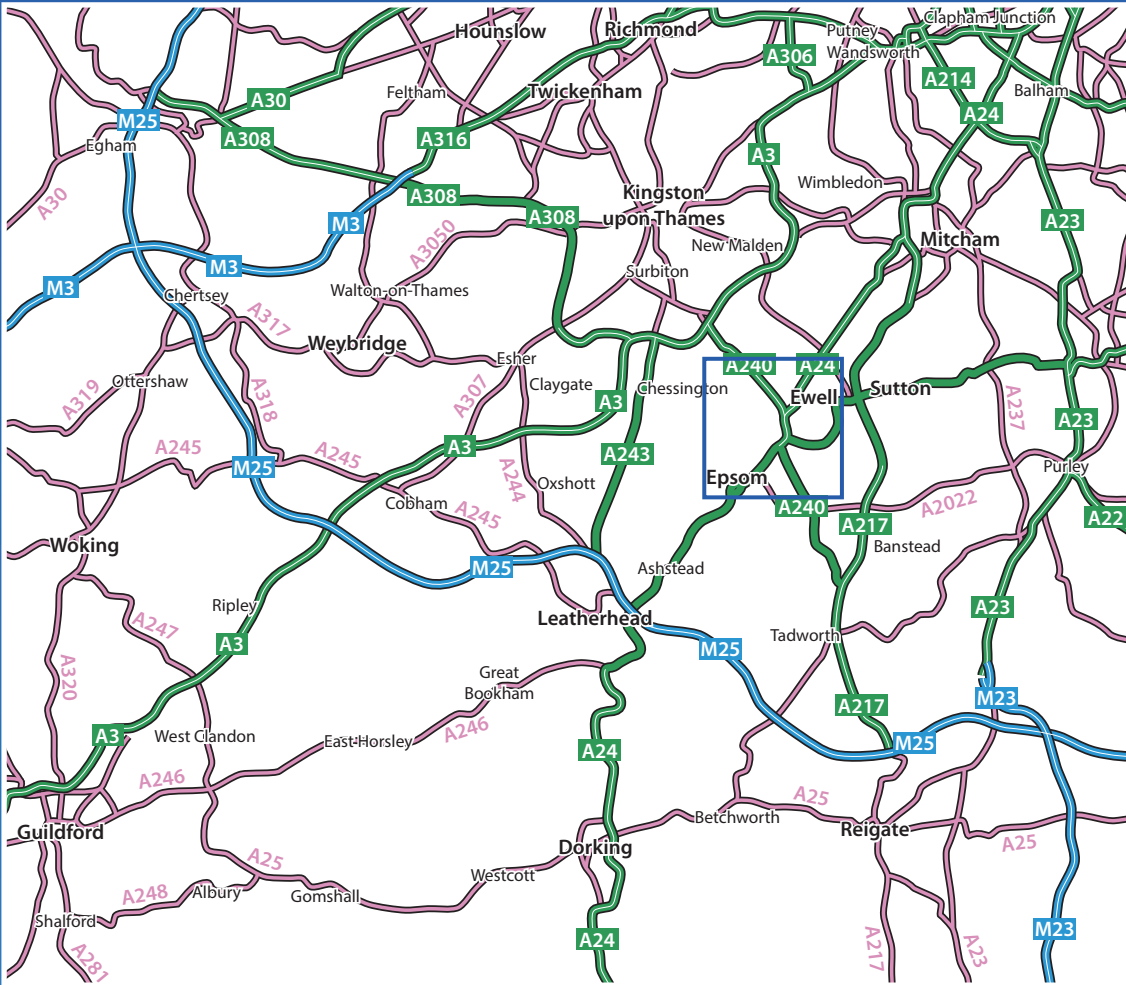
All pupils wishing to be considered for a Sixth Form academic scholarship must complete the relevant scholarship application form, which must accompany an application to join the School and the registration fee (external applicants only). Sixth Form applicants will sit two subject papers of their choice. Please note that scholarships awarded will relate to subject choices at A-level and BTEC.

SIXTH FORM BURSARIES

Bursaries are available for pupils in the Sixth Form, as part of the School's commitment to Public Benefit. Ewell Castle School seeks to offer financial support with fees for as many families as possible, by following Charity Commission advice and providing remission for fees of under 50% (including any scholarship awards) except in exceptional circumstances. The bursary award is at the discretion of the Governors and will be dependent on the funds available to the School and the demand in any particular year. Students will need to satisfy academic entry requirements to be considered for such an award.

For more information on scholarships and bursaries and application dates, go to <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/admissions/scholarships-and-bursaries/>.

HOW TO FIND US



Ewell Castle School and Sixth Form nestles in the beautiful grounds of Ewell Castle School and in the conservation area of Ewell Village, Surrey. Close to bus and train links (located between two mainline train stations), the Sixth Form is easily accessible within Surrey and South West London.

For more information, go to <https://www.ewellcastle.co.uk/contact-us/how-to-find-us/>

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