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Gosfield School

Sixth Form Prospectus 2021-22

A co-educational independent through school

Nursery - Prep - Senior - Sixth Form

Grow, achieve and inspire!

Mr Rod Jackson

Principal of
Gosfield School

Mr. Jackson became Principal of Gosfield School in September 2021. He has a wealth of experience, having spent more than 30 years working in independent schools in Africa, Australia and the United Kingdom. He is a passionate promoter of an entirely holistic approach to education in which a rigorous approach to academic education, an outstanding programme of extracurricular opportunities alongside excellent pastoral care and personal development combine to create a world class educational experience for each child. Mr. Jackson believes that it is essential not only that we educate our students to be global citizens but that we ensure they have the skills and the desire to change the world for the better, as future leaders.

Before joining Gosfield, Mr. Jackson served as Head of The International Community School in Marylebone and prior to that he was Head of Secondary at The King Alfred School in Hampstead, earlier leadership roles include Head of Classics at Cranleigh School and Senior Housemaster at Aldenham School. Mr. Jackson holds a BA [Hons] degree in Classics from the University of Adelaide and a MEd from the University of Cambridge.



Gosfield School Sixth Form is a special place to study during the last two years of your school life.

With just 40 places available, it is big enough to ensure you have a full Sixth Form experience, but small enough to ensure you receive the academic and pastoral support you need to achieve your goals at this crucial time. Most importantly, our students consistently achieve their target grades for the universities and degree courses of their choice.

A Levels are a partnership

We work in partnership with you to achieve the academic results you need as well as ensuring that we help you develop critical life skills and experiences to prepare you for the adult world.

Our teaching staff are passionate about what they do, they enjoy their areas of subject specialisation and they will share their enthusiasm with you.

Important dates for 2022 Sixth Form entry

Here are some useful dates for your diary. Booking for Taster Days is essential as places are limited.

Open Evening

Date: Thursday 14th October 2021
Time: 5.15pm to 7.30pm

Taster Day (Internal students)

Date: Monday 15th November 2021
Time: 8.45am to 3.30pm

Application Deadline

Date: Friday 26th November 2021

Places Offered Date

Date: w/c 10th December 2021

*If you wish to apply outside these deadlines please contact our Head of Admissions on 01787 474 040

At a glance

- ◆ A history of excellent A Level results
- ◆ Consistent achievement of results needed for first choice of university places
- ◆ Small class sizes
- ◆ Dedicated sixth form centre
- ◆ Leadership opportunities
- ◆ A tailored extra-curricular programme

Academic life in Sixth Form

As a Sixth Form student you are given a greater level of freedom to plan your studies, work independently, manage your time and stretch yourself academically. For some students this can be a challenging time, but we will fully support you in making this next step in your learning journey.

Small Class Sizes

Our small class sizes create the perfect learning environment for our students. The intimate groups enable full participation, giving students the confidence to express their views openly and to debate constructively. This is excellent preparation for university lectures and seminars where active participation is expected.

A dedicated Sixth Form Centre

To support you in working independently you will be able to enjoy our dedicated Sixth Form Centre which includes quiet study rooms, a spacious lounge and kitchen area.

Social Events

Our students benefit from an enriching programme of social events, from dinner parties to Spring Dances; all of which are planned by the Sixth Formers themselves.

Admissions Process

Prospective students are invited to attend our Sixth Form Open Evening and Taster Day. Following these, candidates should apply using the Sixth Form Application Pack ensuring they submit by the deadline. Informal interviews for applicants will take place in January, including Scholarship interviews.

Places in our Sixth Form, or places on a waiting list for Sixth Form, are provisionally offered subject to appropriate attainment at GCSE; typically applicants would be expected to attain 5 good GCSE grades, preferably with 6 and above in the subjects they would like to study at A Level (or closely related subjects). Individual requirements will always be considered

Bursaries

A Bursary Application Form is to be downloaded and sent to the Head of Admissions in the first instance: admissions@gosfieldschool.org.uk. Please visit gosfieldschool.org.uk/bursaries-and-scholarships

The Performing Arts Academy programme

The Academy is led by Nick Bell, our Head of Performing Arts. For music and dance, teachers lead individual lessons for all levels of ability from beginners to advanced. Whilst focused on performing arts, our programmes teach skills that will enable our pupils to access extensive opportunities now and in later life and is perfectly aligned with our School's ethos. Our three performing arts tiers ensure that everyone participates and benefits. From that foundation, the more able are encouraged to extend their range of skills and the most able mentored through their elite development, mind-set and performance. In 2022, the academy will move to a purpose built practice and performance facility currently under construction.

Specialist Subject Scholarships

Sports

These are awarded to pupils joining the School in Years 7-12 and occasionally to exceptional Prep pupils and normally represent from 10% remission on fees. Candidates are expected to show exceptional promise in at least one sport and have an established record of achievement in one of Gosfield School's principal sports. Candidates will be required to take part in drills and game situations to show evidence of their positional and tactical awareness as well as skill, agility and fitness level. Records of achievement and school recommendations will be taken into consideration. All Sports Scholars are expected to be fully committed to the School's sports programme.

Academic

The School has academies for Cricket and Performing Arts, encompassing Music, Drama and Dance. Scholarships for our academies are more widely available and are primarily assessment based with fees remission available from 10%. Ability to fully access our academic curriculum, parents' financial means and availability of spaces in year groups will also be considered when setting the offer level of fees remission.

Cricket Academy

These are awarded to pupils joining the School in Prep and Senior and can represent from 10% remission on fees for exceptional candidates meeting all of our set criteria. Candidates are expected to show exceptional promise in cricket and have an established record of achievement at school and club levels. Candidates will be required to take part in monitored net sessions to show evidence of their ability as well as skill, agility and fitness level. Records of achievement and school and club recommendations will be taken into consideration. Candidates will be interviewed by the Principal and base line academic assessment will also be undertaken. All Cricket Scholars are expected to be fully committed to the School's cricket programme, putting school matches ahead of club matches. Scholarship days for our Cricket Academy take place throughout the year and details of the next scholarship day can be found on our website.

Providing the right balance to achieve the best result

We are privileged to have the most outstanding facilities in our 100 acre parkland setting. Facilities include a Sports Hall, an all-weather sports surface and a cricket pitch and we offer a variety of orienteering and camp craft activities.

Pastoral support

The personal and social welfare of each of our students is of paramount importance at Gosfield and our attention to pastoral care extends throughout Sixth Form life.

We have a dedicated Sixth Form pastoral team. With average tutor group sizes of about 15, staff develop excellent relationships with all their tutees and provide them with highly personalised advice and pastoral care.

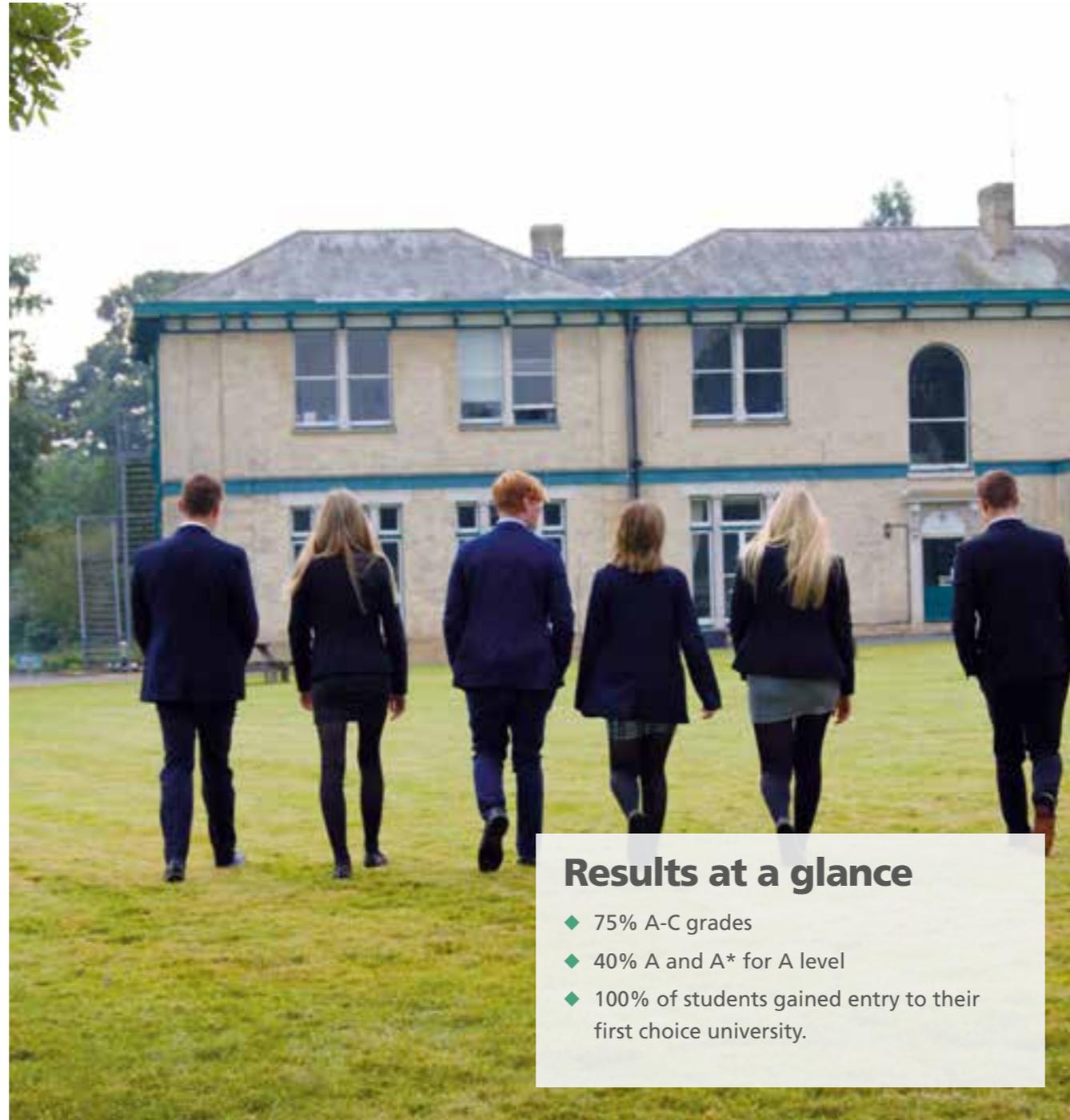
Extra curricular

We have an extremely active social and extra-curricular programme. Throughout the year students are required to help to organise charity events, such as the 24 hour Gosfield School Indoor Football Marathon and the Senior Prom. Students are also encouraged to volunteer to assist with extra-curricular activities and sports fixtures for our younger pupils. We offer a range of extra-curricular activities which are tailored to Years 12 and 13 including Food Hygiene, First Aid and the Lake Experience. All Sixth Form students are ambassadors for the school, as Senior Prefects or House Captains and acting as role models for our younger pupils.

There are also opportunities for students to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh at Bronze, Silver and Gold level.

We believe strongly in a whole school ethos and many Sixth Form students choose to assist our younger Prep school pupils with reading and Forest School.

We encourage our Year 12 students to participate in Work Experience in the summer term, following their examinations.



Results at a glance

- ◆ 75% A-C grades
- ◆ 40% A and A* for A level
- ◆ 100% of students gained entry to their first choice university.

Mrs Charlotte Perella

Head of Sixth Form

Charlotte studied English and American Literature at Kent University and was awarded QTS in July 2009. She has since taught English Language and Literature from KS3 through to A level at a variety of schools across Essex. Charlotte joined Gosfield as Head of Sixth Form in September 2019 and has thoroughly enjoyed her role in shaping our Sixth Form Centre into the thriving community of students that exists today.



Uniform requirements

Tailored business attire: trouser suits or dresses and skirts just above the knee or longer with a jacket for girls; suits and ties for boys. Hair must be kept smart; off the collar for boys. Boys may have well maintained facial hair or be clean shaven and girls should wear a minimal amount of make up. Girls must wear flat, low or medium heeled shoes only; high heels are not allowed. Boys' shoes should be smart and always clean and polished.

Contact us

If you have any questions, would like to book a private tour or to come and spend the day with us please contact our School Development Officer.



Planning for the future

By the time students reach 17 and 18 years old they become much clearer about their plans after Sixth Form with some choosing to go on to university and others deciding to embark upon their careers or apprenticeships. Whichever route our students choose they are equipped with the strongest subject combinations and tutored to succeed. Our previous Head Boy and Head Girl provide two perfect examples of successfully moving onto their chosen fields.

Throughout their time at Gosfield, our students are prepared for life after A level study. Whatever their chosen path, our staff assist every step of the way. From dedicated Life Skills lessons on skills such as rewiring a plug and ironing a shirt, through to one-to-one UCAS and careers advice; we will help you get there.

Subjects offered

We will aim to offer any subject for which there is sufficient demand. You have free choice of three or four subjects at AS Level or A Level.

Subject Offered	Exam Board
Art & Design	Edexcel
Biology	OCR
Classics/Civilization*	AQA
Chemistry	OCR
Design and Technology	AQA
Economics	Edexcel
English Literature	Edexcel
Food Technology	Edexcel
French	AQA
Geography	Edexcel
History	Edexcel
Mathematics and Core Maths	Edexcel
Music	Edexcel
Physical Education	AQA
Physics	OCR
Psychology	AQA
Sociology	AQA
Spanish	AQA
Theatre Studies	OCR

*Subject to availability, new subjects may be available next year

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