

Subject Specific Entry Criteria

2024



A LEVEL SUBJECT	Minimum GCSE grades required	
	Where subject studied at GCSE	Alternative where subject not studied at GCSE
Art – Fine Art	Grade 6 in Art or Textiles	Acceptance through a portfolio at the discretion of the Head of Department
Art - Textiles		
Biology	Grade 6 in Biology, Grade 6 in Maths and Grade 5 in English Language*	Grade 6-6 in Combined Science, Grade 6 in Maths and Grade 5 in English Language*
Business	Grade 6 in Business	Grade 6 in English Language and Maths
Chemistry	Grade 6 in Chemistry, Grade 6 in Maths and Grade 5 in English Language*	Grade 6-6 in Combined Science, Grade 6 in Maths and Grade 5 in English Language*
Computer Science	Grade 6 in Computer Science	At the discretion of the Head of Department
Drama	Grade 5 in Drama	Grade 5 in English Language and at the discretion of the Head of Department
Economics	Grade 6 in Economics and Grade 6 in English Language and Maths.	Grade 6 in English Language and Maths
English Literature	Grade 6 in English Literature and Language	
French	Grade 6 in French	
Geography	Grade 6 in Geography	Grade 6 in English Language and Maths
History	Grade 6 in History	Grade 6 in English Language
Maths	Grade 7 in Maths	
Further Maths	Grade 8 in Maths	
Music	Grade 6 in Music and the ability to perform Grade 5+	At the discretion of the Head of Department
Philosophy & Ethics	Grade 6 in RE (full course)	Grade 6 in English Language
Physical Education	Grade 6 in PE and suitable strength in ONE sport*	Grade 6 in ONE Science and English Language and suitable strength in ONE sport*
Physics	Grade 6 in Physics, Grade 7 in Maths and Grade 6 in English Language*	Grade 6-6 in Combined Science, Grade 7 in Maths and Grade 6 in English Language*
Design & Technology	Grade 6 in Design & Technology	At the discretion of the Head of Department
Psychology	Grade 6 in Psychology	Grade 6 in Science, English Language and Maths
Sociology	Grade 6 in Sociology	Grade 6 in English Language
Spanish	Grade 6 in Spanish	

*See subject information page in our Post-16 prospectus for further guidance / speak to Head of Department

BTEC/DIPLOMA SUBJECT	Minimum GCSE grades required
BTEC Business Diploma	Grade 4 in Maths and English Language. It is not a requirement to have studied Business Studies GCSE as the course assumes no prior knowledge
BTEC Business Foundation Diploma	
BTEC Health & Social Care Extended Certificate	Grade 4 in English Language. It is not a requirement to have studied Level 2 BTEC Health and Social Care
BTEC IT Extended Certificate	Grade 4 in Maths and English Language
Food Science & Nutrition Diploma	Grade 5 in Design Technology OR Food Preparation & Nutrition OR Science

Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate (IT/ Health & Social Care) and Food Science Diploma are equal to a single A level programme. In Business, BTEC Foundation Diploma is equal to 1.5 A levels and BTEC Diploma is equal to 2 A levels.

CONSORTIUM SUBJECTS

Please check the entry requirements carefully for subjects offered at Sir John Lawes, Katherine Warrington, and St George's schools. This information is available in our Post-16 Prospectus.

GCSE points score for BTEC:	P1	M1	D1	P2	M2	D2	D*2
BTEC IT and BTEC Health & Social Care	1.25	2	3	4	5.5	7	8.5