



WYMONDHAM HIGH SIXTH FORM

OVER 31 A LEVEL & VOCATIONAL COURSES ON OFFER

• Ofsted "Outstanding" • Top 10% provider nationally

9<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: Wymondham High School Sixth Form

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Sixth Form Team at Wymondham High School. I am Claire Preston, the Director of Sixth Form and I lead a fantastic team including Mr Barny Pearce (Head of Pastoral Support & University routes, and Head of Year 13), Mr Chris Sandall (Head of Study Programmes, Non-University routes and Head of Year 12), Mrs Sue Hogg and Mrs Amy Gill, who both support the Sixth Form with their expert administration.

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### Meet the Sixth Form Team:

**Mrs Claire Preston**-Director of Sixth Form  
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WYMONDHAM HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

inspiring excellence

Our vision is to develop happy and successful people who accept responsibility, demonstrate determination and act with humility

You will notice that I have included our email addresses and extension phone numbers as if you have any queries at any point about life in the Sixth Form, I would welcome you to contact us.

We would like to invite you to our Sixth Form Open Evening on **Tuesday 8th October from 5.30pm**, where you will be able to speak to subject specialists about the 30 different courses we offer at A Level and hear first-hand what life in our Sixth Form is like from the current Sixth Form students. More details regarding our Open Evening will follow.

We are also planning to hold tours during the school day from **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October-Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October** so you can experience the Sixth Form in action and see the fantastic facilities and opportunities we offer our Sixth Form students. If these dates are not convenient, please do contact me and we will arrange an alternative visit. Again, we will provide more details on how to book your tour later this month.

We are incredibly proud of our Sixth Form. We have a strong tradition of outstanding results. Student performance in the sciences including both traditional science courses, Computing and our social sciences such as Sociology and

Economics was particularly strong. Arts also perform consistently well, with Fine Art, Music and Drama achieving impressive results. Through a specific programme of support, we regularly enable between 5-10 students to secure places at Oxbridge or to undertake medicine/veterinary medicine degrees. These results are achieved through determination from all and place us amongst the very highest performing schools in Norfolk in terms of attainment – and the top 12% of schools nationally in terms of progress over the last 3 years. This is something about which we are very proud, but that we do not take for granted.

Our recent Ofsted report recognised these achievements and graded our Sixth Form as ‘Outstanding’. The inspectors commented that student progress has been significantly above average for the last three years; teaching in the Sixth Form is outstanding; and teachers’ extensive subject knowledge, high level of questioning and strong individual support for students has a significant impact on their progress.

The strengths of our Sixth Form lie not just in excellent grades, but in the combination of academic excellence and pastoral support offered. As the Sixth Form Team we want to create an exceptionally caring environment where the students flourish. Students commented to the Ofsted Inspectors that all staff at Wymondham High want students to be ‘well-rounded individuals with high levels of skills and vast range of experiences’, and Inspectors said ‘students are very positive about the high level of support and care that they receive from the Sixth Form team’.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to meeting you on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

Kind regards

Claire Preston

Director of Sixth Form

Celebrating our  
**OUTSTANDING**  
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grading together at  
Wymondham  
High Sixth  
Form!

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# Save the Date!

The Sixth Form Team is looking forward to welcoming you to our **Open Evening** on **8<sup>th</sup> October 2019**. This is a fantastic opportunity to talk to our teaching staff and students about the 30 different Level 3 courses we offer as well as looking around our newly designed Sixth Form areas. We cannot wait to meet you to talk about how we can support **your** future.

**What the Ofsted Inspectors said about our Sixth Form:**

## ‘OUTSTANDING’

- Students’ overall progress has been significantly above average for the last three years.
- Teaching in the Sixth Form is outstanding.
- Teachers’ extensive subject knowledge, high-level questioning skills and strong individual support for students have a significant impact on their progress.
- Study programmes are highly individualised.
- Students feel very well supported to move to either education, employment or training. A student commented, ‘Staff want us to be rounded candidates and individuals.’
- Students are very positive about the high level of support and care that they receive from the Sixth Form team. ”

Contact the Director of Sixth Form with any queries or questions.  
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