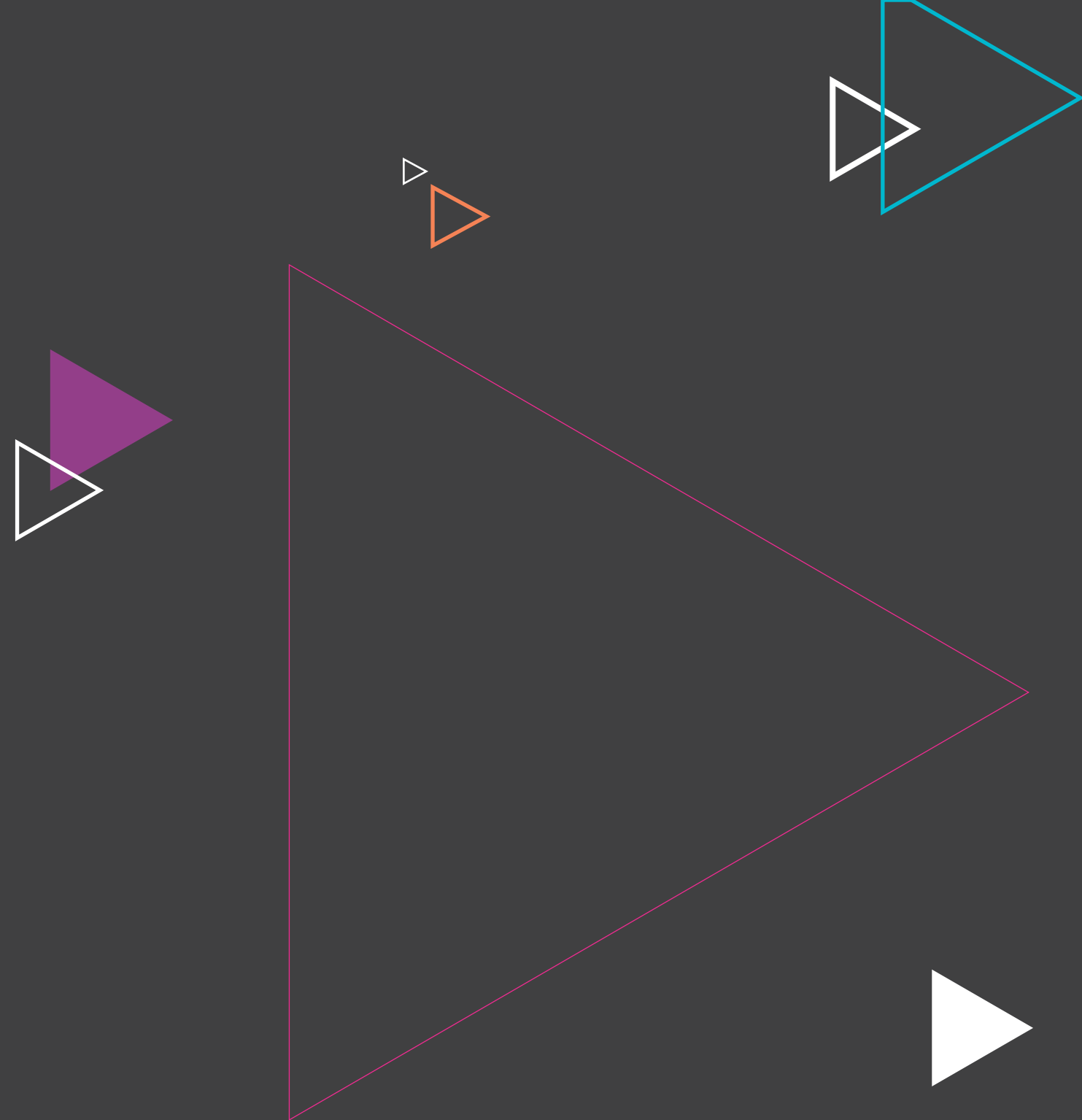




Hellesdon Sixth Form

Prospectus

Part of the **WENSUM**TRUST



**YOUR
NEXT
STEP
STARTS
HERE**



**Hellesdon
Sixth Form**



Welcome

Hellesdon Sixth Form is a well-established and highly successful sixth form, recognised for its excellent outcomes, outstanding support and vibrant community. While the natural progression route for students from Hellesdon High School, we are proud to welcome students from across Norwich and beyond, including Taverham, Drayton and Earlham.

Large enough to offer an extensive range of both academic and vocational courses, exceptional facilities and a rich programme of enrichment opportunities, yet small enough to ensure every student is known, valued and supported, Hellesdon Sixth Form provides the very best of both worlds. As a student you will benefit from small class sizes, expert and passionate teaching and personalised guidance through dedicated tutors and pastoral staff, ensuring that every individual is challenged to achieve their ambitions.

Our strong academic record and commitment to student success mean that year after year our students secure places at leading universities, higher and degree apprenticeships, and a wide range of exciting career pathways. Whatever your aspirations, our dedicated and experienced staff will provide the support, advice and opportunities you need to take your next step with confidence. From UCAS applications and interview preparation to apprenticeship guidance and CV development, we are committed to helping every student realise their potential and achieve success.

We invite you to visit us at our Open Evening and explore our website to discover what makes Hellesdon Sixth Form such a special place to study. We look forward to welcoming you and helping you to achieve your ambitions.

Richard Taylor

Director of Hellesdon Sixth Form



Hellesdon Sixth Form

OUR facilities

Outstanding Facilities Designed to Help You Succeed

Following a significant investment in our Sixth Form facilities, Hellesdon Sixth Form offers an exceptional environment in which to both study and relax with friends.

At the heart of the Sixth Form is our fully refurbished Study Centre – a quiet, purposeful space equipped with over 70 PCs and laptops, providing everything you need to succeed. Whether completing independent study, conducting research or preparing assignments, you will have access to excellent resources and support from our dedicated Study Centre Supervisor.

To accommodate our growing and thriving Sixth Form community, we have expanded and enhanced our Common Room, creating a spacious and welcoming social hub where students can unwind between lessons or at the start and end of the day. Comfortable seating areas, kitchen facilities and a brand new food offer, unique to sixth form students, provide the perfect space to relax, meet friends and recharge.

Both the Study Centre and Common Room are fully equipped with Wi-Fi, allowing you to work flexibly on your own devices and making Hellesdon Sixth Form a modern, connected and inspiring place to learn.

By combining outstanding facilities with a strong sense of community, Hellesdon Sixth Form provides an environment where students can thrive academically, socially and personally.

“The new Study Centre and Common Room have a really grown up, university feel about them. I can complete my work in a quiet focused environment, away from the distractions of daily life, as well as relax with friends at the end of a busy day and during breaks.”

Year 12 student



Supporting YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY



Continued Support Throughout this Exciting Chapter

Starting Sixth Form is an exciting new chapter, and at Hellesdon you will be supported every step of the way. From the moment you join us, you will benefit from the guidance and expertise of a dedicated Head of Key Stage 5, whose role is to ensure you make a successful transition and thrive throughout your time with us.

Alongside this, our non-teaching Head of Year provides dedicated support and guidance, ensuring that there is always someone available to help you navigate the challenges and opportunities of Sixth Form life.

You will be assigned a Personal Tutor who will work closely with you over your two years at Hellesdon, monitoring your academic progress, supporting your wellbeing and helping you plan your next steps. Our experienced tutors are committed to ensuring that every student is known, valued and equipped with the confidence, skills and ambition to achieve their goals, whether that be university, an apprenticeship or employment.

At Hellesdon Sixth Form, outstanding support, high expectations and strong relationships combine to help every student fulfil their potential and move confidently on to their next steps

▷ "The Sixth Form takes our wellbeing really seriously. We have a dedicated Head of Year who is always available to speak to us during the day if we have any worries or concerns. It's great to know we have someone who can listen to us and take the pressure off a bit."

Y12 student.

▷ "I love being a Personal Tutor with my Y13 students - having mature conversations about next steps and knowing I played a small part helping them in their decisions, is really satisfying."

Year 13 Personal Tutor

Expert TEACHING

“With small class sizes and motivated students, I really look forward to my A-Level lessons. Helping students on their learning journey at Hellesdon is a real privilege.”

Y13 A-Level teacher.

Expert Teaching, Exceptional Facilities

At Hellesdon Sixth Form, you will be taught by passionate subject specialists with a proven track record of securing outstanding outcomes. Whether studying A Levels or one of our high-quality vocational courses, you will benefit from expert teaching that inspires, challenges and prepares you for your next step.

Our deliberately small class sizes create an environment where students are known as individuals and benefit from personalised support and the guidance to develop the independence expected of successful Sixth Form learners.

Students also enjoy access to outstanding specialist facilities, including modern science laboratories and dedicated creative spaces. Student studying the creative subjects benefit from exclusive use of the Art Workroom, providing the ideal environment to develop their skills, creativity and portfolio work.

Combining exceptional teaching with first-class facilities, Hellesdon Sixth Form provides an ambitious and inspiring environment in which every student can thrive.



Valuable LEARNING

Enrichment and Leadership Opportunities

At Hellesdon Sixth Form, education extends far beyond the classroom. Alongside outstanding teaching and academic success, we offer a rich programme of enrichment opportunities designed to broaden horizons, develop new skills and prepare students for life beyond Sixth Form.

From subject-specific visits and cultural experiences to our weekly Conference programme, where students engage with guest speakers and experts on a wide range of contemporary issues, including politics, the environment, health and current affairs. These experiences encourage intellectual curiosity and help students develop into informed, confident and reflective young adults.

Every student undertakes meaningful work experience as part of their Programme of Study, gaining valuable insight into the workplace and developing the skills needed to succeed in higher education, apprenticeships and employment. Dedicated support with applications, interview preparation and career planning ensures that students are well prepared for their next step.

Leadership opportunities are at the heart of Sixth Form life. Students can make a lasting contribution to the wider school community through mentoring younger pupils, leading initiatives and representing the student body. Membership of the Senior Student Leadership Team provides the opportunity to shape the Sixth Form experience, develop valuable leadership skills and make a genuine difference to the life of the school.

By combining academic excellence with excellent opportunities for enrichment, leadership and personal development, Hellesdon Sixth Form equips students with the confidence, character and experiences needed to thrive in an ever-changing world.



OUR courses

1

Pathway 1 – A Levels and Single Award BTEC (this pathway could also include one of the new V Levels)

This pathway is designed for students who wish to study predominantly academic qualifications or specialist vocational subjects, providing a strong foundation for progression to higher education, degree apprenticeships and skilled employment.

Entry Criteria

A minimum of **6 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above**.

Individual A Level subjects may require a **Grade 6 or above** in the relevant subject (or a related subject where appropriate).



2

Pathway 2 – Full-time Vocational Courses

This pathway is ideal for students who prefer a practical, career-focused approach to learning. Through a combination of coursework, applied projects and industry-relevant content, students develop the technical knowledge, professional behaviours and transferable skills valued by employers, universities and apprenticeship providers.

Full-time vocational qualifications provide clear progression routes into higher education, higher and degree apprenticeships, and a wide range of employment sectors, enabling students to gain experience that reflects real-world working environments.

Entry Criteria

A minimum of **4 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above**.

Individual A Level subjects may require a **Grade 6 or above** in the relevant subject (or a related subject where appropriate).



3

Pathway 3 – Double Award BTEC/OCR Plus One Additional Course

This pathway offers students the opportunity to combine the depth of a Double Award vocational qualification with an additional A Level, BTEC or other Level 3 course. It is designed for students who want to specialise in a particular vocational area while maintaining a broader programme of study.

By combining academic and vocational learning, students can tailor their curriculum to suit their interests, strengths and future ambitions. This flexible pathway supports progression to university, higher and degree apprenticeships, or skilled employment, while allowing students to develop a balanced range of knowledge and practical skills.

Students choose one of the Double Award courses and complement it with one additional Level 3 qualification.

Entry Criteria

A minimum of **5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above**.



Please note all courses are subject to minimum numbers.

Unique PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME

As the official education partner of Norwich City Community Sports Foundation, we are able to provide you with an opportunity to continue your education, combined with an outstanding football experience through three unique programmes for boys and girls.

In partnership with



COMMUNITY
SPORTS
FOUNDATION

▷ "Everything we learn is relevant, engaging and versatile. It gives us a pathway to follow and whilst it is helping me with my future plans to be a teacher, it is also providing me with skills and information I can use elsewhere."

Year 13 Student



Football and Education Programmes

The Football and Education Programme for boys is a football-focussed offering that replicates the professional environment. Players have aspirations to further their on-pitch development whilst also building a dual career pathway at the same time.

The Football and Education Programme for girls is a football-focused offering that provides a direct link into Norwich City Women's FC and potential exit routes into overseas scholarships and the national league structure.

The Football Learning Programme has a wider football perspective with more focus on careers development for those considering a non-playing career in sport, such as coaching, media or science-based progressions.

Sports Coaching programme

The Sports Coaching Programme provides a unique offering that combines a core academic offer alongside additional sports coaching qualifications and enrichment opportunities.

For those looking to pursue a career in "something sporty" the two-year offering gives a wide-ranging insight across the full sporting sector, whilst achieving 3 A-levels and an industry-recognised coaching qualification in the process.

The course is designed to promote a pathway into both PE teaching and coaching across a variety of different sports, it certainly isn't all about football!

Through the programme's UEA partnership, the university will be supporting students with their degree level exit routes and potential PGCE progression, alongside additional academic support and site visits to the university campus, ensuring students are well supported to achieve positive exit routes.

To find out more details about the programme, or to register your interest and apply, scan here.



▷ "The course is unique in that it offers teaching experience placements across a variety of settings, vocational qualifications to further enhance CVs and skill sets, whilst the partnership with the UEA is ensuring the next steps are already being supported for our students to achieve."

Stevie Bramble

Head of Curriculum at
Norwich City CSF



Your TYPICAL DAY AT SIXTH FORM

Ask any student and they will tell you that life at Hellesdon Sixth Form is jam-packed!

Monday through to Wednesday, the day starts with Tutor Time - a dedicated slot where our students are able to raise questions, ask for support, or simply chat about day-to-day life with an experienced Post-16 tutor.

On Thursdays and Fridays our individual mentoring sessions take place. Through this our students are able to develop their working relationships with tutors, as well as discuss their academic or pastoral needs or goals within a more private environment.

Morning

Off to lessons...

Proud to offer lessons delivered by specialist post-16 teachers who are able to challenge, stretch and support all students to ensure they gain the skills and knowledge needed to succeed.

10am

9am

Having somewhere to study privately between lessons is incredibly important, which is why all our students have access to our brilliant Study Centre. Equipped with the latest technology, it's been designed with our students in mind, providing them with the perfect environment to focus in-between lessons.

Sixth Form also comes with extra freedom. And taking the time to relax between studies is just as important as the lessons themselves. Our recently enhanced Common Room is the ideal place to unwind.

11am

afternoon

12pm

Aside from being a destination for relaxation, our Common Room comes equipped with a modern kitchen and all the appliances our students need to make themselves a delicious lunch or snack. Giving our students this autonomy is just another step in preparing them for the next steps post sixth form.

Alongside all of this, students participate in our weekly Conference. Unique to our Sixth Form, this a meeting for the whole year group, with guest speakers and opportunities to take part in extracurricular activities

All-in-all a very busy, but enjoyable time. Believe us - the two years pass very quickly!

In partnership with



Your NEXT STEP

Preparing You for Your Next Step

Whether your ambition is a leading university, a higher or degree apprenticeship with a national employer, or employment, Hellesdon Sixth Form provides a structured and personalised Post-18 Choices programme to help you make informed decisions about your future.

Delivered in partnership with the University of East Anglia, the programme enables students to explore the full range of opportunities available to them and receive tailored guidance throughout the application process. Expert support from tutors, careers advisers and external partners ensures that every student is equipped to take their next step with confidence.

Students applying to Oxbridge and other highly competitive universities benefit from a bespoke preparation programme, including specialist guidance and support throughout the application process.

Year after year, our students progress to a wide range of successful destinations, including leading universities, higher and degree apprenticeships, and rewarding careers, reflecting our commitment to ensuring every student leaves Hellesdon ready to fulfil their ambitions.

UNIVERSITY

APPRENTICESHIP

EMPLOYMENT

Proud to say that
all of our students
are successful in
moving on to their
next step - whether
that be university,
apprenticeships or
employment.



GETTING *here*

walk

If you live locally, we would recommend you walk or bike to Hellesdon Sixth Form.

drive

For Sixth Form students who have a full driver's licence and want to travel in by car, a parking permit is required. You can get one of these in agreement with the Head of Year in return for a donation of £10 towards the Sixth Form's chosen charity.

bus

Norfolk County Council currently run school bus services between Horsford, Newton St Faith, Felthorpe and Hellesdon Sixth Form. In order to use this transport you will need to apply to the Post 16 travel scheme. All the details about the scheme are on the Norfolk County Council website.

First Bus also run services from Hellesdon to Norwich City Centre, Long Stratton, Harleston and Mulbarton, whilst Sanders Coaches run bus services between Aylsham and Hellesdon.





1

We offer a wide range of courses.

3

We provide a welcoming and supportive environment.

2

You will benefit from enjoyable and small class sizes.

4

You will receive expert tuition.

6

On average, 75% of our students go to university.

Ten reasons

**TO JOIN
HELLESDON
SIXTH FORM**

5

Discover your potential at one of Norfolk's best Sixth Forms.

7

We have great facilities to study and relax.

9

We give students a voice.

8

Our unique partnerships will provide you with valuable opportunities and experiences.

10

We will prepare you for your next step.

START HERE



Scan here for further details on all our courses

Hellesdon
Sixth Form



GET IN TOUCH

E-mail us

sixthform@hellesdon.net

Call us

01603 254344

Write to us

Hellesdon High Sixth Form Centre
187 Middletons Lane
Norwich
NR6 5SB
Director of Sixth Form: Mr R Taylor



[hellesdonsixthform](https://www.instagram.com/hellesdonsixthform)