



ARNEWOOD SIXTH



# PROSPECTUS



This prospectus will guide you through the rich and varied curriculum on offer to students of all abilities. It will, hopefully, convey the sense of community and spirit here at Arnewood Sixth making it such a great place to study. We pride ourselves on our strong pastoral care and this knowledge of each and every student supports one of the most exciting times in your education. The Sixth Form will allow you to study in a purposeful yet relaxed environment where success is an integral part of this thriving sixth form.

Arnewood Sixth is hard working, but it is also fun. You will make friendships that can last a lifetime and you will be encouraged to fulfil your potential and realise your ambitions.

For further information about Arnewood Sixth visit the school website or please don't hesitate to contact us here at the school.

**Mark Colman**  
Head of Sixth Form





# Sixth Form Ethos

Thank you for your interest in continuing your studies with our academy. Whether your next step is university, further education, apprenticeship, training or employment, Arnewood Sixth will provide you with a secure route to your next goal.

Our track record of high achievement for both academic and vocational courses sits with equal pride alongside our reputation for excellent post-16 teaching and specialist pastoral

support. While many students continue their education with us from Arnewood, large numbers join us from elsewhere, including overseas. All are most welcome in our truly inclusive and happy sixth form.

I extend a warm invitation to visit the school and see for yourself the wide range of opportunities on offer, including our dedicated Sixth Form resources. Whatever your destination, your success matters to us.

**Jamie Anderson**  
Headteacher



Why study  
at Arnewood  
Sixth?





- > Positive [exam results](#) with a proven track record of students progressing to Higher Education, training and employment
- > Excellent, purpose built facilities fitting our broad curriculum
- > "The quality of teaching is excellent" Ofsted
- > The positive working relationships between staff and students
- > [University](#) and Career Guidance supported by a structured tutorial package
- > [Financial support](#), travel subsidies and individualised life skills programme
- > Innovative use of eLearning across the school's WiFi enabled campus



Study programmes are well planned to build on students' individual starting points and aspirations

Ofsted



# Guidance, Support and Achievement



Sixth Form students enter a mature partnership with the school. We expect the very highest standards of commitment and achievement from our students but in turn we are committed to providing an education of the highest quality.

We believe working together is one of our strengths. That is why our experienced tutor team is there to support you with mentoring, offering strong pastoral care as well as excellent careers guidance.



### PERSONAL TUTOR



- Monitor progress
- Guide, support, prepare

### INTERVIEW PREPARATION



- Communication skills
- External interviews

### CAREERS GUIDANCE



- Careers Fair
- Workshops

### WORK EXPERIENCE



- Industry experience
- Work experience week

### APPLICATION SUPPORT



- University/Apprenticeship
- Russell Group Universities

### LIFE SKILLS



- CV writing
- Personal skills
- Student finance

WORKING TOGETHER

**GUIDANCE** SUPPORT **LIFE SKILLS** CAREERS  
HEALTH **& WELLBEING STUDIES** SUCCESS

Coming to Arnewood from a different school was easy, both students and teachers have been so welcoming. The sixth form staff try really hard to organise events that will help us bond as a group. I am able to be independent but also seek and receive any support I need.

**Year 12 student**



All of the teachers at Arnewood are so supportive and genuinely want the best for you. They are always doing what they can to help check your progress and to guide you towards the grade you are aspiring to. As a student arriving from another school, I was slightly nervous about moving to an unfamiliar place. However, everyone was very welcoming and friendly and I integrated quickly into the sixth form.

**Year 12 student**

The step into year 12 was easy, much easier than expected; guidance from staff really helped confirm my course choices and I really liked the friendly and welcoming environment on the open days.

**Year 12 student**



For a full list of courses visit <https://www.arnewood.hants.sch.uk/sixth-form/courses/>



# The Curriculum & Student Views

We recognise the importance of being the best you can be by offering qualifications like the EPQ, Core Maths, Future Learn and MOOC courses to enhance any applications. Here at The Arnewood Sixth Form we believe that every student should have the opportunity to continue their education post-16, and we have continued to develop a range of courses to meet individual needs. We deliver a wide range of A levels and vocational

courses taught by expert staff with a continuing commitment to the highest standards. Our results consistently place us within the top performing sixth form colleges nationally, according to the A Level performance data, and our learning environment provides a relaxed yet purposeful atmosphere.

There is a strong focus in the Sixth Form on skill development, independent study and in-depth learning.

Alongside taught lessons, students are expected to undertake additional reading and research in each of their chosen courses. To aid this, we provide well-equipped private study rooms with computers and internet access across the school site. The school library is an excellent facility that is staffed by experts adept at helping students locate materials relevant to their research.



# Student Support

We take care of you right from the start. You will have the opportunity to study new and interesting subjects in specialist subject areas. Alongside this there is a wide range of subject-based trips, for instance Hampton Court Palace, the Houses of Parliament, the Crown Court, Science Live and numerous trips to universities.





Arnewood offers a good range of courses which suit all different types of people. Within the subjects the teachers are dedicated to helping you achieve.

**Year 12 student**



"Arnewood Sixth has purposeful, focused lessons where students work diligently"

**Ofsted**



In photography we had the opportunity to go to the Arts Institute in Bournemouth where we were fortunate enough to go around the Arts exhibition as well as have workshops using their specialist equipment.

**Year 12 student**



# Careers, Work Experience and Apprenticeships

The employability skills programme taught me a great deal about the essential qualities that employers are looking for. I gained interview and CV writing experience which has helped me when writing my personal statement and preparing for university interviews.

**Year 12 student**



The interview skills day was very useful and allowed me to learn and develop skills which will be valuable in the future. Having JP Morgan and Sports Specialists Adidas come in provided a realistic setting and while conducting interviews in groups meant the overall experience was less daunting. The feedback given by the interviewers was extremely helpful.

**Year 12 student**



For my work experience I went to the Houses of Parliament where I shadowed my local MP. There I was able to observe, learn and experience how our national government works and what MPs do in order to represent and help their constituents. It was really helpful to see the knowledge I learned this year in action.

**Year 12 student**

# Extra Curricular Opportunities

We encourage all students to make the most of our enrichment programme. The enrichment programme is constantly evolving and offers a great range of activities such as learning an extra language, a ski trip, being part of the Community Programme supporting lower school or the wider community, school productions, concerts, fashion shows and exhibitions in Art and Photography.

There is an enrichment afternoon where you can

swim, go to the gym at New Milton Health and Leisure or play recreational volleyball or badminton. For those of you who are more competitive we run our First XI Football Team in the Dorset Schools Football League and enter tournaments in rugby, netball and hockey. Alongside our range of activities, students are actively encouraged to start their own clubs, groups and societies.

Head Students and Deputies are appointed each year and act as ambassadors for

the whole school. These roles form part of the student leadership team that really have an impact on shaping the direction of the Sixth Form. Their roles have included taking part in school presentations, leading assemblies and providing inset to staff on teaching and learning. The student leadership team is also instrumental in organising the start of term freshers evening, the end of year prom and the various social events that take place during the year.



Alongside the school's main choir and orchestra the Sixth Form offers the opportunity to be part of smaller ensembles. Whether that be as a singer-songwriter, group or as a jazz band, the music rooms are available to practise in for lunchtime or end of term concerts.



**Year 12 student**





