



Newport Girls'
High School



SIXTH FORM **Prospectus** 2026 ENTRY

Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to Newport Girls' High School

For over a century, Newport Girls' High School has been at the forefront of girls' education—combining tradition with innovation to prepare young women for bright and ambitious futures. As a school with a proud heritage and a forward-thinking ethos, we are delighted to introduce you to **NGHS6**, our exceptional Sixth Form.

NGHS6 is a vibrant, ambitious, and supportive community where students are empowered to thrive both academically and personally. Whether you are continuing your journey with us from Year 11 or joining from another school, you will find a warm welcome and a wealth of opportunities to grow, lead, and succeed.

We are proud to be **Shropshire's top-performing state school and sixth form provider**, and the **only Sixth Form in the region to be rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted** in every category. These accolades reflect our unwavering commitment to excellence and the high aspirations we hold for every student.

At NGHS6, we offer more than just academic success. Our dedicated staff, inspiring curriculum, and wide-ranging enrichment programme ensure that every student is challenged, supported, and encouraged to reach their full potential. We foster a culture of curiosity, resilience, and independence—qualities that prepare our students not only for success at university and in their careers, but also for life beyond the classroom.

Our Sixth Formers are role models and leaders within the school community. They take on responsibilities, contribute to school life, and shape the future of NGHS through their ideas and energy. We are immensely proud of the confident, compassionate, and capable young people they become.

I invite you to explore this prospectus and discover what makes NGHS6 such a special place to learn and grow. We look forward to welcoming you and supporting you on the next exciting stage of your educational journey.

Best wishes,
Adam Jones
Headteacher
Newport Girls' High School





“
Leaders and teachers are highly ambitious for all pupils.
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 – Ofsted

A welcome from the Sixth Form Team

There is a dedicated team of staff within the sixth form who are here to support all students in achieving their goals, whatever they may be. Mrs Griffin, Miss Heyes, Mrs Glew and Mrs Martin work closely alongside a team of very experienced tutors to ensure that students receive both academic and pastoral support which is bespoke to them and their individual needs. We want to ensure that academically students achieve their potential and are able to fulfil their dreams, they are able to develop as a person by making the most of all the opportunities available to them and have great fun along the way!

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At our sixth form every student is welcomed, every voice is valued and every ambition is nurtured.
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 – Year 12 Student



Message from the Head Girl Team



Everyone at NGHS6 is delighted to extend a warm welcome to all students joining us in 2026, and we are committed to making the transition as smooth and enjoyable as possible. From your very first day, you'll experience a strong sense of community, with friendly faces, a supportive atmosphere, and a real family feel that makes NGHS6 so special. This welcoming environment is enriched by a plethora of clubs, societies and trips, all designed to help you connect with others and form lasting friendships. Alongside the extensive extracurricular life, students are supported in achieving their academic goals through comprehensive lessons and optional drop-in sessions that allow every student to reach their full potential. Our vibrant house system adds another dimension to life in the sixth form by bringing students together through friendly competition, celebrating individual and team successes, and creating space for unforgettable experiences. If you ever need any additional support, the school has an outstanding pastoral team that is always available, along with dedicated teachers who are always there to lend a hand. We're so excited to be part of your journey and can't wait to help you make the most of every moment!

“
Without having to choose initially from option blocks, I was able to pick the subjects I was strongest in as well as those I actually wanted to study.
 ”
 – Year 12 Student

Sixth Form Curriculum

Our NGHS6 Curriculum is unashamedly academic and allows progression onto virtually any university course or apprenticeship. There are four possible pathways:

- 3 A levels and EPQ (Extended Project Qualification)
- 3 A levels and AS Physical Education
- 3 A levels and AS Core Maths
- 4 A levels (if you have an average GCSE score of 7.75 +)

Unlike other sixth form providers, **we run a free-choice options system**; you choose the courses you wish to study and we devise option blocks to fit the maximum number of choices. This allows real flexibility, which we feel best meets students’ needs.

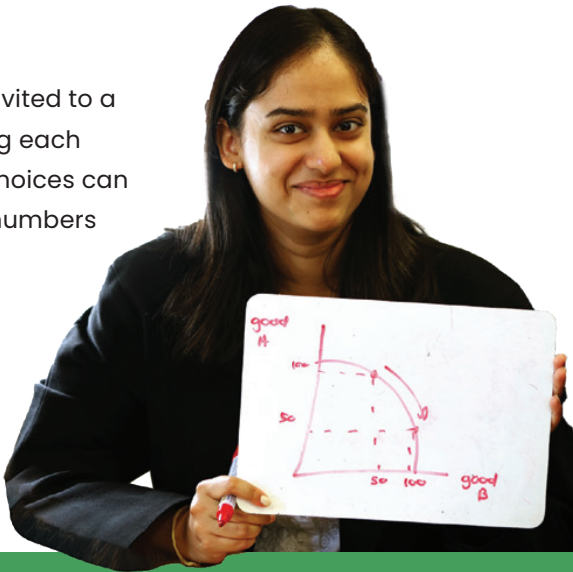


At NGHS,
we offer
22
sixth form
courses:

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| • Art | • Geography |
| • Biology | • German |
| • Business Studies | • History |
| • Chemistry | • Mathematics |
| • Computer Science | • Music |
| • Core Maths AS level | • Philosophy of Religion & Ethics (RE) |
| • Drama & Theatre Studies | • Physical Education (PE) – AS Level |
| • Economics | • Physics |
| • English Literature | • Politics |
| • French | • Product Design |
| • Further Mathematics | • Psychology |

After submitting an online application via our website, students may be invited to a Future Pathways discussion where we will explore the reasons for choosing each subject and any future plans. After this meeting, any changes to course choices can be made by mutual agreement, but the School reserves the right to cap numbers for certain subjects once the initial deadline for applications has passed.

Year 12 and 13 students also study a programme of compulsory PSHE and sport. The rest of the timetable is given over to vital private study time and our Sixth Form Centre facilitates space for solo or group working according to student needs and preferences.



Academic Success

Newport Girls’ High School is proud to be recognised as one of the top-performing schools in the Midlands. In the *Sunday Times Parent Power Guide 2025*, NGHS is ranked 8th in the West Midlands and 61st nationally, reflecting a consistent record of academic excellence.

In 2025, A-Level students achieved outstanding results, with 78% of all grades awarded at A*–B and 49% at A* or A. Individual subject details can be seen on our website, showcasing the breadth and depth of achievement across the curriculum, placing NGHS as the top-ranked school in Telford & Wrekin, Shropshire, and Staffordshire.

Wider School Life

House Events:

The House system is a thriving part of our community where the sixth form students lead the whole school. Competitions take place in drama, music, board games, quizzes, bake off, photography and so much more. We guarantee there is something for everyone and you too can become a proud member of either **Austen**, **Roddam** or **Seacole**.

Performing Arts:

If you are interested in the performing arts, either on stage or behind the scenes, then we are the place for you. Musical theatre is our passion and you are invited to get involved in our huge annual production. Recent productions include Six, The Little Shop of Horrors and Sister Act. Who knows what you could be involved in next year? There is also the opportunity to go to London for the weekend and take part in a workshop before watching a West End classic.

Music:

We have a vibrant music department, so whether you are a classical solo musician, a member of a rock band or love to sing in the choir, there is an abundance of opportunities for you. There are regular performance opportunities where you can showcase and develop your talents.

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As a joining student, getting involved in house events was a fantastic opportunity for me to make friends upon arriving at the school, and the range of competitions ensures there is something for everyone. It truly is a fundamental part of the NGHS Family.

– Year 12 House Team Member

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Sport:

We have a passion for all sports, competing both locally and nationally. Whether students want to develop their skills through tuition or have great fun competing against the staff, there are opportunities for all.

Culture Day:

Great pleasure is taken during our culture day when students are encouraged to celebrate their own traditions and cultures. Fantastic fun is had as students dance, sing, bake and share stories regarding their own cultural influences. The day allows us to celebrate our diversity and is all led and organised for the benefit of the school by sixth form students.

Young Enterprise:

Many sixth form students get involved in Young Enterprise, developing their entrepreneurial skills. Students come together to create their own company, designing, manufacturing and marketing their own product. Teamwork is at the heart of our success, recently coming third in the national finals.

Duke of Edinburgh Gold:

Many of our students undertake this epic challenge which develops their skills and independence. Incredible memories are made supporting others through extensive voluntary work and during the expedition.

Trips:

There are so many opportunities for sixth form students to go on trips, from Cheshire Oaks to London shows, from Iceland to Germany. Students are encouraged to get involved where they can in order to support their learning and enjoyment of sixth form life.



Support

Life as a 16–18 year old is not always easy, and therefore we have a vast array of support to help you negotiate any obstacles you make encounter.

Transition to the sixth form:

It can be scary moving to a new school, therefore lots of thought is put into supporting student transition. Students are invited to an induction afternoon and to join student WhatsApp groups before starting the academic year. A range of activities to support transition to A levels and meeting new people ensure that external students quickly become part of our NGHS6 family. Integral to this is the year 12 trip to Liverpool for a social and cultural weekend. Here students will enjoy a show, partake in the Beatles tour and have quality time bonding with their new friends.



Academic & Pastoral Support:

We pride ourselves on the quality of our care and support, and have recently been awarded the AcSEED award and Health and Wellbeing Charter Mark 2025. Your tutor, our Academic & Pastoral Wellbeing Officer and Head of Sixth Form are all available each day to offer support or guidance. If the situation is more difficult, we offer counselling in school and have strong working relationships with a number of local and national agencies. All staff are regularly trained in supporting SEND students and our SENDCO (Miss Baker) can discuss any individual needs with you.



Curriculum Enrichment Week (CEW):

This is a week off timetable each June in order to support our students with their next steps. There is a comprehensive programme planned which includes visiting a UCAS fair and university open day, many guest speakers focusing on student finance and degree apprenticeships. There are specialist sessions on personal statements and Early Entry, plus we make extensive use of our outstanding alumni of ex-students who help and support with applications and interview practice.

Sixth Form Admissions

NGHS students attain high academic standards, however, many students are surprised to learn that our entry criteria are quite modest when compared to other local providers. When applying to NGHS before the deadline, your predicted GCSE grades are first considered and conditional offers are made. Once your GCSE results are known in August, places can be confirmed ready for September.

To join NGHS6, we require:

- Mathematics and English Language both at Grade 5+
- At least a Grade 6 in the three or four subjects you wish to study for A-level (for Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and MFL a Grade 7+ is recommended and a Grade 8+ is required for Further Maths). For subjects you have not studied before (such as Politics) see the subject pages in our course guide or our website.
- A further three GCSEs at Grade 6 or higher.

If you are studying BTEC courses, these should be at least at Merit standard and each BTEC course replaces one GCSE (even if it is a double or triple award). Please see our admissions policy on the website for further details.



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outstanding
sixth form.**

**Be academically
successful
and achieve
your dreams.**

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