



Entry into the Sixth Form - September 2026

General Admissions Information

Entry requires as a minimum 5 GCSEs of grade 5 or above including Maths and English in order to meet a basic academic standard - one which shows individuals can meet demands placed on them. Students on an A-level pathway will study 3 A-levels, with a fourth subject possible in **exceptional** cases. In line with our curriculum aims, we do not facilitate students studying solely one BTEC subject

Specific subject entry requirements

Subject	Entry Requirements
Art & Design – Fine Art	Grade 5 in Art
Art & Design – Photography	Grade 5 in Photography
Art & Design – Textile Design	Grade 5 in Textiles or Art
Biology	Grade 6 in Biology or Combined Science, and a grade 6 in Maths
Business Studies	Grade 6 in Business Studies or grade 6 in English <u>and</u> Maths
Chemistry	Grade 6 in Chemistry or Combined Science, and a grade 6 in Maths
Computer Science	Grade 6 in Computer Science and grade 6 in Maths
Drama	Grade 5 in Drama
Economics	Grade 6 in Maths
English Language & Literature	Grade 6 in English
English Literature	Grade 6 in English Literature
Extended Project Qualification (E.P.Q.)	Open to any student admitted under the general admissions criteria
French	Grade 6 in French
Geography	Grade 6 in Geography
German	Grade 6 in German
History	Grade 6 in History
Mathematics	Grade 7 in Maths
Further Mathematics	Grade 8 in Maths
Media Studies	Grade 5 in at least one of Media or English
Physical Education	Grade 5 in GCSE PE or a Merit in Level 2 BTEC Sport
Physics	Grade 6 in Physics or Combined Science, and a grade 6 in Maths
Politics	Grade 5 in at least one of English, Geography, or History
Product Design	Grade 5 in Design & Technology
Psychology	Grade 5 in Science and grade 5 in English
Religious Studies – Philosophy, Ethics & Theology	Grade 5 in RE
Sociology	Grade 5 in English
BTEC Dance	Merit in BTEC Level 2 Dance
BTEC Health & Social Care	Merit in BTEC Level 2 Health & Social Care
BTEC Music	Grade 5 in GCSE Music or Merit in BTEC Level 2 Music or Music Grading 5 on an instrument and associated theory

Unless stated otherwise English means either English Language or English Literature.

While we aim to offer all of these subjects, please note the running of a course will ultimately depend upon sufficient levels of student interest and we may have to revise the curriculum offer in light of this.

North Leamington School Sixth Form is a local community school and will consider all applications from parents/carers who wish to send their children to this school. We will treat all cases on their own merits as we endeavour to offer the best advice and guidance to prospective students regarding the suitability of courses to

meet their needs and to ensure their success in the sixth form. Therefore in exceptional circumstances, students with a very good GCSE profile but who have not achieved either Maths or English at a Grade 4 at the start of the programme may be considered.

Any student securing <4 in either English or Maths GCSE will **not** be offered a place irrespective of their other GCSE results. In such cases where a student scores a 4 but not a 5 in either English or Maths and is offered a place, they will be encouraged to continue studying for the GCSE English or Maths at Grade 5+ via independent study and paying for a re-sit. This is to further their likely options post-18.

All qualifications on entry point must be GCSE/BTEC L2 or recognised as equivalents by the gov.uk (e.g. iGCSE) listing – irrespective of what companies who offer a service comparing qualifications from abroad with the UK say, this gov.uk list will be our referral point.