



SIXTH FORM FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What subjects do you offer?
 - We have a broad offering across the curriculum which consists of 24 subjects. Please [click here](#) for more information.
- What do you offer in Sixth Form that would help my Son/Daughter get into University?
 - Our students have one-to-one support from their tutor as well as attending Higher Education fairs. Support is also available for students applying for Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science.
- How do you integrate technology into the classroom and curriculum?
 - All our classrooms are fully equipped for technology use in lessons and through ClassCharts, Teams and Firefly students are able to use technology for homework too. Every subject uses a variety of technology to support learning.
- What are your class sizes?
 - On average our A-Level class sizes are 5-10.
- What Co Curricular activities do you offer?
 - We ensure that there is more to education than academic qualification. Our Sixth Form enrichment programme includes an extended project, enterprise opportunities with the Sixth Form shop, LAMDA, Music, a variety of sports, and the Westholme School Student news team. For more information please [click here](#).

Pastoral

- How do you handle bullying?
 - We work on prevention. Our PSHE sessions and assemblies focus on tolerance, respecting differences and understanding and appreciating the circumstances of others. Friendship groups naturally shift as students progress through the school and we aim to give students the tools to deal with these changes and make new friends. We have a zero tolerance approach to bullying; we encourage any student that feels they are being bullied or any bystander that thinks they may have witnessed a bullying incident to report it.

- What pastoral care do you offer at Westholme?
 - All Year groups have a Head of Year and then individual tutor groups have a form tutor and support tutor team attached. Our twice a day registration system enables the tutors to 'check in' with the students and spot if anything is amiss. The Nurse and School Counsellor are key members of the pastoral team and play a big part in supporting individual students as well as year group and whole school events.

- Is there an on-site nurse?
 - Yes - split between the sites. We also have a School Counsellor 3 days a week. She has some allocated appointment slots as well as lunchtime 'drop in' sessions.

- What makes Westholme a safe environment for my child?
 - It is a pleasant place to come each day. The children are happy, the staff and students know each other by name and we really get to know the students and their individual interests.

- Does Westholme have an 'open door' policy?
 - We have a lot of communication with parents as we believe it is always best to be open, transparent and work as a team.