



Course Specific Entry Criteria for Sixth Form

The criteria for entry into the Sixth Form at The Cottesloe School is a minimum of **38 points** overall from the best eight GCSE subjects **including a grade 4 in English Language and Mathematics.**

In addition, students must meet the specific subject criteria.

How do I work out my GCSE points score?

In order to calculate your points score, you will need to add up your total number of GCSE points for the **best eight** subjects including English and Maths.

Your best eight GCSE points score is calculated using the following information:

a) GCSE Grade 9-1 Score

9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
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Triple Science counts as 3 subjects in total

Biology grade	= 6 points
Chemistry grade	= 5 points
Physics grade	= 7 points
Total	= 18 points

Combined Science counts as 2 subjects in total

e.g. Combined Science grades = 6,5 points

Total = 11 points

b) BTEC/Other Level 2 qualifications

(Level 1 qualifications or scores do not count towards points score)

Distinction*	= 8.5 points
Distinction	= 7 points
Merit	= 5.5 points
Pass	= 4 points

Please remember:

You also need to meet any subject specific criteria for particular Level 3 courses as set out in the course information.

The following list shows a proposed list of courses for **September 2024**.

Courses may be changed, added to or removed depending on student numbers and staffing.

Course Specific GCSE Requirements

A Levels	
Biology	High grade 6 in GCSE Biology and Maths. Those with grade 6,7 in GCSE Combined Science (with a 6 in Biology papers) will also be considered.
Chemistry	High grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry and Maths. Those with grade 6,7 in GCSE Combined Science (with a 6 in Chemistry papers) will also be considered.
Physics	High grade 6 in GCSE Physics and Maths. Those with grade 6,7 in GCSE Combined Science (with a 6 in Physics papers) will also be considered.
Business Studies	Grade 6 in GCSE English or Merit in Business Level 2
Economics	Grade 6 in GCSE English and 5 in Maths
English Literature	Grade 6 in GCSE English Literature
English Language	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language
Art	Grade 6 in GCSE Art
History	Grade 6 in GCSE History
Psychology	Grade 6 in GCSE English and Grade 5 Maths
Sociology	Grade 6 in GCSE English Language
Core Maths	Grade 5 in GCSE Maths
Mathematics	High Grade 6 in GCSE Maths
Further Mathematics (AS only)	High Grade 7 in GCSE Maths
Computer Science	Grade 6 in GCSE Computer Science and Maths. Those with Distinction in IT and Grade 6 in Maths will also be considered.
Design Technology: Product Design	Grade 6 in DT and Grade 5 in English & Maths
French	High grade 6 in GCSE French
Geography	Grade 6 in GCSE Geography
Philosophy and Ethics	Grade 6 in Ethics & Philosophy and Grade 5 in English Language
Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) (Equivalent to AS Level)	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language
Level 3 Vocational Courses	
Sport (BTEC)	Grade 5 in GCSE Physical Education, Science and English
Health & Social Care (BTEC)	Grade 5,4 in Science
Applied Biology (BTEC)	Grade 5,4 in Science
Criminology (WJEC L3)	Grade 5 in English GCSE