



**SIR WILLIAM ROBERTSON  
ACADEMY SIXTH FORM**

**NO BORDERS, JUST HORIZONS..**



## WELCOME TO SIXTH FORM

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We are proud to be an ambitious, academic Sixth Form committed to the success of our students. Sir William Robertson Academy Sixth Form benefits from being part of a school that is driven by an ethos that all of our students ASPIRE to be the very best they can be. We encourage our students to be ambitious - No Borders, Just Horizons.

Undertaking Sixth Form studies is a considerable challenge that has the potential to be extremely rewarding and open doors to excellent opportunities in a young person's future. Through our personalised, supportive approach we watch our students thrive when facing this new academic challenge and see them go on to a range of outstanding destinations.

We are deeply committed to helping our students develop into well-rounded, articulate and highly employable individuals which we

achieve through maintaining high expectations and providing opportunities for them to grow into exceptional young adults.

Sir William Robertson Academy Sixth Form is above all a family. We provide superb pastoral care for our students and offer the support needed to flourish so that every student reaches their full potential.

Whether you are a current student at Sir William Robertson Academy or studying elsewhere, we look forward to receiving your application and welcoming you into our community.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M Wilson".

**Charlotte Wilson**  
Head of Sixth Form

# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

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Students at Sir William Robertson Academy Sixth Form are not set targets, but instead are issued with Minimum Expected Grades, which supports them to be ambitious and aspirational in their studies and ultimately achieve their full potential. Our students consistently pursue excellence in their studies and achieve well in their qualifications.

We are pleased to offer a broad and ambitious curriculum, with a wide range of both academic and vocational courses to suit the needs and interests of all our students. We tailor our curriculum planning to the applications received each year to help as many students as possible pursue their first-choice courses. Students can opt for an A Level, vocational or mixed pathway and we see young people from all routes progress to a wide variety of successful destinations when they complete their studies with us.









## DESTINATIONS

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Sir William Robertson Academy Sixth Form students move on to fantastic destinations including excellent universities, competitive higher and degree apprenticeships and exciting careers in their chosen fields. Alumni of the Sixth Form have gone on to study at universities such as Oxford, Cambridge, King's College London, York and Nottingham, and undertake training with employers such as the NHS, The Armed Forces and BAE Systems.

Every student is unique and we support each one of them on their journey to their next steps. We proudly prepare our students for the demands of life after their studies in the world of work. We have a strong commitment to creating an atmosphere of professionalism in our Sixth Form which is applied through our professional business dress code and academic learning environment. All Sixth Form students undertake at least one week of relevant work experience alongside sessions about work readiness to prepare them for their future careers. As well as this, various guest speakers visit the Academy to encourage them to consider a variety of destination options, and we also host a series of destination-focused trips.

# FACILITIES

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Sixth Form students are privileged to have access to a dedicated computer suite during their study periods to enable them to complete tasks required by their courses. They also have exclusive access during the day to our dining room which acts as an informal study space for students to bring their own laptops to complete school work or hold group sessions for class projects. These Sixth Form only facilities mean that there is always an opportunity for working hard on their studies and helps develop independence in their learning. As well as these spaces, Sixth Form students are able to use our well-stocked library for research and group study.





## ENRICHMENT

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Sir William Robertson Academy Sixth Form students have unique opportunities to have experiences beyond their academic studies through our excellent Enrichment programme.

Enrichment activities take place for both Year 12 and Year 13 on Wednesday afternoons and include a wide range of opportunities including mentoring, debating, dance, cooking and sports. These activities allow them to develop their leadership, teamwork and communication skills as well as preparing them for adult life.

Extended Base sessions support our students to develop academic study skills and in becoming informed about careers. These sessions also include personal, social and health education where they learn about key issues including well-being, finance, diversity, young driver awareness and fundamental British values.

Experiences beyond the classroom are an exciting part of Sixth Form life, with trips ranging from visiting universities for an insight into Higher Education to adventure visits for teambuilding. Subjects also offer trips ranging from visiting the British Film Institute in London for Media Studies to white-water rafting for Sport.



# SUPPORT

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Sir William Robertson Academy Sixth Form has a strong ethos in line with the rest of the school of treating each student as an individual which is championed through the regular, supportive guidance offered by our pastoral team. The Head of Sixth Form and Sixth Form Administrator are based in the Sixth Form area and offer a wide range of support to ensure that well-being is always a priority, which allows our students to flourish.

Base Tutors provide daily support for Sixth Form students and host 1:1 meetings so that they are offered personalised support with every aspect of their lives, from their academic endeavours to their personal development. We provide a strong programme of independent careers advice and guidance to ensure access to unbiased, up-to-date information when making key decisions about next steps. The teaching staff who work with our Sixth Form students are exceptionally committed to providing additional support beyond the classroom, including intervention sessions and mentoring programmes.





## STUDENT LEADERSHIP

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There are many opportunities for Sixth Form students to undertake roles of responsibility within the school. We hold a rigorous process annually to select our Head Students – outstanding individuals who embody our key values of ASPIRE and act as ambassadors for the school. These exceptional young people lead the wider Student Leadership Team in Sixth Form. Head Students have a vital role to play in the life of our school as they guide the development of the Sixth Form through the creation and leadership of initiatives to expand our offer.

There is a high level of engagement from Sixth Form students to participate in the leadership opportunities we have. Many of them volunteer for roles such as being Reading Buddies to Key Stage 3 children to support their English skills and mentoring Key Stage 4 students as they prepare for their GCSE examinations. We also have a team of Subject Ambassadors who provide peer support to their classmates and take on speaking roles at our Open Events.



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