

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS – SEPTEMBER 2026

Entry to Higham Lane Sixth Form requires 5 or more GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English Language and Mathematics.

All subjects will be offering the two year linear A Level/vocational route. AS Level qualifications will not be offered.

Subject	GCSE Entry Requirements	Other information
Biology	Grade 6 in Biology (or Grade 6-6 in Combined Science) Grade 6 in Maths	Grade 7 in Biology (or Grade 7-7 in Combined Science) and Grade 7 in Maths are recommended
Business	Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature Grade 5 in Maths	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form. If you have studied Business previously, a GCSE grade 6/vocational Level 2 Merit is recommended.
Chemistry	Grade 6 in Chemistry (or Grade 6-6 in Combined Science) Grade 6 in Maths	Grade 7 in Chemistry (or Grade 7-7 in Combined Science) and Grade 7 in Maths are recommended
Computer Science	Grade 6 in Maths	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form. If you have studied Computer Science previously, a grade 6 is recommended.
Criminology (vocational)	Grade 4 in English Language	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form.
Economics	Grade 5 in Maths Grade 5 in English Language	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form. Grade 6 in Maths and English Language are recommended.
English Language	Grade 6 in English Language	A grade 5 in both English Language and English Literature will also be accepted.
English Literature	Grade 6 in English Literature	A grade 5 in both English Language and English Literature will also be accepted.
Fine Art	Grade 5 in Art GCSE	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form. If you have not achieved a grade 5 in Art GCSE, a portfolio of work will be requested before you are accepted.
French	Grade 6 in French	Grade 7 in French is recommended
Further Mathematics	Grade 7 in Maths	Grade 8 in Maths is recommended.
Geography	Grade 5 in Geography Grade 5 in English Language	Grade 6 in Geography is recommended.
History	Grade 5 in History Grade 5 in English Language	Grade 6 in History is recommended.
Law	Grade 5 in English Language	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form.
Mathematics	Grade 6 in Maths	Grade 7 in Maths is recommended.
Physical Education	Grade 6 in PE OR a Level 2 Merit in a vocational Sport qualification Grade 5 in Biology (or Grade 5-5 in Combined Science)	You must be participating in at least one sport competitively outside of school on a regular basis.
Physics	Grade 6 in Physics (or Grade 6-6 in Combined Science) Grade 6 in Maths	Grade 7 in Physics (or Grade 7-7 in Combined Science) and Grade 7 in Maths are recommended
Politics	Grade 5 in English Language	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form. Grade 6 in History or Geography is recommended.
Psychology	Grade 5 in English Language Grade 5 in Biology (or Grade 5-5 in Combined Science)	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form.
Sociology	Grade 5 in English Language	A GCSE/vocational qualification in this subject is not required to study this course in our Sixth Form. If you have studied Sociology previously, a Grade 6 is recommended.

BIOLOGY
BUSINESS
CHEMISTRY
COMPUTER SCIENCE
CRIMINOLOGY
(VOCATIONAL LEVEL 3)
ECONOMICS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ENGLISH LITERATURE
FINE ART
FRENCH
FURTHER MATHEMATICS
GEOGRAPHY
HISTORY
LAW
MATHEMATICS
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
PHYSICS
POLITICS
PSYCHOLOGY
SOCIOLOGY

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