



The Carlton Academy

Post-16 Prospectus 2024





A warm welcome to The Carlton Academy

Thank you for showing an interest in The Carlton Academy and taking the time to read our Post-16 prospectus. Moving to the Sixth Form is a big step and we are committed to providing courses, opportunities and resources that will enable all Post-16 students to achieve future success, whether that be in higher education or full-time employment. We hope that The Carlton Academy Sixth Form is the natural choice for Post-16 provision for all Year 11s in the Carlton area.

The Sixth Form has an achievement culture in which hard work, quality teaching and pastoral support combine to provide you with the best opportunities for success. You will gain much from your time at The Carlton Academy and in return we expect a high level of commitment and endeavour from you, as well as maturity, independent learning and self-discipline.

At The Carlton Academy Sixth Form, we will help you to reach your academic potential, providing career support and guidance to prepare you for your next steps, whether that be Higher Education or work. Alongside that we are committed to developing young people into well-rounded individuals, providing opportunities for you to gain self-confidence and develop leadership skills through our pastoral and employability programme.

When making a decision as to your next step post-year 11, it's important that you make an informed choice and take advice from your teachers, parents and friends already studying beyond Year 11. Teachers and support staff will always be prepared to discuss your choices and answer any questions you may have.

The Carlton Academy is sponsored by Redhill Academy Trust. The Redhill Academy is an outstanding local school. Andrew Burns has the role of Chief Executive with responsibility for strategic direction of both Carlton and Redhill as well as other Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire schools within the Trust. Quite simply, his vision is to provide outstanding Academies serving the communities of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire.

The Academy will provide you with an exciting learning environment, where you will feel safe enough to take risks and be encouraged to excel in everything you do. Our aim is for you to do well in your examinations and improve your life opportunities. At the same time we want you to be inspired and excited by your teachers, whilst enjoying your time both inside and outside of the classroom.

Ms M Egwuma

Headteacher,

The Carlton Academy

Welcome from the Sixth Form Team

We are extremely proud of our Sixth Form with its high expectations, academic standards and quality teaching. We prepare Sixth Form students for their journey through life as a global citizen. We do this by giving them the skills, knowledge and experiences to make competitive post-18 applications. A number of our students were successful in gaining a place at University and are studying a variety of degree courses such as Psychology, Paramedic Science, Adult Nursing, International Relations, History and Mathematics. We are very proud that two of our students gained places at the University of Oxford to study History and Classical Archaeology.

The Carlton Academy Sixth Form is a warm and friendly environment. We are a growing Sixth Form who prides itself on getting to know all of the students individually so that our students can thrive during their time in Sixth Form. The Sixth Form is also supported by Andy Edwards, the Director of Post-16 provision across the Redhill Trust.

The Sixth Form team, alongside our experienced tutor team, are able to provide outstanding pastoral guidance and support. Our aim is to ensure that every student leaves the Carlton Academy having reached their full potential both academically and personally. Students are closely monitored and supported by us to enable them to not only achieve excellent results, but to also grow into a person who will successfully take their place in society. For the majority of students this will mean continuing on to higher education, although we have high-quality impartial careers advice available to all of our students.

We have very high expectations in terms of academic rigour, attendance and attitude – and parents play a key role in helping us work with students to achieve this. This partnership is vital and ensures that students remain focused throughout their studies.

Students in our Sixth Form are encouraged whilst they are members of the Sixth Form to participate in and contribute to wider-Academy life by taking part in enrichment and other leadership opportunities. The Carlton Academy Sixth Form also has a Student Committee who are extremely active within the Sixth Form through their organisation of charity events, social events and student voice.

Ms Jennings

Head of Post-16



Why come to The Carlton Academy?

The Carlton Academy Sixth Form students have two study spaces, one of which is in the new state of the art building that has recently opened.

Both are modern and exciting learning spaces which were designed by the students to meet their needs. It is of the quality and style found at Universities and something quite unique to a Sixth Form of our size. The centres have designated spaces for different types of study, including a quiet study area and an area for group study. Students are also able to borrow laptops to support their learning.

We also provide specialist areas to support technical subject areas including Photography, and students also have access to a range of facilities across the site including Science labs, Music rooms, Art rooms and Design Technology workshops.

The Carlton Academy is centred on an ambition to be the best and that applies to students and staff. Therefore, even more important than the physical resources are the staff who work here, all of whom are passionate about giving students the advice and support they need to achieve their full potential.

The quality of the teaching staff is the most consistent reason that students give for joining our Sixth Form. Specialist resources and a lower than average teacher to student ratio ensure that results are good, enabling a considerable number of our students to go onto University or Degree apprenticeships.

You will be treated as individuals in a more adult learning environment and will be encouraged to

take more personal responsibility for your own learning, development and progress.

With our positive, friendly and proactive approach to Sixth Form life, The Carlton Academy offers the perfect springboard to work or higher education.

I am the Trust Director of Post 16, and I work closely with each of the teams across our seven Sixth Forms. This allows us to share ideas and collaborate to provide you with an exceptional Post 16 experience. This means that when you join one of our Sixth Forms you are also part of a much wider community, dedicated to supporting you to achieve your ambitions.

Working together brings you many benefits; it enables our sixth forms to share the very best lessons, resources and extra-curricular sessions; it allows us to run exceptional programmes such as our Oxbridge preparation scheme, Medicine mock interview days, our Year 13 Moving On Day to prepare you for independence, our Stepping Up days and many apprenticeship and careers events. We also lead one of the largest HE+ hubs in the UK - this is a partnership with the University of Cambridge and offers some unique and exciting opportunities to our students.

I look forward to meeting you all and supporting you to achieve your ambitions.

Andy Edwards

Trust Director of Post 16

“ Students hold the sixth form in high regard.”

– Ofsted November 2022



“Students talk positively about the broad range of subjects they can choose to study.”

– Ofsted November 2022

High standards. High expectations

We take academic achievement and standards seriously. It means all students have to be prepared to make studying a priority. You will be joining a community of like-minded people who are determined to achieve the very best grades they can – and we will expect you to do the same.

Good attendance and punctuality are just as important in the Sixth Form. A good attendance record is an absolute requirement for continuing with any course.

The Sixth Form Student Committee plays a major role in the life of the Academy. This dedicated

team of students meets regularly with the Sixth Form team to discuss a range of day-to-day issues, which contributes to the effective leadership and management of the Sixth Form. This group is crucial in providing a voice to our students, we work together to raise money for charity and organise social events.

We encourage all our students to aim as high as possible, this includes extra support for those students applying to Oxford and Cambridge, which our students have successfully applied for and been accepted to.



“My Oxford journey first began with a mock biochemistry tutorial and a tour of a college on a school trip in year 11. While the thought of applying to Oxford appeared daunting and inaccessible to a non-private school student at the time, The Carlton Academy Sixth Form helped to dispel any stereotypes about the university and made a previously scary process an exciting one. They did this through providing endless help, ranging from invaluable feedback on my personal statement to organising a mock interview, which was pivotal in giving me the necessary confidence at each stage of the application process. The dedication of the Sixth Form staff in ensuring I was prepared, but also calm and assured throughout my university application is something I will continue to cherish. Without The Carlton Academy Sixth Form and their vital support, I would never have thought I would now be going to the same college I once toured as a hopeful Oxford prospect.”

- David, now studying Biochemistry at Hertford College, Oxford

Leadership and Enrichment Opportunities

Students are exceptionally well prepared for the next stage in their education, training or employment by the four core aims that are embedded throughout the Sixth Form:

- **Achieving Success**
- **Careers and Aspirations**
- **Health and Wellbeing**
- **Being a Global Citizen**

Our leadership and enrichment provision support these aims, examples of which include:

- Young Enterprise
- Head Boy and Head Girl
- Sixth Form Student Committee
- Extended Project Qualification
- Study skills workshops
- National Citizen Service
- Work experience programme
- Enrichment trips
- Comprehensive assembly and pastoral programme
- Careers programme including events and visits
- Paid work opportunities within school
- Mentoring programme
- Charity events across school

A message from the Head Boy & Head Girl

As Head Boy and Girl we welcome you to The Carlton Academy Sixth Form. Throughout our time at school, we have seen and experienced the crucial role The Carlton Academy has played in our development both academically and as individuals. From university visits to work experience, Sixth Form leadership opportunities to charity events, rewards trips to academic support, The Carlton Academy has it all.

Whatever your ambitions are, you will always have the full support of the Sixth Form team and fellow students, helping you to achieve your goals during a time of hard work and important decisions. Our Sixth Form, prides itself

on providing a safe and supportive learning environment, allowing all students the chance to succeed.

Our Sixth Form is the right place to continue your education and further develop the skills required for a successful career. It is important to us that our Sixth Form is an inclusive community where everyone can enjoy their time whilst working towards future success Post 18.



– Sam and Charlotte

Post-16 Subject List

A Level

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| • Art Photography | • Geography |
| • Biology | • Graphic Communication |
| • Business Studies | • History |
| • Chemistry | • Mathematics |
| • Computer Science | • Media Studies |
| • Design Technology | • Music |
| • Drama | • PE |
| • Economics | • Philosophy, Religion and Ethics (PRE) |
| • English Language | • Physics |
| • English Literature | • Politics |
| • Fine Art | • Psychology |
| • French | • Sociology |
| • Further Mathematics | • Spanish |

Level 3 Vocational Qualifications

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| • BTEC L3 Applied Science | • BTEC L3 IT |
| • BTEC L3 Business | • RSL L3 Sub Dip for Music Practitioners |
| • WJEC L3 Food Science and Nutrition | • BTEC L3 Sport |
| • CACHE L3 Health & Social Care | |

GCSE Re-sits

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| • GCSE English | • GCSE Mathematics |
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Entry Requirements

2024 Redhill Trust minimum entry requirements for Post 16 study.

All students must attain five 9-4 grades at GCSE (or BTEC equivalents) with preferably a grade 5 in either English Language or Mathematics. Individual subjects will require a specific grade in a particular subject at GCSE (see course booklet).

All students will be expected to choose 3 A levels / vocational qualifications which they will study for 2 years (the exception being students who study 3 A levels plus Further Mathematics) Students no longer sit an AS exam at the end of Year 12 but will sit all examinations at the end of Year 13.

All students will be interviewed by a member of the Sixth Form team. This will enable them to make an informed choice about the best subjects to suit their individual needs. Parents are welcome to discuss these choices with the Sixth Form team following the interview.



A message from the Redhill Academy Trust

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in The Carlton Academy Sixth Form, part of Redhill Academy Trust.

As CEO of Redhill Academy Trust, I believe strongly that successful academies have five key characteristics:


- High expectations of all students
- Valuing and celebrating academic achievement
- A commitment to equality and diversity
- Excellent teaching
- Widening students' experiences through a range of co-curricular activities, including sports, music and the performing arts.

These five principles guide the development of The Carlton Academy, in partnership with Redhill Academy Trust, for the coming years.

Working with Ms Egwuma and the whole staff at Carlton, our priority is to support the students and ensure that academic outcomes remain consistently high. This will continue to build on the academy's recent Ofsted report, which judged the school good in all areas.

I firmly believe that the next few years will be an exciting and very successful time for The Carlton Academy as it becomes the first choice school for all local parents and students.

Andrew Burns OBE
CEO, Redhill Academy Trust



“Students know leaders do everything possible to ensure that they receive a programme of study which is right for them.”

– Ofsted November 2022

What to do now

Read through the detailed information on specific courses in the separate course details.

Once you have made your decision, complete the application online which can be found on the sixth form section of the school website.

Good luck!

Deadline for Applications to Sixth Form:

Friday 1st December 2023

