

The Carlton Academy

Post-16 Prospectus

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A warm welcome to
The Carlton Academy

Thank you for taking the opportunity to explore what The Carlton Academy's Sixth Form has to offer students as they continue their journey to either higher education or full-time employment. We believe that our Sixth Form offers the range of courses, opportunities and experiences that support students to achieve future success and reach their full potential. We hope that our Sixth Form is the natural choice for Post-16 provision for all Year 11s in the Carlton area and beyond.

The Carlton Academy sits proudly at the heart of the community and is sponsored by Redhill Academy Trust; a local outstanding provider, operating under the experienced and nationally recognised leadership of Chief Executive, Andrew Burns. The Trust's mission is to ensure that all students, whatever their background and starting points, have the opportunity to achieve their full potential, both in terms of academic achievement and character development.

Ensuring academic success is our core purpose, but we balance that with the recognition that developing the holistic student is just as important. The culture of our Sixth Form encourages students to aspire for the future. We expect students to work hard, have high expectations, act with maturity and self-discipline and be the role models that our younger students one day aspire to be. In return, we provide exceptional teaching and pastoral support to ensure the very best opportunities for every Post-16 student.

Our employability programme supports students to explore their next steps throughout the two years they are with us, exposing students to the range of opportunities available to them Post-18. We support students to explore higher education, including specific support for those wishing to attend Oxbridge universities, higher-level apprenticeships and full-time employment options. This is complimented by our pastoral and enrichment programme which helps to develop the holistic Post-16 student, supporting them to develop the self-confidence, leadership skills and qualities to be successful throughout their courses and in the future.

Selecting the right Sixth Form is an important decision to make. When making the decision about your next step post-Year 11 it is important that you make an informed choice. This prospectus offers just a small glimpse of what we have to offer at The Carlton Academy. I am really proud of what our Sixth Form offers young people and I really encourage you to come and visit us and explore everything that we have to offer.

Mr G Hillyard
Head of School,
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 then the skills, knowledge and experiences to make competitive Post-18 applications. All students who applied were successful in gaining a place at University studying a variety of degree courses such as Archaeology, Computer Engineering and Aerospace Engineering, to Biochemistry, Nursing, Physics and Mathematics, Psychology, Law, Fine Art and Journalism, whilst others have successfully gained apprenticeships.

The Carlton Academy Sixth Form is a warm and friendly environment. We are a growing Sixth Form which 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 Sixth Form?

Sixth Form students study across two modern and exciting learning spaces. They include a brand-new state-of the art building designed by Sixth Form students and inspired by university facilities.

- Designated spaces for different types of study including quiet study and group study.
- Specialist areas for technical subjects like photography, science, music, art and design & technology.
- Laptops available to borrow to support learning.
- Passionate and expert staff always on hand with advice and support.
- Students say the quality of teaching is their main reason for choosing to study at Carlton.
- Lower than average teacher to student ratio allows for more focused teaching and 1:1 support.
- Our Sixth Form is the prefect springboard into higher education or work. We have an excellent track record of exam achievement and a considerable number of students go on to university or degree apprenticeships.
- You will be treated as an individual in a more adult learning environment and expected to take responsibility for your own learning, development and progress.

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.

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



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

– Ofsted

High standards.

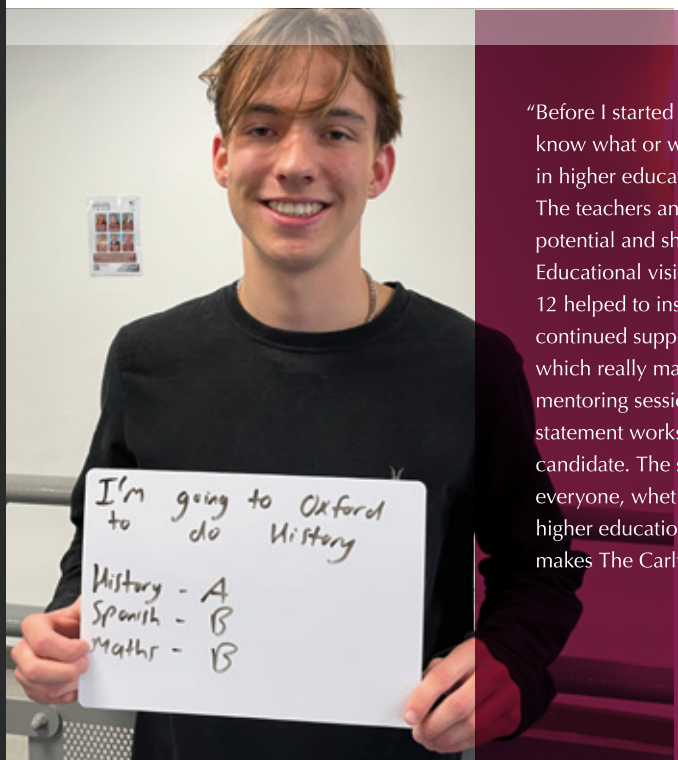
High expectations

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.



"Before I started at Carlton Academy Sixth Form, I didn't know what or where I wanted to study. I was interested in higher education, but Oxbridge wasn't on my radar. The teachers and staff at TCA helped me unlock my potential and show that Oxbridge was achievable. Educational visits to both Oxford and Cambridge in Year 12 helped to inspire me further. It was with the continued support throughout the application process which really made a difference: school organised mentoring sessions, interview practice and personal statement workshops which made me a competitive candidate. The same personal support is offered to everyone, whether they're looking to progress onto higher education or not which is what, in my opinion, makes The Carlton Academy Sixth Form special.."

- Daniel, now studying History at 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:

- Head Boy and Head Girl
- Sixth Form Student Committee
- Extended Project Qualification
- Study skills workshops
- 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
- Curriculum Plus

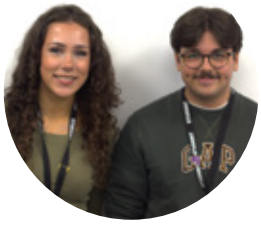
A message from the

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.



– Ellie and Rory

Post-16 Subject List

A Level

- Art Photography
- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Design Technology
- Drama
- English Language
- English Literature
- Fine Art
- French
- Further Mathematics
- Geography
- Government and Politics
- Art Graphics
- History
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Music
- PE
- Performing Arts
- Philosophy, Religion and Ethics (PRE)
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish

Level 3 Vocational Qualifications

- BTEC L3 Applied Science
- BTEC L3 Business
- WJEC L3 Food Science and Nutrition
- BTEC L3 Health & Social Care
- BTEC L3 Sport

GCSE Re-sits

- GCSE English
- GCSE Mathematics

Entry Requirements

2027 Redhill Trust minimum entry requirements for Post-16 study.

Students must achieve a minimum of five GCSEs at grades 9–4 (or equivalent BTEC qualifications), including at least a grade 4 in either English Language, English Literature or Mathematics.

In addition, students are required to gain a minimum grade 5 in the subject they wish to study at A Level. There are some exceptions to this. To study Mathematics a grade 6 at GCSE is required.

To study individual Science subjects at A Level, students must achieve either:

- a grade 6–6 in Combined Science, or
- a grade 6 in the specific Science subject they wish to study.

All students will be interviewed by a member of the Sixth Form team or SLT. 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 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 values:

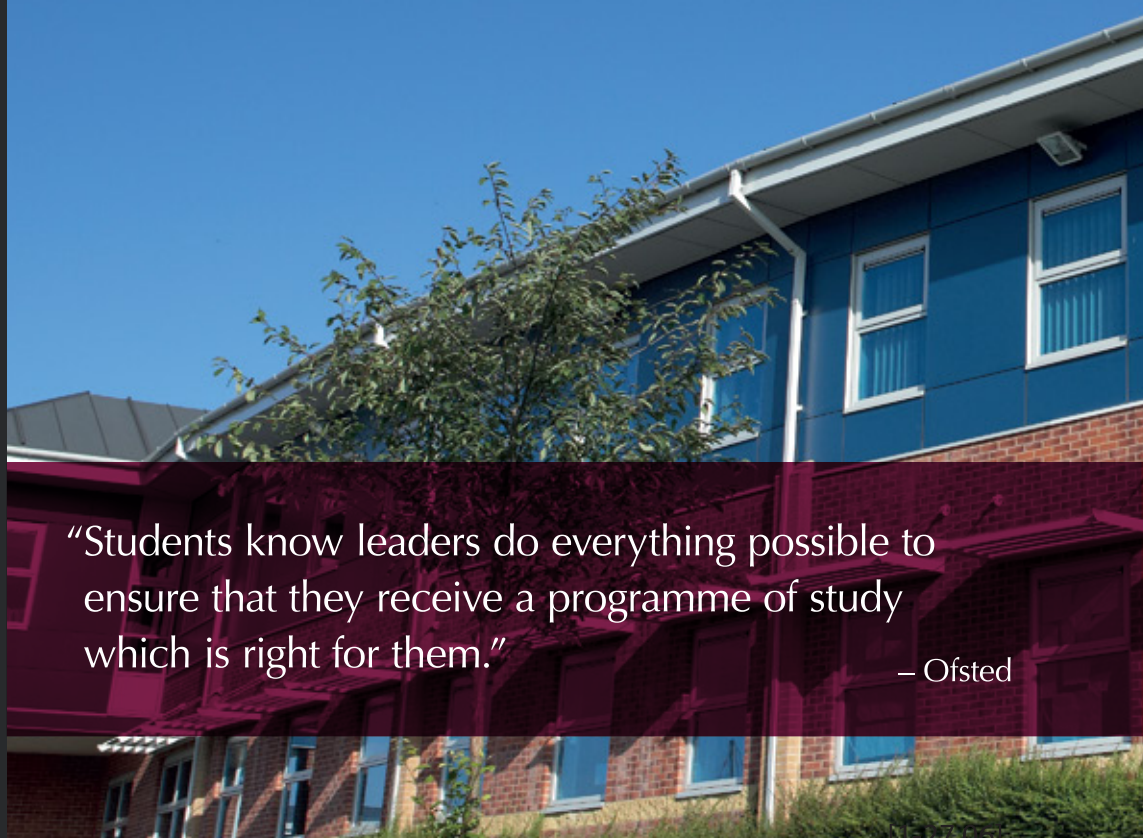
- High expectations of all students
- Valuing and celebrating academic achievement
- A commitment to equality and diversity
- Excellent teaching
- Widening students' experiences through a range of co-curricular activities, including sports, music and the performing arts.

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

Working with Mr Hillyard 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

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 18 December 2026



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