



**Kimberley
Sixth Form**

**Course Blocks and
Entry Criteria for
Admission in
September 2025**

For future progression upon leaving the college, it is important that students are enrolled on a suitable curriculum for their Post-16 studies. To assist students with a selection process we have created a core pathway of A Level subjects and a mixed pathway comprising of A Level and BTEC subjects. For applicants who are offered an interview, we will discuss course choices to make sure that they are cohesive and that they are made based on informed decisions and offer the best opportunity for progression.

Pathways are delimited by the average GCSE points awarded from all awarded grades at the end of Key Stage 4, with the best 8 subjects (including GCSE English and GCSE Mathematics). An average GCSE points score can be calculated by adding all the grades awarded to a learner and dividing by the number of subjects taken i.e. 8. Where a student has taken qualifications other than GCSE, the grade awarded in this subject is converted to a GCSE grade using the equivalence guide provided by the college on our website.

Indicative maximum class sizes are shown to the right of each subject in the table below.

Subjects indicated with (W) may be taught at our Wootton site.

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<u>Pathway Name</u>	<u>Subjects</u>	<u>Pathway Entry Criteria</u>			<u>Additional Subject Criteria</u>
		GCSE Average Points Score English and Mathematics plus BEST 6	GCSE English	GCSE Mathematics	
Core Pathway 3 A Levels *	Computer Science, Further Mathematics	5	5	7	
	Science, Mathematics, Economics, Business	5	5	6	Biology – 5, 5 in Combined Science OR Triple Science APS of 5 with a minimum of 5 in Biology Chemistry – 5,5 in Combined Science OR Triple Science APS of 5 with a minimum of 5 in Chemistry Physics – 5, 5 in Combined Science OR Triple Science APS of 5 with a minimum of 5 in Physics
	English Literature, English Language & Literature (combined), French, Geography, History, Law, Philosophy, Politics, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish	5	5	4	French – 5 in French Spanish – 5 in Spanish
	Art, Photography	4	4	4	Art – 5 in Art
Please be aware all BTEC subjects are Level 3 Diploma subjects and are equivalent to 2 subject choices, unless stated otherwise					
Mixed Pathway BTEC and A Level subjects **	Business & Marketing***, Creative Media, Graphics, Health & Social Care, Sports Studies	4	4	4	

* Note Further Mathematics will be selected with two other subjects which will be equivalent to 4 subjects.

** Entry criteria must have been met for the A Level subject over and above the BTEC.

*** Available only as a single BTEC (equivalent to 1 subject choice).

We understand that every applicant will have a different experience and reserve the right to amend the above criteria in exceptional circumstances.

Cognitive Ability Tests (CAT)

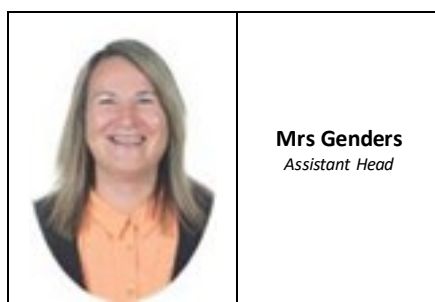
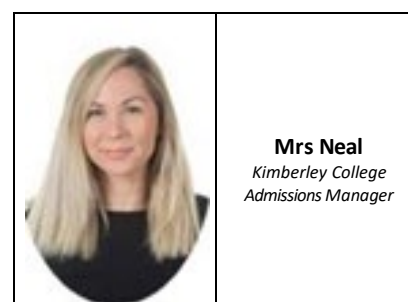
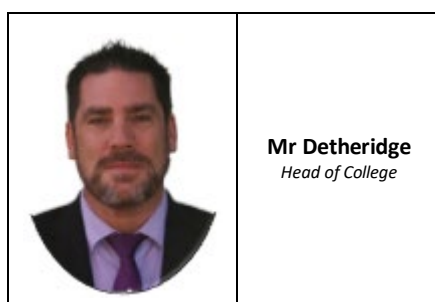
Applicants will only be made a conditional offer once the full application process has been completed. This year we require all applicants to have completed an online Cognitive Ability Test (CAT) before our conditional offers are made. These tests will be hosted at Kimberley College, and will take place in the week of 6th January 2025. The data from the CAT will assist the college in understanding the learning needs of each applicant and may assist us in discussions about appropriate subject combinations. We will also use the data to compliment final GCSE results in the summer when we enrol our new intake.

Dates for Your Diary

Deadline for application	Monday 2nd December
Cognitive ability test (CAT)	W/C Monday 6th January
Deadline for sending conditional offers	Wednesday 12th February
Deadline for acceptance or rejection of conditional offers	10 school days after offer sent
GCSE results day and enrolment day	Thursday 21st August
Deadline to complete enrolment	10.00am Friday 22nd August

These dates are important to secure your place.

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