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THE SIXTH FORM



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School for Girls



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## Message from the Principal

It is hard to sum up all that we offer at The Folkestone School for Girls into just a few short sentences. How can I do justice to the breadth of our academic offer, the myriad of co-curricular opportunities, the countless hours that our staff will put in to helping you achieve your goals, the hundreds of trips and visits each year to bring the curriculum to life, the ever expanding list of resources and facilities that we offer and the awards and accolades bestowed on our school in recognition of all of the above? It is, frankly, an impossible task to capture the daily buzz of our school as we go about making your education mean so much more than just outstanding qualifications; about making your education really matter. What I can promise though is this:

**You will leave us with outstanding academic qualifications, of course, but...**

**You will** also leave us with the attributes necessary to challenge yourself; to be confident, successful and adaptable; to **change your world**.

**You will** have the knowledge, the skills, and the drive, paired with courage, wisdom, optimism and the values to **change the world**.

Intellect and character. This is our curriculum. It is what we do. It is who we are. We are extremely proud of it.

Your journey continues. Your destination awaits.

Welcome aboard!

**Mr Mark Lester, Principal.**



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## Message from the Head of Sixth Form

In our sixth form we endeavour to offer not only a range of subjects to study to further your knowledge and academic skills, but also a variety of opportunities to enhance your wider knowledge and character. We feel that enabling you to experience and develop a range of skills and interests has numerous benefits. Not only for the here and now while in the sixth form, but to also make you stand out in job and further education applications for years to come.

I want all sixth form students who leave us at the end of Year 13 to have positive memories of the past two years, and to feel excited and well prepared for the next step they wish to take. We provide guidance and support to enable you to make informed decisions regarding your options after sixth form. Whether that is Higher Education, an apprenticeship, or employment, our sixth form team guide and support you to ensure that you acquire places at institutions and businesses that are right for you. Our goal is to raise awareness of the range of opportunities available, and to help you achieve them.

The combination of excellent teaching, high quality care and support, and an array of opportunities, equates to an all-round sixth form package that will ensure the development of well-rounded young adults, who are then ready to thrive.

I look forward to helping you navigate through your journey to get you to your next destination.

**Mrs Ashley Hagedorn, Head of Sixth Form**





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## Entry Requirements

For entry onto our A Level and BTEC courses we require:

- a minimum of 6 separately identifiable GCSE subjects at an average grade 5.5 or above and at least a grade 5 in English Language and Mathematics;
- a grade 6 or above in the chosen course of study or a related subject as specified in the sixth form prospectus.
- two grade 7s in Mathematics or Sciences, to study 2 or more Sciences or Mathematics and Science.





## Ethos

We value determination, energy and enthusiasm, and in the sixth form you will have the freedom to explore a lively and varied curriculum. We value kindness and compassion above all else and would expect the same from all students. With a strong sense of community and a warm and welcoming ethos, our sixth form strikes the right balance between the pursuit of academic achievement and the need for empathy and individuality.



## Achievements

A passionate and skilled staff deliver consistently outstanding teaching. All students achieve an impressive selection of qualifications that enable them to either continue their learning journey beyond sixth form at the perfect destination for their individual needs, or enter the world of work with confidence and ambition. We will help you harness your full potential, giving you both the support and the challenges that you need to flourish. We are proud, not only of the consistently outstanding outcomes attained in our sixth form, but also of the personal development that we see in our students.





## Opportunities

We believe in the importance of a healthy body and mind, and with a spectacular variety of facilities on offer, we provide you with a wealth of opportunities to enrich your time with us beyond the classroom. Whether it be engaging in the debating society or venturing on International Visits; hosting your own radio show or scaling the rock-climbing wall; you will find an opportunity that challenges you beyond the studied curriculum. Skills learnt outside of the classroom will enable you to thrive in every adventure.



## Individual

A bespoke curriculum offer, together with a superb collection of enrichment opportunities, means that the sixth form is a place for you to truly express yourself. We offer masterclasses on a wide collection of topics, and organise a range of extra-curricular activities in order to enrich the experience of all students. We foster an environment of self-discovery, and value the personal journey of all students. We will support you on the path to becoming the person that you aspire to be.





## Beyond

All journeys are different, and we will develop a bespoke pathway to help you achieve your individual aims. With careers guidance and expert advice in higher education always available, we are excited to help you plot the path to a bright and brilliant future. A high proportion of our students go on to Higher Education each year. Equally, we provide help and support for those students who wish to undertake an apprenticeship or perhaps wish to enter the world of employment directly.

We may be just two years of a long journey, but we will prepare you academically and personally for the adventure ahead.

