



ISLEWORTH &
SYON SCHOOL
— SIXTH FORM —

SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS

"The school's strong ethos and values permeate all aspects of school life and underpin the improvements in outcomes." CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW

WELCOME TO ISLEWORTH & SYON SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

Our mixed Sixth Form is extremely successful and offers the opportunity to continue post-sixteen studies in a highly supportive environment. We are a school with a long history of success and one where we blend traditional values and innovation as we see our students develop into confident, courteous and ambitious young people.

Our primary aim is to ensure that all Sixth Form students experience an academic education of the highest standard. We do this by providing a wide range of courses, combined with outstanding teaching in an excellent learning environment. Our students also take advantage of the many opportunities, beyond the classroom, and enjoy the support and guidance from their individual tutor.



TEACHING & FACILITIES

Whether a student has been consistently successful throughout their schooling so far or they would welcome the chance to reset personal goals, our expert teachers and tutors will ensure that they experience great teaching and support as they prepare for higher education or employment. Every teaching area is modern and impressive, and our specialist learning facilities are second-to-none.

The Sixth Form Study Room is an excellent environment where students can focus on their studies during non-contact time. There are dedicated ICT resources in the Study Room and students can also bring their own devices. With access to the school's restaurant and next to four dining rooms, there is plenty of room to create the perfect private study area. Facilities are available before school and after school for Sixth Form students.

There is a range of leisure and recreational facilities open to Sixth Form students, the most recent of which is the school's third-generation Astroturf.

"The strong commitment of staff to meet the needs of pupils is evident." OFSTED



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND PROVISION FOR THE MOST ABLE

We pride ourselves on our successes.

Over 35% of our A-Level grades are A*-A, and for Level 3 vocational courses, 80% of grades are Distinction*/Distinction. Students who study with us consistently make above average progress.

We have the highest expectations of all our students and are interested in the progress and achievement of them all.

We have a long and established track record of ensuring that our highest achievers access the best universities in the world, whether this is Oxford or Cambridge or those in the Russell Group.

Students also access the top drama and music schools, including RADA, LAMDA, The Royal College of Music and Guildhall. We are also supporting rising numbers of students setting their sights on study in universities around the world.



UCAS PROVISION AND WORK EXPERIENCE

For those wishing to go on to higher education we have a specific programme to help make the decision about the best place for further study. We host universities visits at school and provide a range of alumni talks for our current students. In the summer term of Year 12 we provide a week of guided support from our UCAS team as students prepare for making their final university applications.

Work experience opportunities are provided for those students on vocational courses and we will also support our other students in accessing specialised work placements either locally or indeed across the world.



“There is a culture of high aspiration. Leaders and teachers are very ambitious for the school and for the students, and work together to ensure that students have the best possible opportunities.” CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW



“Relationships in the classroom between students and between students and adults are excellent. Students are very appreciative of all the extra effort teachers make to help them to achieve both within and beyond the classroom.” CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW

STUDENT SUPPORT



Each student is allocated a tutor who is their first point of contact for day-to-day communication and addressing any needs and concerns. The tutor team is led by the Head of Sixth Form and the Deputy Head of Sixth Form.

We use a data tracking system to follow student progression through the Sixth Form. This helps to inform the staff team about successes and when support might be needed for individual students.

There are also various points in the academic year where we communicate student progress with parents/carers.



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



We are very proud of how our Sixth Form students play an active role in the school. Apart from the various formal positions of responsibility within the student leadership team, we also see students taking on the leadership of various aspects of school life.

As examples, students are given specialist training to work on a one-to-one basis with students from the lower school; those on sport-related courses work as Sports Leaders and there are a number of charity events throughout the school year.

These activities provide the chance for students to demonstrate skills, character and resilience help them prepare for later life.



“Students in the Sixth Form are typically positive about the support that they receive.” CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND ENRICHMENT



Like life, making the most of the Sixth Form is achieved by grasping the available opportunities. Our school is distinctive in offering a wide range of additional opportunities throughout the school and Sixth Form.

A wide range of activities to support the curriculum are planned each year from the very successful Medic Club to business trips and mentoring sessions and entrepreneurial activities.



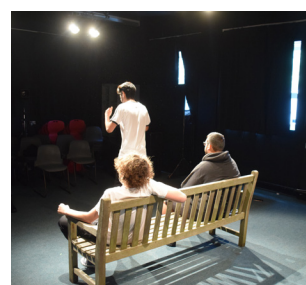
Trips and visits are constant features of school life and we have formed a new partnership with a school in France where students can take part in cultural and sporting exchange programmes.

Our sporting provision is unrivalled in the local area with Sixth Form teams across a range of sports. There are also many opportunities for social sporting activities and students utilise the floodlit astro, sports hall or athletics track for a sporting event.



We are the only local school accredited to run expeditions for The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme at Gold level and we have a thriving group of students who continue or start the scheme in the Sixth Form.

Our 'I&S Inspires' programme sees a range of visitors to the school providing sessions for those interested in particular fields of study or career paths.



ISLEWORTH & SYON ALUMNI



Taheen Modak
Professional actor in television, theatre, and voice work

Wellington Primary School
Isleworth & Syon School
Bristol Old Vic Theatre School

Taheen completed qualifications in business and the Level 3 BTEC in performing arts, where he attained a Distinction, achieving full marks in several of his performance modules.

After taking a Gap Year, he auditioned for various drama schools and was given a place at the Bristol Old Vic. Since graduating, he has worked on a variety of professional acting projects, including main roles in ITV drama ‘The Bay’ and Sky’s comedy-drama ‘Two Weeks to Live’. He has also appeared in the West End, in ‘The American Clock’ at the Old Vic.



Jamain Graveney
Senior Propositions Manager at Barclays UK

Lionel Primary School
Isleworth & Syon School
The University of Bristol

After graduating from university, Jamain has worked variously as a Management Consultant, Financial Services Regulator and, most recently, as a banker working for Barclays.

Currently, he works in a senior position at Barclays UK. He is also an investor, largely in property and start-ups, and an entrepreneur.

“The school aims to give students a broad and rich cultural and educational experience and there are numerous extra-curricular activities, trips and visits which contribute to the strong spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of the boys.” CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW



Jason Arora
MD & Medical Lead at Verily, Alphabet (Google Life Science)

Marlborough Primary School
Isleworth & Syon School
St. John’s College, Oxford

After grading with a first class honours degree, Jason practiced as a medical doctor in the UK before winning the Fulbright and British University of North America Trust Scholarships to study public health at Harvard.

He is now a globally recognised expert in health systems transformations, dedicating himself to using science to improve the quality of healthcare across the world. He has also served on the World Economic Forum. In 2017 was named on the Forbes’ 30 under 30 Healthcare and Science List of ‘the world’s brightest young entrepreneurs, break-out talents and game-changers’.

“Teachers plan lessons which motivate and engage the students. Well-established routines help to ensure that in lessons the students are sharply focused on learning. Students enjoy learning and take pride in their work.” CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW



Mo Farah
Quadruple Olympic champion long-distance runner

Feltham Community College
Isleworth & Syon School Sixth Form
St. Mary’s University, Twickenham

Mo joined our Sixth Form, specifically to benefit from the support of specialist staff whilst he balanced a developing sporting career alongside his academic studies.

His athletic achievements include four Olympic gold medals - over 5,000m and 10,000m - making him the most successful British track Olympian in history. With multiple world medals in addition to national, European and world records, his sporting career has been sustained and impressive.



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