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Dear Students, Parents & Carers,

I would like to welcome you to our sixth form prospectus for 2023 entry, whether you are currently at John Kyrle High School or considering becoming one of the very many students who join us from neighbouring schools new to the sixth form. I hope you will trust our record of expertise and excellence in post-16 education. We have a vibrant, strong community, full of ambitious and positive young people and I very much hope you will be part of the future at JKHS.

We are hugely proud of the outstanding attainment of the sixth form at John Kyrle. Our A\*- B pass rate has been above 50% over the last 15 years, and at or above 60% for the past ten years. Prior to COVID and teacher assessed grading, the sixth form was awarded a top 2% national grading by ALPS for value added – the highest testament to our success and focus on each student's individual achievement. Our 2022 cohort results were again, hugely successful; our wonderful students overcame extended periods of disruption to their learning and through a dedicated and ambitious approach, they had well-deserved success. The sixth form achieved an exceptional 63% A\*-B at A-level with 84% of all grades at C grade or above. This is one of the highest results in the school's history. The BTEC subjects achieved at a similarly high level with 67% of all grades at distinction or above.

JKHS sixth formers always move on to a diverse range of futures and have been ably supported in their endeavour by the sixth form pastoral team. On results day this year, students left us for a range of employment opportunities with apprenticeships in pharmacy, accountancy, engineering at Rolls Royce, Airbus and GCHQ. We send many creative individuals on to further education particularly to study art foundation courses. With the world opening to travel again, post-COVID, several students are off on a voyage of adventure to see the world for their gap years. University destinations remain popular with an incredibly broad range of courses selected and all students who wanted to attend university, gained a place, with the vast majority in their first-choice institution. Creative routes include electronic music to creative writing, the humanities are strongly represented with geography, history and anthropology and the sciences include choices such as astrophysics, neuroscience, and aerospace engineering. As ever we have students attending a range of elite universities including Oxford, Bristol, Manchester, Birmingham, Sheffield, and Leeds and to read courses such as medicine, classics, Spanish and Arabic and Law.

At JKHS we are also committed to developing well-rounded young people. Our PSHE programme, and support from the experienced pastoral team, ensures our students move forward equipped with a broad understanding and knowledge of the world. Our preferred entrance requirement is five grade 5s at GCSE, including mathematics and an English qualification. Students will be informed if subjects become oversubscribed. The application process need not be fraught, and we will, as always, treat each individual application on its merits. Please contact me for clarification or support at any point.

Generally, all our subjects run within the timetabled school hours, but very occasionally subjects (such as Geology) run after-school sessions - we will inform students at the earliest juncture if this is to be the case. In the unlikely event that parents/carers would be responsible for transport, school would work with them on this.

For any specific careers advice please refer your son/daughter to Mrs Knapper, their tutor or mentor, or contact me at school. Students are entering an ever-more competitive world, whether they are headed to university, employment, or further training, and we maintain our commitment to achieving "first-choice futures for all'.

We very much hope you will choose to join us in your next steps.

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Mrs H Bolt Head of Sixth Form

## **Guide to application:**

- Please either click on the link below or scan the QR code to complete the initial application process.
- Please follow the prompts to enter personal and contact details.
- Please choose the three subjects that you would like to study. Students who wish to study four A Levels will have the option to do so on a case-by-case basis once the option blocks have been formalised in phase two.
- The initial application process will open on the 18th of November and will remain open until the 5th of December.
- In phase two of the process, we will construct the options blocks based on common subject choice combinations. This will be emailed to you, to confirm your place on the available courses. (Please note, courses will only run if there are sufficient students to make them viable.)

Course information, including exam boards, specifications and course content is all available in the subject booklet.

Link to initial application form: https://forms.office.com/r/3NN2azTH0W

