



MORPETH SCHOOL



SIXTH FORM

"KEY TO MAINTAINING THE SCHOOL'S EXCELLENCE IS A POWERFUL CULTURE AND ETHOS, BASED ON A STRONG, SHARED COMMITMENT TO MEETING STUDENTS' NEEDS."

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WELCOME TO MORPETH SIXTH FORM

WHY CHOOSE US?

We believe you should choose us for three essential reasons:

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Our sixth form builds on our long standing success at GCSE level where results are consistently above the national average. We offer a broad range of subjects and many of our students have gone on to study at top universities across the country, including medicine at UCL; Politics, Philosophy and Economics at Manchester, and drama at RADA.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS' PERSONAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

We have a strong tutoring system at Morpeth which means that every student is known, monitored, supported and challenged. You will follow a tutorial programme which develops your critical thinking, and prepares you for when you leave sixth form.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We offer a wealth of enrichment opportunities to help broaden your options and prepare you for the future.

ABOUT MORPETH SCHOOL

We are a co-educational school for pupils aged 11 to 18, based in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. In May 2013, we achieved our second successive 'Outstanding' Ofsted rating. All aspects of our school including 'pupil achievement', 'behaviour' and 'quality of teaching' were judged to be 'outstanding'.

We are part of the Cambridge Heath Sixth Form Partnership which is made up of Morpeth, Oaklands, and Swanlea Schools. We have over 350 students based at Morpeth which is divided between our main school site and our dedicated sixth form centre, the Wessex Wing.

STUDENT LIFE





At Morpeth Sixth Form you can choose from a broad range of BTEC and A Level courses, and take part in a number of life enhancing and stimulating extracurricular activities.

We benefit from a main school site and a separate sixth form building called the Wessex Wing. Both sites have dedicated sixth form facilities, which include quiet study areas, room for socialising, a separate canteen, and facilities for students to make their own refreshments during break times.

Our study rooms are fully equipped with computers and the internet. All study areas are supervised by teachers and academic mentors who, when not providing one to one support in their specialist subjects, are also available for more general academic support.

Sixth formers are expected to be role models for all ages in the school and may find it fulfilling to participate in mentoring lower school pupils, or taking up leadership roles.

Volunteering is a key aspect of life at Morpeth, and sixth formers often lead in fundraising events such as Red Nose Day and Children in Need, and take part in events organised with local and national charities. We expect each student to undertake 30 hours of volunteering in Year 12.

Sixth form is an important phase in the journey towards university or the world of work. Our dedicated higher education advisory team and experienced tutors will help you explore a range of possibilities and turn them into reality.



“ALL GROUPS OF STUDENTS MAKE RAPID PROGRESS WHATEVER THEIR BACKGROUNDS – LESSONS ARE EXCITING AND STIMULATE THE STUDENTS’ IMAGINATIONS.”

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CHOOSING THE RIGHT COURSES

YOU WILL NEED TO ASK YOURSELF

- What am I good at?
- Which subjects most interests me?
- What do I want to do when I leave school?

BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISIONS

- Understand that A levels and Level 3 BTECs are much harder than GCSEs. The next two years will be the hardest of your academic life so far.
- Look closely at the wide range of courses we offer.
- Remember the best way to succeed is to choose subjects you enjoy studying.
- Details of courses can be found at the back of this prospectus and on our website: www.morpethschool.org.uk

“MORALE IS HIGH BECAUSE TEACHERS FEEL TREATED AS PROFESSIONALS. THEY DO NOT ACCEPT ANYTHING BUT THE BEST FROM THEMSELVES AND THE STUDENTS.”

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AIMING HIGH

At Morpeth, we are committed to supporting you with planning for life after sixth form, whether you choose to go on to university, to take up an apprenticeship, or to get a job.

We recognise the importance of providing you with a wide range of activities that help broaden your choices and experiences, and will give you the competitive edge when moving on.

Our academic mentors provide additional subject support on a one to one basis to help raise attainment. All students have access to careers and higher education advice from a specialist advisor and we organise visits and residentials to universities across the UK.

We have a dedicated Partnerships Manager who gives support with university and job applications, and co-ordinates business mentoring, work experience, as well as a range of opportunities through our partners in business and the arts.

STUDENTS THIS YEAR BENEFITED FROM:

- Work experience with Investec Bank, Ashurst LLP, Hermes Fund Managers, the Resolution Foundation and many more
- The Construction Youth Trust's Budding Brunels Plus programme for those interested in engineering or the built environment
- Assistance with applying for Medicine, such as support with finding medical work placements, UKCAT and BMAT preparation, and participation in programmes including 'Next Top Doctor'
- Support from Oxbridge Applications for university interviews.



“STUDENTS ARE VERY EAGER TO LEARN AND A STRIKING FEATURE IS THE WAY IN WHICH THEY WORK COLLABORATIVELY. THEY KNOW HOW TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER AND BEHAVIOUR IN LESSONS AND AROUND THE SCHOOL IS IMPECCABLE.”

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STUDENT GUIDANCE

We believe that by respecting and valuing all members of our sixth form community, and by providing the right balance of challenge and support, everyone can achieve success.

We regularly review your progress against expectations and ensure systems are put in place to support you if you fall behind.

Building on the outstanding support and guidance systems that exist in the rest of the school, we provide:

- A Head of Year who monitors overall academic progress and ensures that support is provided to help you achieve the very best results

- A tutor who provides day to day contact, monitoring and support, as well as regular mentoring meetings
- Student attendance and support services to help maintain excellent attendance and to provide support with practical issues such as free school meals, travel and the 16-19 bursary
- A professional counsellor
- SEN learning support where needed.

We maintain close links with parents through parents' and other information evenings; we also provide parents with regular updates on progress.

ENRICHMENT



Life at Morpeth is more than studying for exams. We believe that students should have the opportunity to develop their interests and discover new aptitudes and skills.

YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN:

- Trips in the UK and abroad: Outward Bound; Duke of Edinburgh Expeditions; university residentials, and subject related trips to various locations in Europe
- Sports and fitness activities: use of the multi-gym; drop in sessions for sixth formers; the chance to support younger students in sports activities, and sixth form sports clubs
- Performances, productions and concerts; subsidised trips to the theatre and music events, offered first to students who do lots of volunteering
- Community and citizenship events; involvement in local charities such as Intergeren, Help the Aged, City Farms; and larger charities such as Free the Children and Amnesty International
- Leadership challenges such as Zero Heroes, a peer mentoring scheme to prevent bullying within schools; Mindful Mentor training; Whitechapel Art Gallery and Rich Mix Youth Ambassadors
- Student voice opportunities whereby sixth form students act as Chair and Secretary to the Student Leadership Team and receive training on running meetings
- Debating club, book club, film club, current affairs club, girls group; boys group; cookery enrichment, and Sixth Form Happiness Ambassadors.



EXCELLENCE THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

Morpeth Sixth Form has built up many partnerships, which enrich and inspire our students.

We benefit from our location in the heart of London, which is home to our many partners in business, the arts and some of the top universities in the country.

We also have well developed partnerships with universities and organisations outside of London.

OUR PARTNERS INCLUDE:

Lloyds
Guildhall
Wadham
Barbican
Investec
Ashurst
Intouni
Construction Youth Trust
Oxbridge Applications
CISI
Mercers



WADHAM COLLEGE
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DIRECTIONS TO MORPETH SCHOOL

Take the **Central Line** to **Bethnal Green Station**

There are four exits from Bethnal Green Station – take the one signposted **Roman Road** (sharp left from the exit barrier). When you come out of the station you should stand with the church on your left and the park on your right. There are always lots of people around – just ask if you are unsure.

Walk along **Roman Road** heading East until you reach **Globe Road** which will be on your right. Turn right onto **Globe Road**.

Walk along **Globe Road** until you reach the railway bridge. Just before the bridge, on the left, is **Portman Place**.

Turn into **Portman Place** and the school is directly in front of you.

ALTERNATIVELY

Use **District Line** to **Stepney Green**.

Come out of the station, turn left into **Globe Road**.

Walk along **Globe Road** until you get to the **railway bridge**.

Go under the bridge – **Portman Place** is the next turning on the right.

