

16 June 2021

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for making an application to Ripley St Thomas Sixth Form.

Please see attached the 'Year 11 Applicant Newsletter' with a welcome message from Mrs Blundell-Roberts, Head of Year 12. We have included some tips which will be helpful as you prepare for your next steps into sixth form.

Our virtual Sixth Form Induction Day is on Tuesday 22nd June. On this day, we will provide more information about life in the Sixth Form and the opportunities we offer at Ripley. There will be a FAQs section and video messages from our current Year 12 students.

The Sixth Form Bridging Units are now available to be downloaded from the sixth form section of the school website [here](#). These will support you to make a successful transition from GCSE to sixth form courses. The Bridging Units will give you a good grounding in the subject and provide a flavour of the type of work you will be studying, allowing you to make a successful start to your courses. All students are required to complete the bridging units in their chosen subjects before starting Sixth Form. You will need to bring all completed units to your first lessons in September.

We have a three week transition period at the start of Year 12. This gives you time to settle in as you adjust to sixth form life and study. It's an opportunity for you and for us to decide whether you are on the right courses and whether you might need some additional support in a particular subject. Any changes will take place at the end of this transition period.

Your place in the sixth form is conditional on meeting the entry requirements. The sixth form entry requirement is five GCSE passes at Grade 5 including a grade 5 in English Language and also meeting the individual course requirements in your chosen subjects. [Subject Entry Requirements 2021-2022](#)

We will be sending you information on how to enrol over the next few weeks. The enrolment process will be online. Enrolment will open at 9am on Thursday 12th August, GCSE Results Day, and you will be able to enrol online from that time until 3pm on Monday 16th August. You will be notified that you are formally enrolled by Tuesday 24th August.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Sixth Form.

Yours faithfully

Malcolm Sim
Head of Sixth Form

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