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THE MOSSLANDS SCHOOL | **SIXTH FORM**



Leaders are committed to achieving the best educational outcomes for their students

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The overall effectiveness of the Sixth Form is good

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I am delighted that you are showing an interest in joining the Sixth Form at The Mosslands School. Every year the majority of our Year 11 students are offered a place as well as a number from other schools in the wider area. I am extremely proud of the environment, atmosphere and work ethic in our Sixth Form and our achievement at all levels.

To enter the Sixth Form the process begins with all prospective students being interviewed. There are a wide range of academic courses at A Level as well as a broad range of Level 2 and Level 3 vocational courses. To be successful at post-sixteen level you need to be able to follow a pathway that is not only suited to your learning style but more importantly one that makes you happy. The high quality pastoral care given, provides you with information, advice and guidance tailored to suit your specific needs. You also receive help with UCAS choices and applications, apprenticeship and job applications.

The atmosphere we cultivate in our Sixth Form enables you to work in a mature and professional manner, as we encourage you to take responsibility for your studies and conduct. In return for our commitment and dedication to you, we expect hard work and a positive contribution to the ethos of our whole school community.

The subjects and courses on offer are detailed within the Sixth Form section of the school website where they can also be downloaded. They are also available from subject departments and the Sixth Form Team.

I hope that you enjoy reading this prospectus and can take the time to find out more about The Mosslands School Sixth Form.

If you have any questions regarding any of the information in this prospectus, or if you would like to arrange a visit to the school, please feel free to contact me directly.

I look forward to meeting you and to working with you in the future.

Mrs C Danher
Director of Sixth Form



Outcomes and destinations beyond post sixteen are excellent. The majority of our students progress to university, apprenticeships, employment and training schemes. We pride ourselves on ensuring that students are fully prepared for their next steps. We have had students study at Oxford and Cambridge Universities and other Russell Group establishments, as well as in many other universities. In addition, some have progressed onto prestigious training schemes and advanced apprenticeships.

As an individual student you will be treated as such. Your curriculum, your advice and guidance and your whole experience of being a member of the Sixth Form will be individualised to ensure you progress to become the very best person you can be.

Welcome

Teaching & Learning

At The Mosslands School we have a team of dedicated, highly-qualified and experienced staff, who will help you to perform well and set you on the path to success beyond Sixth Form.

Clear targets enable you to understand your progress and plan effectively and realistically for the future.

We make regular contact with parents or carers and monitor progress closely.

The overall quality of students' personal development and well-being is outstanding
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There is a very friendly, welcoming atmosphere, where the teachers are supportive and approachable and show a great attitude towards improving your learning
Student

Students speak highly of the pastoral support they enjoy. They know there is always useful guidance on any personal issues they may have, and they feel very confident to talk to teachers about any problems
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Support & Guidance

We provide excellent pastoral support and guidance for the future.

Timetabled enrichment lessons include PSHE, careers and study skills support.

You will see your tutor every day and have the opportunity to discuss your progress and other issues. Tutors also support Year 13 students with UCAS and other applications in conjunction with the Head of Sixth Form and the school's Career Connect representative.

The Sixth Form Team's "open door" policy means that students are happy and are able to seek help and support whenever they need them.

Sixth Form students set a very good example to main school students. They are a positive influence and contribute to the life of the school and local community
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Enrichment Opportunities

Not only has The Mosslands School Sixth Form enabled my son to improve academically, but it has also allowed him to develop a more independent and confident approach to life
Parent

- Two sports halls, one with gym facilities.
- Students have a full afternoon each timetable cycle, during which they can choose from a host of on-site and off-site activities, including work experience and volunteering.
- Rugby and football teams.
- Music facilities.
- Involvement in the school community supporting students in other years, for example Year 7 and 8 reading support.
- Involvement in the wider community through charity work and volunteering. This includes work in primary schools.
- Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award.
- A student council with working parties for, amongst other things, ICT and catering provision, to name just two.
- Becoming a STE@M ambassador.
- A timetabled enrichment course.
- Work experience in Year 12.
- Close links with local universities.
- Visits – curriculum-related and recreational – for example, battlefields trip, ski trip.
- Students can also become involved in the Afritwin link with schools in South Africa and Namibia.

◀ The Sixth Form is good. Students are well taught, follow courses tailored to their abilities, and receive good advice about the next stages of their education and employment ▶
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◀ How impressive! The range of activities they demonstrated was vast – no student would leave that school without an understanding of the careers and opportunities that a STEM background can enable ▶

Michelle Dow,
Managing Director
All About STEM

A **STE@M** Centre of Excellence



Maths
Engineering
Technology
Science

The Mosslands School has a strong tradition in promoting top performances at AS and A Level within the STE@M subjects of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths. Much more than just STEM, the addition of the arts is a real strength to our school and its broad curriculum. In light of this continued success, we are a nationally recognised STE@M Centre of Excellence and have formed a very strong working relationship with 'All About STEM' to allow prestigious opportunities to be offered to our Sixth Form students. This unique relationship will serve to provide the most-able students with an experience unmatched in the North-West region, even by selective schools. Those expected to study maths, physics or chemistry and/or engineering at Level 3 will be exposed to a number of enrichment activities that will develop their skills and knowledge ready to take their place at university.

In recent years our Sixth Form students have completed very successful Nuffield bursaries, won the coveted Liverpool Physics Olympics title and have accepted places at some of the top universities in the country to study STEM subjects. If 58% of all new jobs (Confederation of British Industry) are to be STE@M related then is a STE@M subject at The Mosslands School Sixth Form an opportunity you can afford to miss?

EDUCATION

BTEC Level 3
Subsidiary Diploma in
Public Services
(1 A-Level equivalent)

BTEC Level 3 Diploma in
Public Services
(2 A-Level equivalent)

BTEC Level 3
Extended Diploma in Public
Services
(3 A-Level equivalent)

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL PREPARATION

Individual fitness
training for protective services
entry

Mental Resilience Training
(MRT)

Health and lifestyle education

Sports and team games

CAREERS AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Careers and Employment

Syllabus
(public and private sector)

The Duke of Edinburgh's
Gold Award

First Aid and CPR

The Protective Services Academy is a bespoke academic and personal development programme designed for Sixth Form students interested in a career in one of the many protective services in the UK such as armed forces, police, fire, prison services or border forces, or even third sector organisations such as RNLI or Mountain Rescue.

This programme will provide the students with a nationally recognised qualification as well as the knowledge, leadership skills and physical and mental robustness that will support them while joining the protective services, gaining employment or an apprenticeship in the security sector or moving on to university study.

Protective Services Academy

The Protective Services Academy differs substantially from BTEC Public Services and military preparation courses offered in many colleges, which often fail to effectively prepare individuals holistically for entry into the protective services, either through too much focus on the academic qualifications (BTEC qualifications) or a narrow focus on a single protective service (military preparation).

Engineering

With an engineer in the UK currently earning an average salary of more than £45,000, why would you not consider an engineering pathway as one of your options? We are the only school on the Wirral to have a full time partnership with the Engineering College based at Monk's Ferry in Birkenhead. Offering both Level 2 and Level 3 courses, our students are able to study 2 or 3 days a week for an engineering qualification whilst still remaining a member of The Mosslands School Sixth Form and studying for other A Levels or vocational qualifications at school.

A typical week would be:

Monday: Engineering College
Tuesday: School based subjects
Wednesday: School based subjects and games afternoon
Thursday: Work Experience
Friday: Engineering College

Utilising the exceptional facilities at the college and the staff skill set, we are able to offer a unique and fully tailored course that allows the students full access to the world of engineering and its component parts. From electrical to mechanical, civil to marine, students will experience a wide range of engineering disciplines with many gaining employment immediately after finishing the course or choosing to stay on and pursue a higher level engineering qualification.

◀ The Sixth Form offers a safe and challenging community in which students are able to develop their interests in an ambitious, aspirational and happy environment ▶

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◀ The Sixth Form is fully focused on enabling students to develop as responsible and accountable young people, with a clear understanding of moral and social issues and the part they, as individuals and collectively, have to play in their community and beyond ▶
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- Not ready yet for Level 3 courses?
- Want to specialise in a vocational area such as engineering or ICT and business?
- You can apply for a one year course in a range of subjects.
- The one year courses at Level 2 are equivalent to 4 GCSEs at A*-C when completed.
- You could progress to Level 3 courses or apprenticeships.

One-Year Sixth Form Courses



Evo Sports

◀ There are numerous opportunities for students to demonstrate leadership through the Sixth Form Council, as prefects, volunteering in the local community and as peer mentors for younger pupils ▶
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Throughout the past 5 years, The Mosslands School and Evo Sport have developed a unique and highly successful relationship that has allowed a great number of our students to achieve the highest levels of success within sports coaching, sports development and personal training and fitness. Developed and expanded from an original two year, Level 2 Football Academy programme, Evo Sports now operates and offers a wide and broad ranging curriculum and career pathway for students at The Mosslands School.

Qualifications now offered include:

- L2 & 3 OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma in Sport & Physical Activity**
- L3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport & Performance Excellence**
- L2 NVQ Fitness Instructor**
- L3 Diploma in Personal Training**

Our success throughout the past 5 years has enabled us to develop a fantastic and varied network of partners. These include numerous employers for our high quality work placement scheme that all learners have access to throughout their time on our courses. We seamlessly integrate work experience and work placements and see them as an essential aspect of their education and personal development with us.

Based at The Mosslands School, but delivered at a range of state of the art local sports and training facilities, our courses are tailored fully to the cohort of learners in front of us and are bespoke to each and every group we teach. Past students have moved on directly into the world of sports training and fitness, others have progressed to university and higher education placements, whilst some have signed contracts with professional clubs.



There is a superb range of subjects to cater for everyone's requirements and needs, whether that be to prepare for a career or higher education ▶

Student ▶

Learning Pathways

From the moment you apply, right through to when you join us, the Sixth Form Team will work with you closely to ensure that you are guided onto the appropriate courses that suit your career aspirations and allow you to reach your full potential.

You study A Levels or BTEC/CTECs or a combination of both. You choose three subject options: one A Level makes up one subject option; BTEC/CTECs can be equivalent to one, two or three subject options.

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSE/BTECs (including maths and English language) at grade 4 or above are required, plus any minimum entry requirements for individual subjects. Specific entry requirements are detailed on the subject information sheets at the back of this prospectus.

How to make your choices:

It is worth considering:

- What you are likely to enjoy and be good at.
- If you have a particular career or degree in mind, you may need to choose specific subjects.
- If you want to keep your future study and career choices open, any subject you study will give you transferable skills.
- We offer a number of subjects that you may not have studied before. psychology, public services, digital media and engineering.

Facilities

Our superb facilities include:

- A modern library with computers and space for students to study undisturbed.
- A Sixth Form quiet study room.
- Wi-fi connectivity.
- An air-conditioned computer room.
- A common room with a recreational area for table tennis and pool.
- Spacious classrooms including 8 ICT rooms and 14 laboratories.
- The dining room serves as a "study café" during lessons where students can discuss work while they have a drink and a snack.

What next?

• Visit our open evening
• Contact us for more information
• Come and visit us
• Visit our website at

www.mosslands.co.uk

Students from other schools should fill in the expression of interest form and return it as soon as possible.



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