

St Philomena's Sixth Form Entrance Requirements 2019

<p>Pathway 1: At least <u>eight</u> GCSEs grades 9-5 (minimum of six grade 7 or above)</p>	<p>Students can opt to do 4 A Levels or 3 A Levels and EPQ or Level 3 Maths in Context if applicable</p>
<p>Pathway 2: At least <u>eight</u> GCSEs grades 9-4 (minimum of four grade 5 or above)</p>	<p>Students study 3 A Levels (BTEC qualifications may be taken) and Level 3 Maths in Context if applicable</p>
<p>Pathway 3: At least <u>eight</u> GCSEs grades 9-4 (with fewer than four at grade 5)</p>	<p>Students study two Level 3 BTEC qualifications and can study one A Level or a further Level 3 equivalent qualification.</p>
<p>Pathway 4: At least <u>five</u> GCSEs grades 9-4 (including grade 4 in English or Maths)</p>	<p>Students study three Level 3 BTEC qualifications and may also retake GCSE Maths or English if they have not achieved a 4 in one or the other.</p>
<p>Pathway 5: Fewer than <u>five</u> GCSEs grades 9-4 (below grade 4 in Maths and English Language)</p>	<p>Students follow the Level 2 Hospitality Course and retake both GCSE English and GCSE Mathematics.</p>

GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics will need to be continued to be studied in the Sixth Form if a GCSE standard pass of a Grade 4 has not been achieved at the end of Key Stage 4. The school will apply government legislation and guidance and parents and students will be informed of any changes to this policy if they occur within the academic year.

Please note:- Courses will only be provided if there is a viable number of students enrolled after Results day on Thursday 22nd August 2019. Parents and students will be communicated with by March 2019 if the school believe there is a risk of any subject not being offered.

Curriculum -SUBJECTS	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Art & Design (Fine Art)	Grade 6 – GCSE Fine Art
Applied Science	Either BTEC Science – Distinction or Grade 4, 4 in GCSE Combined Science or Grade 4 in GCSE Biology, GCSE Chemistry and GCSE Physics if taken separately All students must also have achieved a minimum of a Grade 5 in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature and Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics
Biology	Either Grades 6,6 in GCSE Combined Science or Grade 6 in GCSE Biology All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 5 in Mathematics In addition a diagnostic test in the first two week and achieve at least Grade E
Business	Grade 6 GCSE Business Studies All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 5 in Mathematics

Business BTEC (Single, Double)	All students must have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 4 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 4 in Mathematics
Chemistry	Either Grades 6,6 in GCSE Combined Science or Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 6 in Mathematics All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature In addition a diagnostic test in the first two week and achieve at least Grade E
Drama & Theatre Studies	Grade 5 – GCSE Drama GCSE Grade 5 in English Language
Economics	Either Grade 6 – GCSE Economics if taken or Grade 6 – GCSE Business Studies if taken All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 6 in Mathematics
English Literature	Grade 6 – GCSE English Literature
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French	Grade 6 – GCSE French All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Further Mathematics	GCSE Mathematics at Grade 8 and be studying A level Mathematics All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Geography	Grade 6 – GCSE Geography All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 5 in Mathematics
Health & Social Care BTEC (single, double)	All students must have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 4 in English Language or English Literature
History	Grade 6 – GCSE History All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Information Technology BTEC	All students must have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 4 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 4 in Mathematics
Mathematics	Grade 7 – GCSE Mathematics (A diagnostic test will be taken in the first 2 weeks for which a minimum of an E Grade must be achieved to continue with the A Level course) All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Media Studies	Grade 6 – GCSE Media Studies if taken and All students must also have a Grade 6 in English Literature AND/OR Grade 5 in English Language
Music	Grade 6 – GCSE Music. You need to be proficient on at least one instrument to Grade 5. All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 4 in Mathematics
Art & Design Photography	Grade 5 – GCSE Art or GCSE Photography (portfolio for students who have not studied this subject at GCSE)
Physical Education	Grade 6 – GCSE PE and actively engaged in sporting performance or coaching. In addition, a GCSE Grade 5 in Biology or Combined Science. All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English

	Language or English Literature.
Physics	Grades 6,6 in GCSE Combined Science OR Grade 6 in GCSE Physics All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and Grade 6 in Mathematics In addition a diagnostic test in the first two week and achieve at least Grade E
Politics	Grade 6 – GCSE English Language or English Literature, or GCSE Grade 6 in RS or History as the subject specific entry criteria All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Product Design	Grade 5 – GCSE Product Design if taken (<i>GCSE Product Design is recommended but not essential</i>)
Psychology	Grades 5,5 in GCSE Combined Science or Grade 5 in GCSE Biology All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature and GCSE Grade 5 in Mathsematics
Religious Studies	Grade 6 – GCSE Religious Studies All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Sociology	Grade 6 – GCSE English Language or English Literature, or GCSE Grade 6 in RS or History as subject specific requirements All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Spanish	Grade 6 – GCSE Spanish All students must also have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Sport BTEC	GCSE Grade 4 in a Science subject (4, 4 in Combined Science) or Grade 4 in GCSE PE and GCSE Grade 4 in a literate subject such as English Language, English Literature or History A Merit or above in BTEC Level 2 Sport will also be considered
Art & Design Textiles	Grade 6 – GCSE Textiles if taken (<i>GCSE Textiles is recommended but not essential</i>)
Travel & Tourism BTEC	All students must have achieved a minimum of a GCSE Grade 4 in English Language or English Literature

Students may wish to take one of the following options as an additional course in the Sixth Form alongside curriculum options. These courses are selected in September 2019

Optional Additional Learning	
Extended Project Qualification (half an A level)	8 GCSE passes at Grade 9-5 including English Language or English Literature at GCSE Grade 6
Maths in Context	Grade 5 – GCSE Mathematics All students must also have achieved a GCSE Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature
Sports Leadership	Students will need to either be studying A level PE or have an interest in sport's leadership or be actively engaged in sporting performance, officiating or coaching.