

A message from **Heather Lilley** - Principal

Welcome to Eggbuckland Sixth Form! We are delighted that you have taken an interest in continuing your studies here at the College.

Eggbuckland Sixth Form is proud to have a culture of high aspiration, excellent teaching and bespoke support that really brings out the best in each of our students, both academically and personally. Our Sixth Form is small enough to know every student personally, but big enough to provide a rich variety of courses to suit the needs of our students. We have linked up with our Trust partner schools and providers across the City to ensure that we have a rich and flexible curriculum offer.

Our dedicated Sixth Form team have the experience, knowledge and skills to support you through your time with us and there are extensive leadership opportunities for you to contribute to our wider school should you wish.

Our Sixth Form is unique in the blend of courses we offer, complemented by our Extended Curriculum which supports students to develop as young learners and adults, ready to embrace life beyond Sixth Form. We are proud of the destinations of our students and are ambitious for every student. We will work with you throughout your Sixth Form journey to help you realise your ambitions; we really believe that 'everyone can'.

We look forward to working with you over these next two years.

Open the door to your future



Any of the following Sixth Form staff members will be pleased to help you with any queries you may have:

Mr Angus Calerwood – Assistant Principal KS5
Mrs Rebecca Cornish - Sixth Form Administrator

Mrs Louise Bennett – Assistant Head of Sixth Form

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Eggbuckland Sixth Form is a thriving learning community built on high expectations, academic rigor, and a genuine commitment to our students' success. Our small class sizes allow us to know each student deeply, providing personalised support and precise feedback that empower them to excel. We believe in the transformative power of education, ensuring that every student has the freedom to shape their future and when graduating from Eggbuckland Sixth Form they will have the power of choice.

Our dedicated teachers meticulously plan a challenging and enriching curriculum, fostering not only academic excellence but also the personal growth needed to thrive in an everchanging world.

In collaboration with our Westcountry Schools Trust partner Sixth Forms (Hele's, Plymstock School, and Coombe Dean School), we offer one of the most extensive course selections in Plymouth. Our students achieve strong outcomes, with 100% progressing to prestigious university places, high-quality apprenticeships, or fulfilling careers with further training. At Eggbuckland, we nurture tenacity, integrity, compassion and knowledge- ensuring our students are equipped to achieve their highest potential.



The character of each and every student cannot be left to chance. We not only want to applaud amazing results but see a growth in confidence and the acquisition of the skills that employers and Universities seek. This is embodied through our key TICK values of Tenacity, Integrity, Compassion and Knowledge. To help support our curriculum and core values, as well as studying and exploring specific subject disciplines our students take part in an extended curriculum where they complete activities that enhance their wellbeing, Learning, Reading, and wider experiences. We also understand that students' mental health and overall wellbeing can affect their learning and achievements. We therefore proactively promote positive mental health and closely monitor student welfare and attendance to prevent problems before they arise, offering support where needed. Students will be mentored, referred and motivated to seek help, to cope with life's challenges as they arise to enable them to fulfil their full potential.

The Courses and Routes available at Eggbuckland Sixth Form

We are very fortunate to be able to offer a wide number of courses that will enable students to access many future career pathways. Our students go on to study at top universities or gain good apprenticeships with local and national companies.

Academic and Applied Levels

Students study a combination of 3 academically rigorous subjects. Because students study a range of subjects, they can progress on to a vast amount of career pathways.

All the subjects in this pathway build on the skills and knowledge learnt across a range of GCSE disciplines as well as some new subjects to get involved in. Students will be expected to complete 4 hours of independent study each week for each course they undertake. Courses are assessed in a variety of ways, depending on exam board specifications.

In general students need to gain at least a grade 5 in most of their Level 2 (GCSE) courses to gain entry to this route although some courses will have a higher entry requirement.

In addition to their chosen subjects' students will also study either Core Maths or the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).

These extra qualifications can give our students the edge when applying for competitive University or apprenticeship places.

To help you decide which combination is right for you we have assembled on our website a list of likely combinations that link to possible career pathways.





Please see the website and the insert for the full list of courses on offer this year.

(Subject to Change)



A Curriculum made just for you

Surrounded by ambitious students that think like you

Excellent Careers
Guidance so you get to
go where you want to go
next

Excellent teaching and delivery in the classroom

Excellent wellbeing support

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Small class sizes with personalised bespoke support

Many Leadership and Enrichment Opportunities

Opportunities to build skills that Universities and employers need

Be able to grow and build your own character so you are ready for Independence

A bespoke and extensive extended curriculum

Courses & Routes

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Academic and Applied

Art (Fine)

Art Photography

Applied Science*

Biology

Business Studies

Chemistry*

Criminology

Design and Technology

Digital Media*

Drama and Theatre Studies*

English Literature

Engineering

Environmental Science

Food and Nutrition

French*

Geography

Health and Social Care

History

Information Technology*

Maths

Media Studies*

Music*

Physics

Psychology

Sociology*

Spanish*

Sport Studies

Physical Education*

We combine with other schools and Colleges across Westcountry Schools Trust as needed to ensure we can adapt our curriculum as far as possible to the personal needs of each student. Free transport is provided for our students, as required.

All courses offered at the time of application can be **subject to change**, depending on course numbers.





Admissions

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Admissions

Our Sixth Form accepts Year 11 students from both Eggbuckland Community College and other schools. All students are required to apply for a place in the Sixth Form. Applications should be completed by February 1st for Eggbuckland students; however, later admissions will be considered from external applicants. All those seeking admission to Year 12 must achieve the necessary entry requirements to access the courses they have chosen. All courses offered at the time of application can be subject to change, depending on course numbers. Post 16 Guidance Interviews will be conducted from Monday 10th February 2025.

Guidance on How to Apply

Now: Complete an online Post 16 Application Form available in the Sixth Form area of our website: www.eggbuckland.org.uk/sixthformhome

From 10th February: All students will be invited to a Post 16 Guidance Interview. Parents/carers can attend this interview if they wish. Students will be given a conditional offer at the end of the interview.

From 31st March: The Sixth Form offer will be confirmed via a letter sent home.

Learning Support and Special Educational Needs

Many children will, at some stage in their education, have special educational needs. We are committed to ensuring that all our students fulfil their potential and recognise that some will need extra, or different, levels of support. Students with Education and Health Care Plans (EHCP) will continue to be fully supported in our Sixth Form. If you wish to discuss your child's support needs, please contact our Sixth Form team.

Hearing Support Centre

Eggbuckland Community College provides a particular service to young people with hearing disabilities. Specially trained staff support these students. The success of the College's Hearing Support Centre can be judged by the growing number of such students that stay on to the Sixth Form and progress to university.

Disability Access

Eggbuckland Community College is committed to fair and equal treatment of all individuals regardless of disability. We work closely with students and parents and strive to provide an appropriate and relevant curriculum to meet the academic, emotional, and physical needs of our students.

The Extended Curriculum

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Level 2 GCSE Maths and English

GCSE retakes are available in English and Maths at Post 16. All students who have not yet achieved a grade 4 in these subjects must study towards these subjects, as part of their programme of study.

Level 3 Extended Project (EPQ) and Core Maths

All students in Year 12 at Eggbuckland Community College will study either an Extended Project (EPQ) or the Core Maths Qualification to complement their chosen subjects.

An **EPQ** gives our students the chance to develop skills and knowledge and impress employers and universities at the same time through the skills acquired. Students will complete a project on a topic of their choice that they are passionate about. All universities and many employers recognise the EPQ as valuable proof of a student's capacity for independent learning.

Core Maths provides an opportunity for students to pursue the subject without studying for an A Level in Maths. Core Maths is ideal for students who will be using these skills in their A Level subjects but who do not want to commit to the full Maths A Level course. We automatically enrol students on this course if they are studying Engineering, Business, Biology, Geography or Psychology and not studying a Maths A Level.

The Extended Curriculum

As well as studying and exploring specific subject disciplines our students take part in an extended curriculum to support their learning and development as young adults. This is delivered through a daily 25-minute tutor session, a 1 hour lesson each week, whole day events and independent study. The extended curriculum is planned around 5 main elements: Wellbeing and managing self, learning to learn, reading, taking part in meaningful experiences (including an experience of work) and the supra curriculum. ningful experiences (including an experience of work) and the supra curriculum.

Wellbeing and Managing Self

By the end of the Sixth Form, many young people will leave home for the first time and live independently, possibly in distant locations. There is a balance throughout the Wellbeing lessons between preparing students to manage their current lives and laying the foundations for managing future experiences. These lessons will ensure students have the knowledge and understanding, skills, strategies and attributes they need for independent living and the next stage in their education or career.

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Learning to Learn

To complete Sixth Form study, students need to put systems in place to learn efficiently and stay organised. Students are taught how to respond to feedback from the teacher and put a plan in place to make improvements. Students need to fully engage with their learning through a cycle of Prepare – Explore – Do – Review. These systems need to be in place so students can make progress in class and when working independently.

Reading

Students are given a recommended book list for each of their subjects. They are encouraged to immerse themselves and fall in love with their subjects.

Each week all our students also study set texts. The books have been carefully selected for their academic rigour and the messages that they communicate. The texts make up at a guided reading programme delivered by tutors with the aim of ensuring our students engage with a rich, varied, diverse and high-quality collection of fiction and non-fiction.

Taking part in meaningful experiences (including an experience of work)

In this section students are taught how to develop themselves through careers, employability, and enterprise education. They are taught that self-awareness, self-determination, and self-improvement underpin aspiration, ambition, and achievement in careers, learning and the world of work. They develop their career management, employability, and enterprise skills. We then help students plan for making applications to their next steps, University and beyond.

All students must take part in a meaningful work experience (virtual or 'in-person') and engage in volunteering or enrichment activities. Students are required to complete a minimum of 5 days in Year 12. Students have the support of our dedicated Careers Coordinator to help them prepare for these activities.

Supra Curriculum

Supra-curricular activities are things that students do to extend and deepen their knowledge of the curriculum. They include things like taking a free open online course (MOOC), attending a TED talk, attending a planned lecture, following media stories that concern developments in a subject that they are studying, watching a film based on a novel, play or historical event that they are studying, or visiting a place that is connected with their subjects. To get into a top university or top employer, it is not enough just to do well at school. Universities and employers want students who are passionate about their subject, who think for themselves and who are independent learners.

In the Sixth Form you will be encouraged to spend time on Supra Curriculum activities and work

towards achieving the WeST Supra Curriculum award.

Extra-Curricular and Enrichment

Our extensive extra-curricular opportunities complement the extended curriculum enriching students' studies. These clubs include opportunities to take part in our student leadership team, sports, music, D of E clubs, organising events and mentoring others.