

Aylesbury Sixth Form

Aylesbury Sixth Form Prospectus

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Collaborate To Succeed

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Welcome

to a new chapter of your education.

At the heart of the Insignis Academy Trust is a simple but powerful conviction: we are stronger when we work together.

Our motto, '**Collaborate to Succeed**,' isn't just a phrase we've printed on the walls; it is the blueprint for our Sixth Form. By bridging two distinct schools and locations, we have created a unique educational landscape that offers a breadth of subjects and a wealth of expertise that a single site simply couldn't match. This partnership allows you to access the best of both worlds—specialist facilities, diverse teaching styles, and a wider community of peers.

In the "real world," success rarely happens in a vacuum. It happens when people pool their talents, navigate different environments, and challenge one another to think differently.

We are incredibly proud of this collaborative model, and we can't wait to see how you will thrive within it.

Why Our Collaborative Model Works:

- **Expanded Choice:** Access a wider variety of subjects and combinations that fit your specific career goals.
- **Joint Expertise:** Benefit from the specialised strengths and teaching resources of two established institutions.
- **Future-Ready Skills:** Develop the adaptability and networking skills required for life beyond the classroom.

Yours Sincerely,

Garret Fay
Chief Executive Officer

Aylesbury Sixth Form



The Kingsbrook School

I am really excited to welcome you to the Aylesbury Sixth Form. Since The Kingsbrook School opened in September 2022, we have had our sights firmly set on providing a strong academic and vocational offer for students to progress with us, and to join us, to study in our sixth form. Our school motto, "achieve & flourish," reflects this deep commitment. We focus relentlessly on the highest possible academic standards while cultivating the essential character virtues you need to become a well-rounded and successful member of society in later life.

By collaborating as a group of IAT schools, we are able to offer an exceptionally broad range of Level 3 courses, utilising the very best staff expertise from across our family of schools. Here, you will experience greater independence, variety in ways of learning, and a wider network of peers—broadening your horizons and supporting your journey toward higher education and your future career.

As we have grown, we have appointed experienced teachers who have the skills and expertise to deliver a wide range of A-Level and vocational subjects in the sixth form. Beyond the classroom, our robust enrichment program is designed to sharpen your leadership skills, build your independence, and guide you step-by-step through university and career planning.

Joining our sixth form is both a privilege and an opportunity. You will have the chance to learn in our beautiful, state-of-the-art building, paired with the rewarding responsibility of acting as a role model for younger students. Whether through student leadership, running extracurricular clubs, or actively shaping our school community, you will genuinely establish the culture and legacy of our sixth form for years to come.

I am really looking forward to welcoming students from both TKS and TMS to our joint sixth form, alongside external candidates who may also choose to join us to study in our beautiful, state-of-the-art building.

I am incredibly excited to welcome students from both TKS and TMS, alongside our external candidates, as we embark on this journey together.

Nancy Simpson
Headteacher
The Kingsbrook School



The Mandeville School

It is a great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to you from The Aylesbury Sixth Form. At The Mandeville School (TMS), our core values are 'believe, achieve, succeed' and this permeates all we do. I am incredibly excited to be entering the next stage of our journey by re-opening our 6th form.

The motto for Insignis Academy Trust (IAT) is 'Collaborate to Succeed' and we are delighted to be working with The Kingsbrook School to offer the best possible post 16 education. By collaborating, we are able to offer a broader curriculum of both vocational and academic qualifications and an inspiring enrichment offer. We will be able to offer state of the art facilities across our two sites to support you in attaining the best possible academic outcomes. In addition to this, you can be assured that you will be taught by highly committed subject specialists from across our schools.

Transitioning into post-16 education is one of the most defining chapters of your academic journey—a time to discover who you are and where you want to go. The Aylesbury Sixth Form will provide a vibrant, inclusive and ambitious environment where you are recognised as an individual and given the platform to succeed. Everything we do is grounded in a simple yet transformative belief: that every student has unique potential waiting to be unlocked.

Alongside our broad curriculum offer, you will have a varied enrichment programme, including student leadership opportunities, additional qualifications, co- curricular activities, trips, visits and essential careers guidance and advice to ensure every student leaves us with a clear destination in sight.

We will offer a community that champions your ambitions every step of the way. We invite you to explore our prospectus, discover our subject pathways, and see how The Aylesbury Sixth Form can support you to become successful citizens, equipped to be the leaders of tomorrow.

Whether you are an existing TMS or TKS student or new to the IAT family, I look forward to welcoming you to our Open Evening and meeting you in person.

Sara Durose
Head of School
The Mandeville School



Sixth Form Mindset and Culture

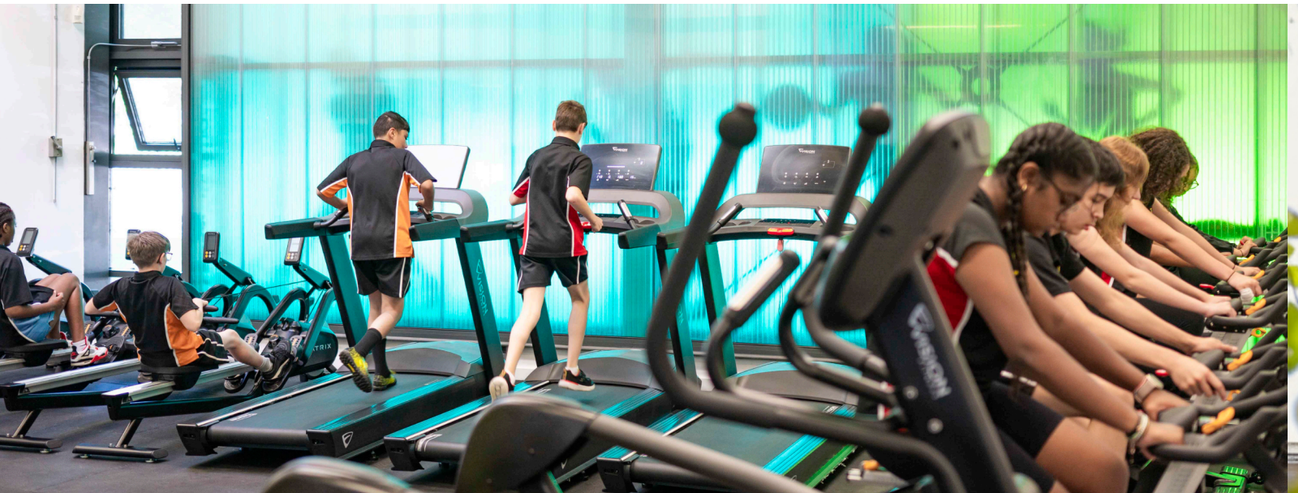
At Insignis Academy Trust we '**Collaborate to Succeed**'. Our Aylesbury Sixth Form is a consortium model, where the Kingsbrook and Mandeville schools are committed to working collaboratively to provide an appropriate sixth form pathway and to ensure success for every student. Depending on individual subject choices, students may study on one or both school sites. There are also consortium opportunities for students in some subjects at Sir Henry Floyd Grammar School, subject to specific school subject entry tariffs. We will work with all our students to 'believe and flourish', drawing on our shared values as schools to develop character and support students as they enter this next stage in their education.

As a Sixth Form we understand that success has many different pathways, and we are here to support students to build a mindset that embraces independence and ambition in a supportive environment. Depending on their subject choices, students will be able to study on one or both sites, taking advantage of the breadth of curriculum offered by working as a consortium and the additional independence that this brings. Together, we will support students to believe in their potential, take ownership of their progress and become self determining learners in charge of their next steps.

Students at the Aylesbury Sixth Form are expected to prepare for, attend and engage in all lessons. Teachers will guide students to become autonomous learners, helping students to build independent study routines that will build a strong foundation for future success. Aylesbury Sixth Form students are also expected to be active participants in the wider community of both schools, and to make connections with the wider community and broaden their experiences through participation in enrichment opportunities. These will include formal opportunities timetabled into the school day, alongside informal leadership opportunities over the two academic years.

At the heart of the Aylesbury Sixth Form is the commitment to student wellbeing. We will promote compassion and respect with all Sixth Form students leading by example, contributing positively to our wider trust community. Collaboration is modelled by staff and encouraged within the student body. We will support students to build their intellectual curiosity and emotional intelligence, fostering independence in an environment of trust with wellbeing at its foundation.

Together, at the Aylesbury Sixth Form, we will provide a Sixth Form experience where students do not just succeed, but are ready to flourish in their next steps.



Transport Guide

Because we operate across two specialist sites, your "home base" might change depending on your timetable. This guide ensures you know exactly how to get to your first lesson and how to get home at the end of the day.

Public Bus Travel (Start & End of Day)

If you are starting your day at one school and finishing at the other, the easiest way to travel is via the Aylesbury Bus Station hub.

Destination	**Recommended Route**	**Where to Catch it**
The Kingsbrook School	K1 / K2 (Redline)	Town Centre (Great Western St) or Central Square
The Mandeville School	9 / 9A / 5	Town Centre (Bus Station) or Ellen Road
Sir Henry Floyd Grammar School	1 / 9 / 11	Church Square or Orwell Drive

Most buses between these sites run every 15–20 minutes during peak hours.

Top Tip: Check if you are eligible for a Buckinghamshire Student Travel Pass to save on fares.

Mid-Day Inter-Site Shuttle

If you have lessons at both schools on the same day, we've got you covered.

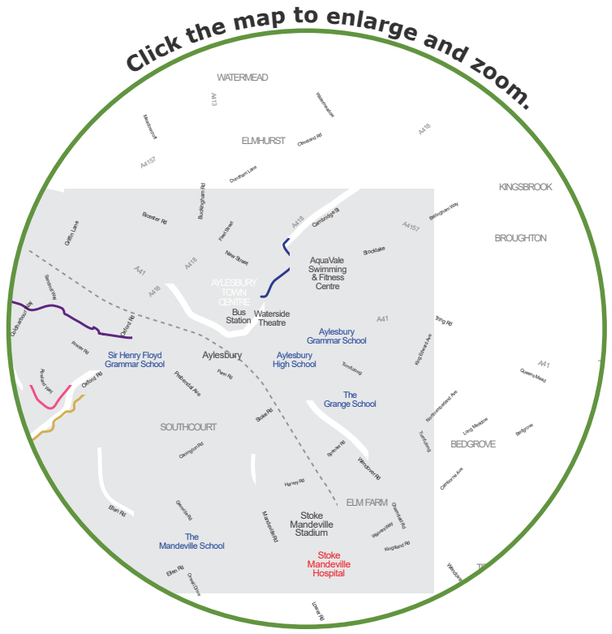
The Shuttle: The Trust provides a dedicated internal minibus to move students between The Mandeville School, The Kingsbrook School and Sir Henry Floyd Grammar School during break or lunch periods.



Cycling (Start & End of Day)

It is often faster to cycle between sites than to take the bus during rush hour. There are good cycling paths that connect all schools to the Town Centre. The Gemstone Routes, connect to the Town Centre and can be view by clicking on the map below.

Bike Storage: All schools have cycle racks.
Don't forget a sturdy D-lock!



Essential Travel Checklist

Check your timetable:
Which school do you start at?
Where is your last lesson?

Download the App:
Get the Redline or Arriva apps for real-time bus tracking.

Plan for Weather:
If you cycle, ensure you have lights and a waterproof jacket.

Safety First:
If walking or cycling, use the designated crossings on the A418 and Stocklake.

"What if I leave my bike at The Mandeville School but finish my day at The Kingsbrook School?"

Plan your week! If you know you finish at a different site, we recommend using public transport that day or checking if the midday shuttle has space to transport your bike (prior booking may be required).

"I'm going to be late because the bus was cancelled!"

Don't panic. Call the Sixth Form office at the school where your lesson is held:

The Mandeville School:	**01296 745400**
The Kingsbrook School:	**01296 761401**
Sir Henry Floyd Grammar School:	**01296 424781**

Aylesbury Sixth Form

Pathways

By offering a shared curriculum offer across our three schools we are able to offer a broad range of A Levels and other level 3 (A Level equivalent) vocational courses. Depending on your subject choices, you will study on one or two of our school sites. The site where a student studies two or more subjects, will be their 'home' site where they will be enrolled, register daily, receive pastoral support and participate in enrichment. There are three distinct pathways available across sites that students can choose from:

A Level Pathway

to access this pathway you will need to pass 5 or more GCSEs at Grade 5 or above including in English (literature or language) & Maths.

You will choose three or four A' Level qualifications and in addition to the general entry criteria will need to have secured the individual entry criteria for each A' Level as detailed in the sixth form options booklet. You may also wish to consider taking an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) to further enhance your application to university by studying a unique topic of interest and earning extra UCAS points.

This is a standalone, independent research project taken alongside your A-Levels. This pathway prepares students well for academic degree courses as university such as law and medicine.

Combined Pathway

to access this pathway you will need to pass 5 or more GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including in English (literature or language) & Maths.

You will choose a mix of three A' Level or Vocational qualifications and in addition to the general entry criteria for the combined pathway, will need to have secured the individual entry criteria for each A' Level or vocational course you study.

This pathway provides a progression route into many university courses whilst also allowing students to specialise in a vocational area of interest for example business, sports science and health & social care. Students may progress on to university, but this route would also provide progression to employment with training and apprenticeships.

Vocational Pathway

to access this pathway you will need to pass 5 or more GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including in English (literature or language) & Maths*. You will choose a combination of three Vocational qualifications and in addition to the general entry criteria for the vocational pathway, will need to have secured the entry criteria for each vocational course you study. This pathway allows students to specialise in one or more vocational areas of interest and develop work-related skills in these fields. The option to progress on to specific related university degree courses is still available depending on course outcomes, this route also provides progression to employment with training and apprenticeships related to the vocational courses chosen.

** There may be a limited opportunity for students to retake either English or Maths if both have not been secured at Grade 4 at GCSE*

Curriculum Overview

The following list outlines the subjects that are on offer across our three schools.

In some cases, the demand for places on a course is likely to mean that the course will run on more than one site. For smaller subjects, or where very specialist teaching or facilities are required, the course is likely to run on only one of the school sites and students will travel between the school sites during the day via the Aylesbury Sixth Form minibuses. By offering subjects on more than one site, it is possible to have one subject in more than one timetable block, providing more choice for students and less chance of combinations of subjects being blocked together and combinations that are impossible to study. This is the key benefit of collaborating together as a consortium sixth form.

Students may choose three subjects on one site, or one subject on one site and two subjects on another. The school where a student studies two or more subjects will become, or remain their 'home school', where pastoral care, enrichment and registration will also be timetabled. Students will have to travel independently to and from the school site where they start and end their school day. When students need to travel to another school site during the school day, minibuses will move students between the sites.

Students should not be afraid of choosing subjects on a different school site. The opportunity to meet new people, new teachers and have greater independence is extremely worthwhile and very effective preparation for later study and adult life. Students should carefully consider their interests, strengths, future career ambitions and what they enjoy and select the courses they wish to study ahead of any preference they may have for the site of delivery.

Please note: the timetable blocks will be drawn up after applications have closed and to maximise student choice. Courses will only run where there is sufficient student demand for a subject, and therefore the listed offer of subjects is not a guarantee that the course will run on that site.

How to Apply

Applications are made via Applica and the links to this are on the Sixth Forms pages of The Kingsbrook School and The Mandeville School websites.

Subjects Offered

Subject
Accounting and Finance – V Level
Art and Design - A Level
Biology - A Level
Business - A Level
Chemistry - A Level
Drama - A Level
Early Years Education* - V Level
English Literature - A Level
Film Studies - A Level
Geography - A Level
History - A Level
Maths - A Level
Media - A Level
Performing Arts - BTEC
Physics - A Level
Sociology - A Level
Spanish - A Level
Sport - BTEC (vocational)

**Students studying the V Level in Early Years Education will spend considerable time at Ashmead Combined school as part of their studies*

The following subjects are offered as part of our consortium at SHFGS. Students choosing these subjects must meet the subject entry criteria set by SHFGS for the course (see subject information in the Aylesbury Sixth Form Options Booklet). Places on these courses are offered subject to there being surplus places on these courses once all places have been allocated to SHFGS 6th form students.

Subject
Dance – A Level
Economics – A Level
French – A Level
Music – A Level
Physical Education – A Level
Politics – A Level
Psychology – A Level

Facilities at The Kingsbrook School

Facilities Designed to Inspire

Opened in 2022, the main building of The Kingsbrook School offers a bright, modern, and welcoming environment where students can thrive. Every classroom is light and spacious, complemented by high-specification specialist spaces - including state-of-the-art science laboratories and design technology workshops - that bring hands-on learning to life.

Beyond the classroom, our extensive sports facilities give students every opportunity to stay active, compete, and discover new passions. Students enjoy access to an activity studio and a four-court sports hall (both featuring professional sprung wooden floors), alongside a three-court Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA), a full-size 4G all-weather pitch, and two full-size grass pitches.

Our Exciting £13 Million Expansion

As our school community grows - welcoming 360 additional student places and moving to an 8-form entry from September 2027 - we are proud to unveil our brand-new, £13 million three-storey extension. Seamlessly connected to the main school building, this 2,300-square-metre addition has been thoughtfully designed with sustainability in mind, powered by roof-mounted solar panels and air source heat pumps. Inside, students benefit from:

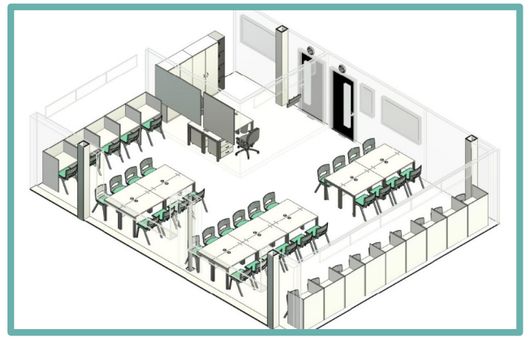
- **20 bright, modern classrooms** equipped for interactive learning
- **Additional specialist science laboratories and food preparation rooms**
- **An expanded Special Educational Needs (SEN) suite**, ensuring tailored support for every learner
- **Vibrant new social spaces** for students to relax and connect

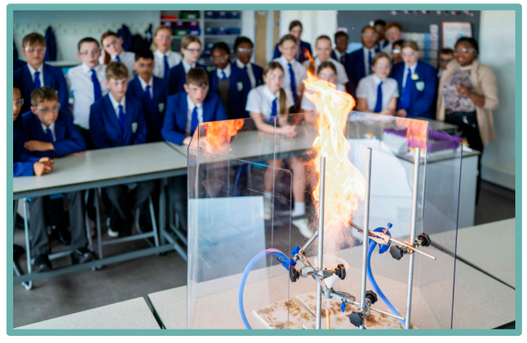
A Dedicated Home for TKS Sixth Form

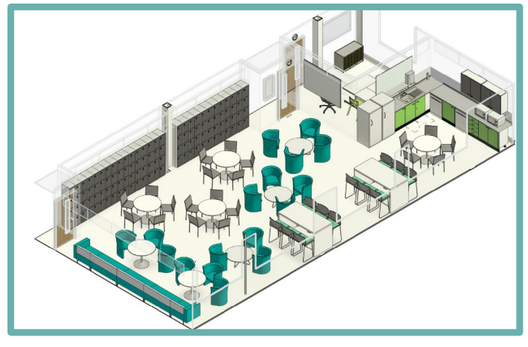
At the heart of our new extension is a purpose-built Sixth Form study and common room. Designed to bridge the gap between school and university or work, these spaces offer older students independence during study and social breaks.

Students can unwind in comfortable seating or use the dedicated kitchenette to prepare hot drinks and snacks. For focused independent research, Sixth Formers also have full access to our light, airy main school library.









Facilities at The Mandeville School

Facilities Designed for Ambition and Growth

At The Mandeville School, our campus combines well-established, specialist teaching environments with ongoing capital investment to give students the very best foundation for learning and personal development. Our bright, well-equipped classrooms sit alongside specialist facilities across science, technology, creative arts, and performing arts - providing hands-on, inspiring spaces where students can explore their academic and creative passions.

High-Performance Sports & Conditioning Suite

Sport, fitness, and wellbeing are central to life at The Mandeville School. Alongside our indoor sports halls, activity spaces, and extensive outdoor pitches, students benefit from our dedicated Fitness and Conditioning Suite - recently supported by targeted equipment investment. Equipped with modern cardiovascular and resistance training machines - including Vision treadmills and specialist conditioning equipment - the suite offers students a dedicated, supportive space to train, build strength, and pursue both recreational fitness and competitive athletic goals.

Ongoing Campus Investment

As part of Insignis Academy Trust, The Mandeville School continues to benefit from substantial, ongoing investment across its estate. Recent and continuing site upgrades - spanning refurbished flooring and refreshed learning environments, upgraded student facilities, and modernised heating and building infrastructure - ensure our campus remains comfortable, welcoming, and fit for the future.

Our facilities are designed to help students transition confidently from school to university, apprenticeships, and the workplace. Alongside specialist study and social spaces where students can collaborate, relax between lessons, and enjoy greater independence, students also have full access to the main school library - offering a bright, quiet, and well-resourced environment for focused independent research and revision.









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Financial support:

The 16-19 Bursary Fund is made available from the government through its funding body for 16-18 year olds - to provide assistance to students whose access to, or completion of, education is inhibited by financial constraints or barriers. Details of the bursary and application process will be shared with all students and their parents/ carers upon entry to the sixth form. Alternatively, please email finance@insignis.org.uk for further information.

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