



UNLOCK YOUR FUTURE

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It's a nice, quiet environment.
Good routines are put in place.
There are very good support
systems.

Ayesha, Year 13

WELCOME

Welcome to Thornleigh Sixth Form, where ambition, faith and community converge to foster an exceptional educational experience.

As a Catholic Sixth Form College grounded in the Salesian tradition of Saint John Bosco, we place personal development and academic excellence at the core of our mission. Our ethos is firmly rooted in faith, kindness and service principles that underpin our vibrant college community and inspire our students to become compassionate, socially responsible leaders.

At Thornleigh, we take pride in truly knowing our students as individuals. We provide a safe and supportive environment where each student is valued and encouraged to thrive.

Through personalised advice and guidance, we equip our students with the confidence and skills necessary to pursue their chosen pathways, whether that be university, higher-level apprenticeships or employment.

Our dedicated staff are committed to supporting every student in achieving their full potential. Complementing a balanced and intellectually rigorous curriculum, our enrichment programme nurtures talents beyond the classroom, fostering confidence, creativity and character.

We warmly invite prospective students and their families to attend one of our forthcoming open events. This is an excellent opportunity to explore our modern learning facilities, meet our committed staff and current students, and discover what distinguishes Thornleigh Sixth Form as a truly exceptional place to learn and grow. We look forward to welcoming you to our community.

Mr D Wilson
Director of Thornleigh Sixth Form

STUDYING WITH US

We offer a broad range of A Level and Level 3 BTEC courses designed to challenge, inspire and provide pathways to university, higher level apprenticeships and employment.

STEM - Science, Engineering & Medicine

A Level Biology
A Level Chemistry
A Level Physics
A Level Computer Science
A Level Maths

Business & Finance

A Level Business
A Level Economics

Creative Subjects

A Level Film Studies
A Level Fine Art
A Level Graphics
A Level Photography
Level 3 BTEC in Music Performance
Level 3 BTEC in Performing Arts

Health, Sport & Science

Level 3 BTEC in Applied Science
Level 3 BTEC in Dance
Level 3 BTEC in Health & Social Care
Level 3 BTEC in Sport

Humanities & Religion

A Level Geography
A Level History
A Level Philosophy, Ethics & Religion

Language & Literature

A Level English Language
A Level English Literature
A Level Spanish

Social Sciences, Law & Politics

A Level Law
A Level Politics
A Level Psychology
A Level Sociology
Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology

Students are also required to attend PSHE and core RE lessons. Individual subject requirements and combinations can be discussed during the interview.

I chose Thornleigh Sixth Form because they offered all the courses I wanted to do and it was close to home.

Phoebe, Year 12

ENRICHMENT & EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Our Enrichment and Extra Curricular programmes provide students with the opportunity to develop skills, explore interests and boost their employability.

Academic

Medical and debating societies

Departmental trips, university open days and careers fairs

External speakers from universities, higher level apprenticeship providers and alumni

EPQ

Scholars programme

MOOCS - Massive Open Online Courses

Community Work

Community cleanup

KS3 / KS4 student mentoring

Care home visits

Voluntary work

Personal Development & Social

The Duke of Edinburgh Award

Sport activities - dance, football and badminton

Trips including Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Vienna and Safe Drive Conference

Student Leadership Group - organising charity, fundraising and social events

Multi-faith celebrations

Video games club

Music club

Work experience placements

Sign language classes





STUDENT SUPPORT & PASTORAL CARE

Personal tutors are assigned to each student to provide one to one guidance.

Fortnightly mentoring sessions are held to monitor academic progress and personal development. Additionally, chaplaincy services and a multi-faith prayer room are available to support students' spiritual and emotional wellbeing.

I really like the teachers and how welcoming the Sixth Form is. There is a real sense of belonging.

Lucas, Year 12

ADMISSIONS & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Prospective students should have achieved a minimum of five GCSEs grades 9 - 4 including at least grade 4 in English and Mathematics.

Specific courses may have additional subject requirements; please refer to the detailed course information on the Thornleigh Sixth Form website.

Predicted grades must be submitted as part of the application process.

OPEN EVENING EVENTS

Explore our courses, meet teaching staff and receive personalised guidance on the application process.

Open Evening

Thursday 16th October 2025 17:00pm - 19:30pm

Open Door Event 1

Thursday 22nd January 2026 16:30pm - 18:30pm

Open Door Event 2 / Offer Holders' Meeting

Thursday 14th May 2026 16:30pm - 18:30pm

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HOW TO APPLY

Applications open on Thursday 14th October 2025.

Access the application portal on the Thornleigh Sixth Form website via the QR code.

Register with **Applicaa** and complete your application online.

Submit your completed application by **31st January 2026**.

Offer letters will be issued, followed by the Offer Holders' Meeting in **May 2026**.



Scan the QR code for more information



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Thornleigh Sixth Form is conveniently located just a 5 minute walk from ASDA, Astley Bridge.



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