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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



HOW TO APPLY TO OUR SIXTH FORM

Applications open on Thursday 15th October 2026.

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 2027**.

Successful applicants will be interviewed between February and April 2027 followed by the Information and Advice Evening on **29th April 2027**.



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more information**



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WELCOME

Welcome to Thornleigh Sixth Form, where faith, community and high ambition come together to create an outstanding educational experience.

In the Salesian spirit of Saint John Bosco, Thornleigh Sixth Form puts both personal development and academic success at the heart 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 citizens.

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

Our dedicated team of staff are committed to supporting every student in achieving their full potential. Complementing a balanced curriculum, our enrichment programme develops skills beyond the classroom, building confidence, creativity and character.

We warmly invite prospective students and their families to attend our forthcoming open events. This is an excellent opportunity to explore our modern learning facilities, meet our committed staff and current students and to 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 Computer Science
A Level Maths
A Level Physics

Business & Finance

A Level Business
A Level Economics

Creative Subjects

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

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

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

Students are also required to attend PSHE and Core RE lessons. Due to specification overlap, students cannot select BTEC Performing Arts and BTEC Dance. We aim to run every advertised course, provided there is sufficient student demand.



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 industry experts, universities, higher level apprenticeship providers and alumni

EPQ

Scholars programme

MOOCS - Massive Open Online Courses

Community Work

Community cleanup

KS3 / KS4 student mentoring

Voluntary work at a dementia cafe

Voluntary work in local primary schools

Personal Development & Social

The Duke of Edinburgh Award

Sport activities - dance, football and badminton

Trips including Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Gibraltar and Lancaster University

Student Leadership Group - organising charity, fundraising and social events across the school

Multi-faith celebrations throughout the year

Video games club

Work experience placements

British sign language classes





STUDENT SUPPORT & PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral care at Thornleigh Sixth Form is built on Saint John Bosco's principle of presence - ensuring every student feels known, valued, and individually supported.

Through daily tutor check-ins and regular 1 to 1 coaching sessions, our staff guide every student through every stage of their journey. From managing the transition into Sixth Form, through to securing competitive university places and degree apprenticeships, students are supported, encouraged and challenged to reach their academic potential.

Further support is available for students through our Sixth Form pastoral team and Sixth Form Chaplaincy.

Thornleigh is proud to be an inclusive, multicultural community. Students of all faiths have access to our dedicated multi-faith prayer room - a quiet, welcoming space designed for daily prayer and personal reflection.

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 at grade 4 or above, including at least grade 4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths.

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.



I chose Thornleigh as it was a smaller college and I knew that staff would be able to help me more.

Liam, Year 12



KEY DATES & EVENTS

Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 15th October 2026

5:00pm - 7:30pm

Meet the Sixth Form staff and current Sixth Form students who will guide you through subject choices and explain what makes Thornleigh Sixth Form a unique place to study.

Year 11 Students -

New Student Taster Event

Thursday 28th January 2027

4:00pm - 6:00pm

Register for the event to try out a lesson of your choice. Staff and current Sixth Form students will be available to answer questions about subject choices and Sixth Form life.

Year 11 Students Student Information & Advice Evening

Thursday 29th April 2027

4:30pm - 6:00pm

An evening for students and parents to hear more about life as a Sixth Form student at Thornleigh. Information about results day, enrolment and how to be a successful Level 3 student.

Year 11 Students - Sixth Form Preview Day

Tuesday 20th July 2027

9:00am - 1:00pm

Students who have received an offer to join Thornleigh Sixth Form in September 2027 are invited to our preview day. This is the final opportunity to experience life as a Thornleigh Sixth Form student before GCSE results day.

YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE



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



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