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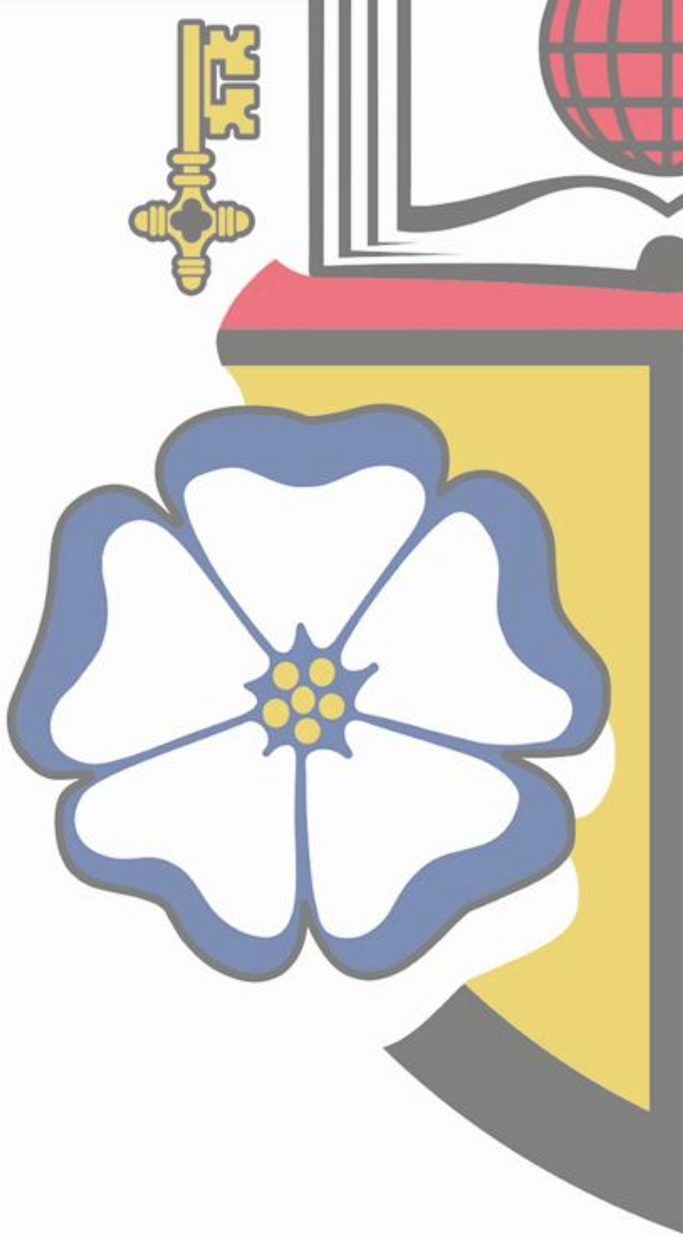
Post 16 Open Event

Thursday 5th November 2026

The Olympus Academy Trust

Aim of this presentation

- Why join Winterbourne Post 16?
- Explain how our Post 16 provision works
- Signpost you to important information, including
  - Language/terminology used
  - The transition process – importance of the initial enrolment survey (as from 5th Nov 2026)
  - Offer advice
  - Introduce the range of subjects and their <u>minimum</u> entry criteria



Introducing the team



Assistant Headteacher (KS5)
Mr Charlie Peake



Sixth Form Lead
Mr Phil Milton

Plus 13
experienced
Academic Mentors



Enrichment and EPQ
Mr Ben Rendu



Sixth Form Administrator
Mrs Jennifer Arpino

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What is sixth form about?

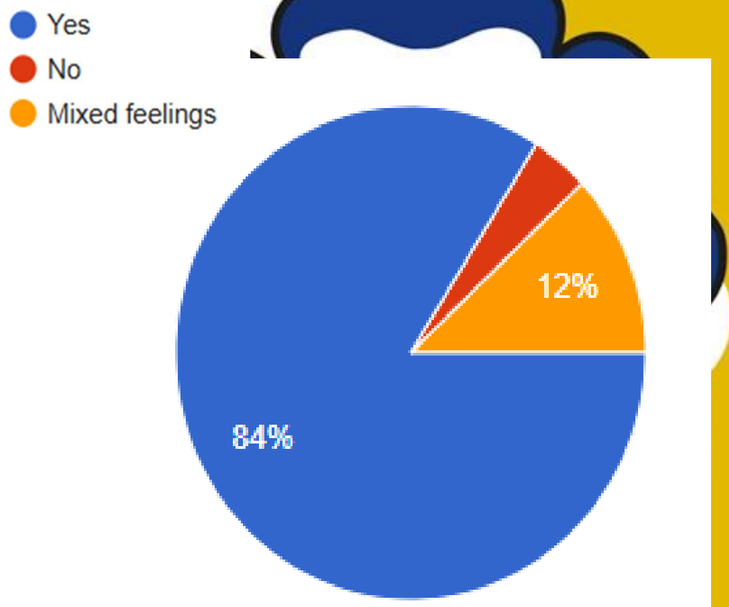
- You can study subjects that you enjoy in greater depth
- Most students will study only 3 (or possibly 4 subjects)
- You will have opportunities to meet new acquaintances as well as learning alongside existing friends.
- The two years is preparation for university, apprenticeships and/or employment.
- You will have increased independence.
- You will leave as an adult!



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Why join Winterbourne's Sixth Form in September?

- A large range of subjects to choose from (38 in total); both academic and vocational
- Outstanding careers guidance and support
- Taught by experienced subject specialists in all subjects
- Familiar faces within a familiar setting (or soon to be)
- A fantastic ethos
- Potentially near to where you live
- Leadership and enrichment opportunities
- Excellent facilities: your own common room, study areas and computer rooms
- Post 16 bespoke SEN support



Are you pleased that you or your child attended Winterbourne Academy's sixth form?
(Y13 Exit Survey 2026)

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Our Results (2026)

A Level Results	2026
Average Point Score	32.6
A* to A	21%
A* to B	44%
A* to E	98%

Applied General Results	2026
Average Point Score	33.1
D* to D	52%
D* to M	91%
D* to P	97%

Value Added for 2026 will be confirmed by the DFE later this year

A level Performance 2025	Progress Score (VA)	Student completing main study programme	Grade for a student's best three A levels	Points for a student's best three A levels
Winterbourne Academy	0.01	99%	B-	35.19
SGS	-0.36	85%	C-	26.23
St Brendan's	-0.25	82%	C	30.84

Applied General Performance 2025	Progress Score (VA)	Student completing main study programme	Average Result	Point Score
Winterbourne Academy	0.17	79%	Dist-	31.58
SGS	-0.50	91%	Merit	26.47
St Brendan's	0.01	83%	Dist-	30.82

Source: School Performance tables 2025

Source: School Performance tables 2024

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Student Enrichment / Opportunities

Enrichment Options:

- EPQ – Extended Project Qualification
- Maths Core – AS Level equivalent
- Volunteering
- Duke of Edinburgh (Gold award)
- Fitness
- Plus the introduction of ‘new’ qualifications (Personal Finance & Oracy)

Other Opportunities:

- Student leadership (including house captains, council, fundraising)
- Work Experience (one week in Year 12)
- Aspire workshops (including Oxbridge & Russell Group applicants)
- Access to Bristol applications
- HE+ (support programme for students interested in competitive universities)
- Getting involved with the community, enrichment, trips and visits

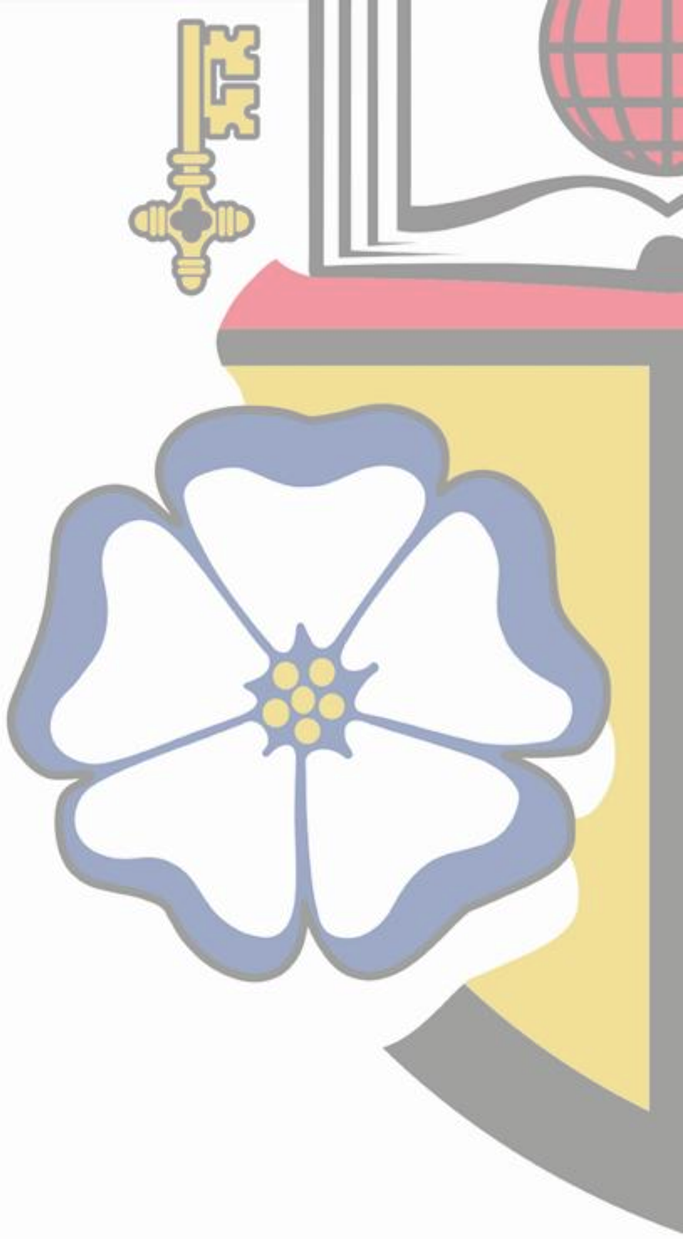
How does the sixth form work within Olympus Academy Trust?

- Winterbourne's sixth form one of three within the Trust.
- Where subject combinations cannot be timetabled, students may opt to study them at either Bradley Stoke or Abbeywood School
- A free shuttle bus is available to get you there and back

This enables the range of subjects offered to be one of the biggest in the North Bristol area

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The Application Process



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The Application Process

Year 11 Assembly
Nov 2026

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Post 16 Open Event
EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

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Initial interest online survey completed by WA Y11 students by 27th Nov 2026

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Curriculum planning begins

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Student interviews to take place (if required) to ensure students are on the correct course
- Starting Term 3

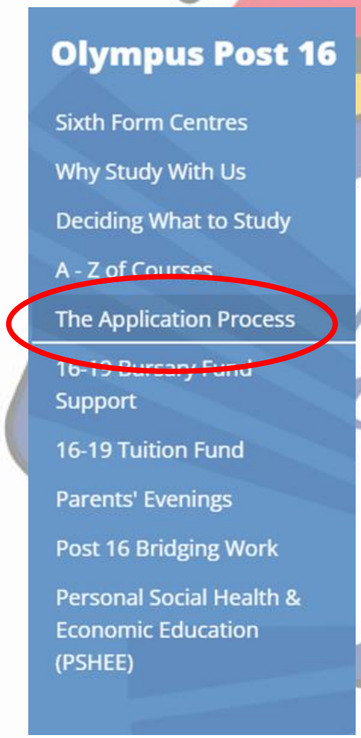
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Student letters are received to confirm a conditional place at Winterbourne Academy – End of Term 5

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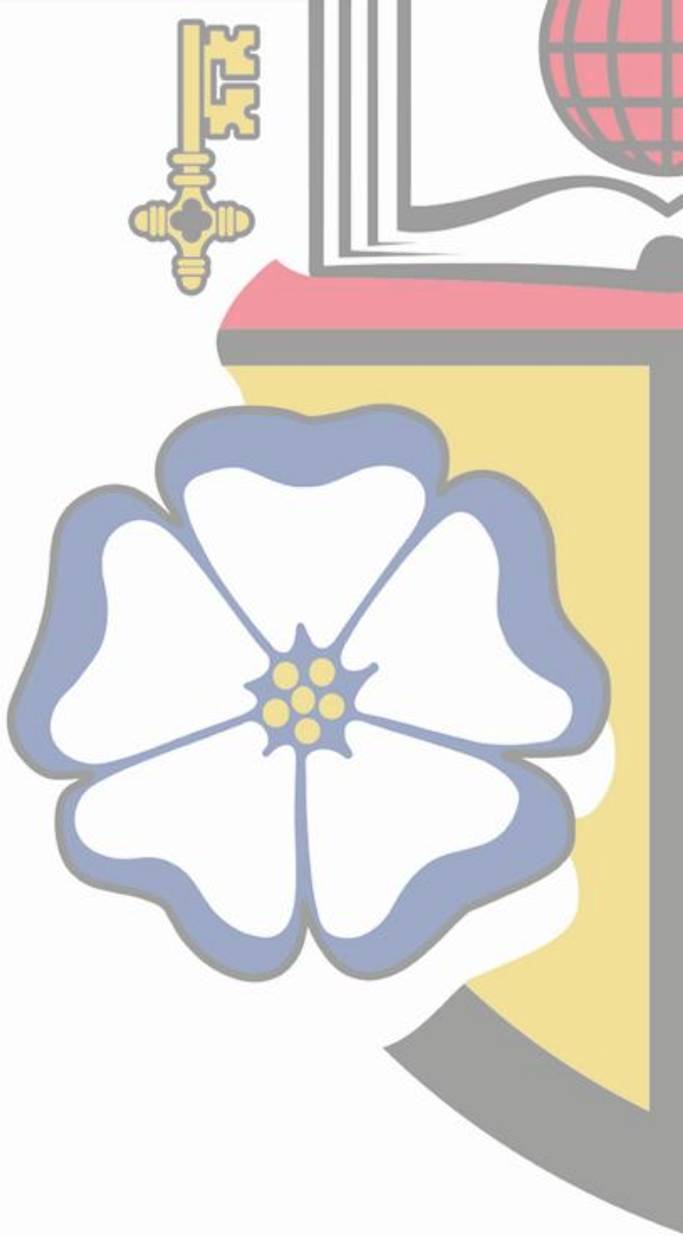
Application process for external students

Application form available within the Olympus Post 16 website, within ‘The Application Process’





What can I study?



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FAQs

- What if I can’t decide what to study?
- What if I change my mind after I make my selection?
- What if I’m not sure I wish to stay at Winterbourne after Year 11?
- How many subjects should I study?
- Are A levels better than vocational courses (e.g. BTec, CamTech)?
- What happens if I do not get the grades?

Further Reading Information Booklet

(available via the Winterbourne Academy website)



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Further Reading

Olympus Post 16

Olympus Post 16 offers Sixth Form courses collaboratively with the following local centres:

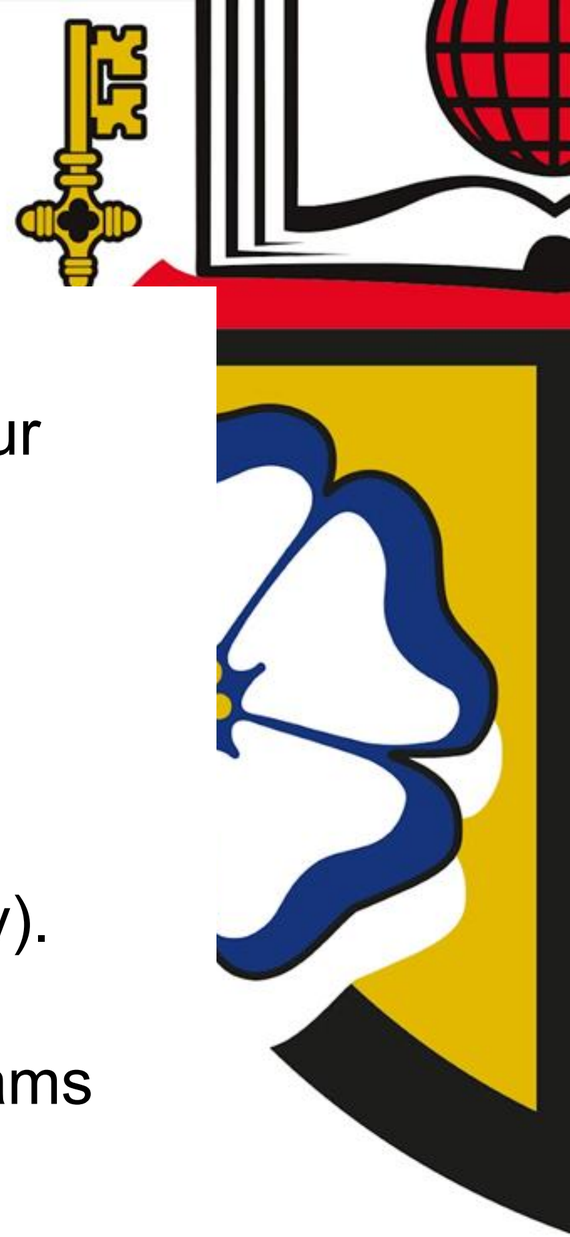
- Abbeywood Community School
- Bradley Stoke Community School
- Winterbourne Academy

As a partnership our aim is to provide a wide range of opportunities for Post 16 education matched to students' individual needs. We commission courses according to what students want to study in each centre and based on provision of the highest quality.

We provide transport to enable students to access courses and our tutorial support and pastoral care is highly regarded. We have unrivalled modern, specialist facilities to enhance students' learning.

What's next?

- Look at Olympus & WA websites
- Consider what career you may wish to pursue – it may affect your subject choices
- Research the courses you wish to study (A level vs vocational)
- Talk to your parents
- Talk to your teachers
- Talk to friends (and any older siblings)
- Complete the online survey (existing Winterbourne students only). External applicant apply via the Olympus website.
- In the meantime, work hard, revise and be prepared for your exams next summer



Thank you for listening and we look forward to seeing you all again in September!