

## **Entrance Requirements 2026**

#### **A Level Qualifications:**

5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above, including Grade 4 or above in Mathematics and Grade 4 or above in English Language and/or Literature. There are also further subject specific criteria which must also be met.

Students will be asked to select 3 subjects to study at Ravens Wood, and a maximum of 4; the Extended Project Qualification will also be offered to some students. All courses run as linear, two year A Levels. We will continue to ensure the best advice is offered to all our students to maximise their full potential. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact <a href="mailto:sixthform@rws.uk.net">sixthform@rws.uk.net</a>

#### **How to Apply**

Applications will be online and open from **Wednesday 12th November 2025**. A link will be provided at this time. If you are in **internal student** you should enrol via the bespoke invite shared to your school email.

The deadline for applications is **Friday 12**th **December 2025**.

### **Changes to the Curriculum Offer**

Although we will endeavour to offer all of the courses detailed in this prospectus, we do reserve the right to remove courses if necessary, or to amend your offer due to the restrictions of timetabling. If this situation does arise during the application process it will be communicated to you at the earliest possible opportunity. Courses are confirmed as final on GCSE result's day and during the subsequent enrolment process.

If we are oversubscribed on enrolment day, we will follow our Oversubscription Criteria for Admission to Year 12 (Sixth Form) as set out in our Admissions Policy.

### Mr N McCartney

Assistant Headteacher, KS5



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Subject	Additional subject specific entry criteria	Exam Board
Art & Design Graphic Design Photography	<b>Grade 5 or above</b> in either GCSE Art or Photography. <b>Grade 5 or above</b> in English. If GCSE Art or Photography not studied then interview with portfolio. (3 separate art based A Levels).	AQA
Business Studies	Grade 5 or above in Mathematics and English.	EDUQAS
Computer Science	<b>Grade 5 or above</b> in Computer Science. <b>Grade 5 or above</b> in Mathematics.	AQA
Design Technology	<b>Grade 5 or above</b> in DT - Resistant Materials, Graphic Products or Product Design.	AQA
Drama and Theatre Studies	Grade 5 or above in Drama and a practical audition. Grade 5 or above in English.	EDEXCEL
Economics	<b>Grade 6 or above</b> in English Language/Literature and <b>Grade 6 or above</b> in Mathematics.	EDEXCEL
English Combined Language and Literature	Grade 6 or above in English Language/Literature.	EDEXCEL
English Literature	Grade 6 or above in English Language/Literature.	EDEXCEL
Film Studies	Grade 5 or above in English.	WJEC
French and German	Grade 5 or above in the relevant language.	WJEC
Geography	Grade 5 or above in Geography. Grade 5 or above in English.	EDEXCEL
History	Grade 5 or above in History. Grade 5 or above in English.	OCR
Mathematics	Grade 7 or above in Mathematics.	OCR MEI
Media Studies	<b>Grade</b> 5 or above in Media Studies if taken. <b>Grade 5 or above</b> in English	OCR
Music	<b>Grade 5 or above</b> in Music. If GCSE Music not studied then an audition and practical Grade 5 or above (ABRSM/Trinity syllabus) is required.	EDUQAS



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Music Technology	<b>Grade 5 or above</b> in Music. If GCSE Music not studied then an audition is required.	EDEXCEL
Philosophy, Religion and Ethics	Grade 5 or above in any Humanities subject. Grade 5 or above in English.	OCR
Physical Education	<b>Grade 5 or above</b> in PE with a minimum of a <b>Grade 5 or above</b> in the GCSE Theory paper. Also <b>Grade 5 or above</b> in Combined Science.	AQA
Politics	Grade 5 or above in any Humanities subject. Grade 5 or above in English.	EDEXCEL
Psychology	Grade 5 or above in Science. Grade 5 or above in Mathematics and English.	AQA
Sciences - Biology, Chemistry and Physics	Grade 6-6 or above in Combined Science or a Grade 6 or above in the relevant science for those studying the Triple Award.  Biology – Grade 6 or above in English and Maths.  Chemistry – Grade 6 or above in Maths and English.  Physics – Grade 5 or above in English and Grade 7 or above in Maths.  Physics must be taken with Maths A Level	AQA
Sociology	Grade 5 or above in any Humanities subject. Grade 5 or above in English.	OCR
All Vocational Courses	5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, including Mathematics and English Language/Literature. The Vocational Courses available are:  Vocational Business Vocational Media Production Vocational Sport Please note you can apply for two of these subjects, plus one A Level subject	EDEXCEL
	Subjects that can only be studied as a 4 <sup>th</sup> subject:	
Extended Project Qualification	The Extended Project Qualification is an independent research project worth half an A Level (up to 28 UCAS points) and is highly valued by top universities.  Grade 5 or above in Mathematics and English.	
Further Mathematics	<b>Grade 7 or above</b> in Mathematics. Studied in conjunction with Mathematics as a <b>4</b> <sup>th</sup> subject.	OCR MEI

\*\* Students are required to have a Grade 6 at GCSE to study this subject.