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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 sixthform@rws.uk.net

How to Apply

Applications will be online and open from **Wednesday 18th November 2026**. 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 11th December 2026**.

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	**Grade 5 or above** in either GCSE Art or Photography. **Grade 5 or above** 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	**Grade 6 or above** in Computer Science. **Grade 6 or above** in Mathematics.	AQA
	Design Technology	**Grade 5 or above** 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	**Grade 6 or above** in English Language/Literature and **Grade 6 or above** in Mathematics.	EDEXCEL
**	English Combined Language and Literature	**Grade 5 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	**Grade** 5 or above in Media Studies if taken. **Grade 5 or above** in English	OCR
	Music	**Grade 5 or above** 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	**Grade 5 or above** 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	**Grade 6 or above** in PE with a minimum of a **Grade 6 or above** in the GCSE Theory paper. Also **Grade 5 or above** 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 4th 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	**Grade 7 or above** in Mathematics. Studied in conjunction with Mathematics as a **4th** subject.	OCR MEI

*** These subjects may not be studied at GCSE however a Grade 5 is required in other related subjects**
**** Students are required to have a Grade 6 at GCSE to study this subject.**