

The image features two young women standing in front of a modern, multi-story building with large windows. The woman on the left is wearing a light grey hoodie and a blue lanyard with 'FCC Sixth Form STUDENT' printed on it. The woman on the right is wearing a light blue t-shirt and a similar blue lanyard. The background shows a clear blue sky with some clouds and a green field. A dark diagonal overlay is present on the left side of the image, containing the text.

FARINGDON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
6TH FORM

PROSPECTUS 2025/2026

Belong, Believe,
Aspire, Achieve

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Welcome to Faringdon Community College Sixth Form

Hello, I am Mrs Button, Director of Key stage 5 and I am delighted and really proud to represent the Sixth Form at Faringdon Community College. I have been teaching since 1991 and joined FCC in 1997. I teach A Level Geography and Sociology.

We are a small sixth form offering A Level courses only, this means we adopt a caring, supportive approach to encourage all our students to achieve their potential. We quickly get to know our students, so they become an integral part of our community.

We strive to give all students the best educational experience possible, complimented by many extra-curricular activities, giving a broad and balanced sixth form life.





Why FCC

At Faringdon Community College we offer an inclusive student-centered approach that values each individual student's strengths and aspirations.

Being a smaller sixth form enables us to offer a personalised approach allowing all students to thrive and reach their goals. This is further supported with our experienced sixth form mentors and teachers who are there to give guidance and help students on their A Level journey.

"My experience of being a part of the senior student team at FCC has been such a positive one. I have thoroughly enjoyed seeing my ideas being put into action, and being a part of the community created. Being a senior student has also led improvements within myself as well as the school, as the public speaking experience has greatly improved my confidence, and I am sure that it is a skill that will come in handy in my future."

Jess Year 13

AIMS AND ETHOS

The ethos of our school is rooted in four core values: **Belong, Believe, Aspire, Achieve** which form the foundation of everything we do. We encourage our students to **achieve** their best both academically and personally. We want our students to **aspire** to make a positive difference in their community and beyond. Our 6th form is a place where we want our students to **belong** and **believe** in their full potential.

'Continuing onto sixth form was the best possible option for me. The focused and tailored environment is strengthened as your teachers get to know you and your strengths and weaknesses. Sixth form at FCC is genuinely a great experience' Alex Year 12



PASTORAL

A strength we have at Faringdon Community College Sixth Form and something that we are incredibly proud of is our Pastoral care. We believe this plays a key role in supporting student's personal development and well-being.

We understand that the step from year 11 to Sixth Form can be daunting and comes with a different set of challenges but we are here to support.

Students are allocated an experienced Mentor who sees them everyday along with academic coaching. Students also have access to the Sixth Form office where the Sixth Form Head of year is based along with the Student Manager who is also there to support and nurture.



ADMISSIONS



We are excited that you are considering applying for a place at Faringdon Community College Sixth Form.

Our Sixth Form is here to help you reach your full potential and support you into your next chapter, whether that be university, employment or apprenticeship. We believe that Faringdon Community College can give you the supportive and nurturing environment needed for you to achieve this.

Our aim is to make the application process as seamless as possible, and we are here to support you every step of the way.

Before you apply, please look at our curriculum page [curriculum](#) where you can see the subject's we on offer (subject to demand). This will give you and insight into the content the A Level subject requires along with the expectations of coursework and exam.

We welcome applications from students currently studying GCSEs at Faringdon Community College and other secondary schools.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

We want to give all students the opportunity to succeed and do well at Faringdon Community College Sixth Form.

A GCSE grade of 6 (or above) is a good indicator that a student will be able to successfully cope with the increased challenge and rigour of studying a subject at A-Level.

However, our entry requirement has a degree of flexibility to allow us to accept students who we believe have shown the necessary work ethic in Key Stage 4 but have gained a GCSE grade 5 in a subject they wish to study at A Level.

A major factor in students achieving success at A level is the effort and commitment shown during KS4 continuing through to KS5.

If you intend to apply to study A Levels at FCC, you should be predicted a GCSE grade 5 in both English and Maths, along with a grade 6 - or higher - in the subjects you have chosen to study at A Level.

Students who do not achieve a level 4 GCSE in either Maths or English will need to resit their Maths or English GCSE during their time in Sixth Form.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

TASTER DAYS

Students are asked to choose subjects they would like to sample to help them decide on their subject choices. Students are allocated 5 subjects to attend on the taster day. It is sensible for students to choose subjects they might want to investigate, rather than subjects they know and want to study.

SIXTH FORM APPLICATION

Application forms will be available to complete online and through our website after the taster sessions.

STUDENT INTERVIEW

Some students may be called to interview to assess their ability to study certain subjects.

GCSE RESULTS DAY

Students will receive a letter confirming their place or an invite to interview into FCC 6th form. Students who have not met the criteria will be fully supported and will be advised to speak to our Careers advisor for alternative post 16 options.

Timeline:

Thursday 6th November 2025 Sixth Form Open Evening	Monday 19th January 2026 Sixth Form Taster Days	Tuesday 20th January 2026 Applications to Sixth Form open
Monday 23rd February 2026 Application Deadline	Monday 13th April 2026 Initial Conditional offer made	Monday 29 – Tuesday 1 st June 2026 Induction Days
July/August 2026 Summer transition work set	September 2026 Final offers made and GCSE results day	July/August 2026 Formal enrolment into Sixth Form

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Personal Development Days

At Faringdon Community College we recognise the value that both universities and employers place on transferable skills, so we constantly look for opportunities to enhance these. One of the ways we do this is by holding 4 Personal Development Days over the year, where the student's normal timetables are suspended for the day, and they participate in different curriculum-based activities. These range from University visits, UCAS convention, Professional talks on Finance, Wellbeing activities like Yoga and Self-defence along with our most popular The Cookie Apprentice. These days are always enjoyed along with learning key skills.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR

We at Faringdon Community College want our students to be presented with as much variety of opportunities as possible.

Sixth Form students have the opportunity to embark on exciting trips, including skiing in Austria, historical visit to Monte Cassio, an adventurous trip to Uganda along with an inspiring science trip to CERN.

Students also get the opportunity to be involved with subject led trips such as Geography trips to Wales, Politics trips to the Houses of Parliament, Theatre trips, DT trips to Harry Potter World along with some Christmas events like Bath Christmas Markets and Winter Wonderland.

