



**KING EDWARD VI
LORDSWOOD
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**

Educational excellence for our City



Our Sixth Form Prospectus

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Welcome

Choosing a place of study for post-16 courses is no easy matter – so much of your future success depends on the skills, experiences and qualifications gained in this phase of your education. So what could King Edward VI Lordswood School for Girls sixth form offer you?

You will join a vibrant and diverse community. As well as being the chosen destination for our own Year 11 students, our sixth form draws students from many schools across the city. Our sixth form students are able to benefit from well-qualified and inspirational teachers who are committed to ensuring that all students are able to develop key skills, knowledge and understanding and to achieve their fullest potential. Students at King Edward VI Lordswood School for Girls sixth form make notable progress during their time with us.

KEVI LSG sixth form offers a wide range of courses and qualifications tailored to the needs of the individual. At Lordswood you are not simply another student; we aim to develop you and your skills and to support you in your studies and your future.

We encourage our students to be aspirational, to be committed to their studies and have an interest and willingness to get involved in the wider life of the sixth form, school and local community.

Ms Karen Leadbetter
Director of Post 16 Studies





Sixth Form Enrichment

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Subject-based enrichment further enhances classroom learning, with a range of exciting trips and visits that bring study to life. Recent examples include visiting Parliament in London, exploring the Birmingham Police Museum, enjoying the German Market as part of Business Studies, and celebrating success with an Alton Towers trip.

Leadership and community are at the heart of Sixth Form life. Our Student Leadership Team plays a key role within the school, taking on meaningful responsibilities such as supporting prefects and overseeing initiatives like the Reading Buddies programme. In addition, our Eco Committee, run entirely by Sixth Form students, promotes sustainability and drives positive environmental change within the school community.

Students are also encouraged to share their voices and ideas through contributions to the Student Voice Magazine and by helping to lead and support school clubs and activities. Alongside this, our dedicated student social space and study areas provide a perfect balance between collaboration, relaxation and focused independent work.

At Lordswood, there is always more on offer — new experiences, new opportunities, and countless ways to grow in confidence, leadership and independence.

Sixth Form Facilities and Canteen

Our Sixth Form students benefit from excellent facilities designed to support both study and wellbeing.

The dedicated Sixth Form areas offer quiet study zones for focused work, as well as comfortable social spaces where students can relax and connect with friends between lessons.

A particular highlight is our wonderful canteen, where students can enjoy a wide variety of freshly prepared meals, snacks and drinks throughout the day. The friendly and welcoming catering team take pride in providing delicious food to suit all tastes and dietary requirements, creating a warm and inclusive environment that's a real hub of school life.



Our Courses

Biology

Exam Board: AQA

A-level Biology explores the fascinating mechanisms of life, from the molecular building blocks of organisms to the complex interactions within ecosystems. You will investigate topics such as biological molecules, cells, genetic information, variation and relationships between organisms, and how organisms exchange substances with their environment.

The course develops your understanding of scientific principles through both theory and practical investigation. You will enhance your analytical, numerical and problem-solving skills — highly valued for further study in biology, medicine, veterinary science, environmental science and biotechnology.

Business

Exam Board: Edexcel

Business is a dynamic subject that examines how organisations operate and respond to a constantly changing environment. You will explore themes such as marketing, finance, management, strategy and global business.

The course develops an understanding of how decisions are made within organisations and how businesses grow, adapt and compete. Whether your ambition is to start your own business or work for a global company, A-level Business equips you with critical thinking, communication and leadership skills that are invaluable in higher education and the workplace.

Chemistry

Exam Board: AQA

A-level Chemistry helps you understand the structure, composition and reactions of matter — from atomic theory to complex organic compounds. You will study physical, inorganic and organic chemistry, exploring topics such as atomic structure, bonding, energetics, kinetics, equilibria, redox reactions and organic synthesis.

Through practical and theoretical work, you will develop problem-solving, mathematical and investigative skills that are essential for careers in science, medicine, engineering, environmental work and research.

English Literature

Exam Board: AQA

English Literature at A-level offers an engaging and thought-provoking study of prose, poetry and drama across different periods and genres. You will explore classic and modern texts, developing your ability to analyse language, evaluate interpretations and make informed comparisons.

The course encourages independent reading and research, equipping you with skills in critical thinking, argument and communication. These are invaluable for higher education and careers in writing, media, law, teaching and many other fields.

Fine Art

Exam Board: AQA

Fine Art A-level encourages creativity, self-expression and critical thinking through a wide range of artistic media and techniques. You will experiment with areas such as drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, photography and digital media, developing your own style and ideas through independent projects.

The course builds research, communication and analytical skills, preparing you for creative degrees and careers in fine art, design, architecture, illustration, fashion and art therapy.

Computer Science

Exam Board: OCR

Computer Science is at the heart of innovation and modern technology. This course provides a strong foundation in programming, algorithms and systems architecture, alongside an understanding of how computers exchange and process data. You will also explore the ethical and cultural impacts of computing.

A substantial independent programming project allows you to design, implement and evaluate your own solution to a real-world problem. The course builds creativity, logical reasoning and analytical skills that are sought after in many fields, from software development to data science and beyond.

Film Studies

Exam Board: OCR

Film Studies invites you to explore the power of cinema to entertain, inform and inspire. You will study a diverse range of films — from early silent cinema to Hollywood blockbusters, world cinema and independent productions — gaining insight into film history, theory and critical perspectives.

The course combines creative and academic elements, allowing you to apply your knowledge by producing your own short film or screenplay. It's ideal for students who enjoy creative expression, critical analysis and storytelling.

Geography

Exam Board: AQA

Geography bridges the natural and social sciences, helping you understand how the physical world and human societies interact. You will study key themes such as water and carbon cycles, coastal systems, hazards, global governance, urban environments and changing places.

The course includes a fieldwork investigation, developing practical research and analytical skills. Geography is a facilitating subject that supports a wide range of university and career paths, from environmental management and planning to journalism, law and international development.





Government & Politics

Exam Board: Edexcel

A-level Politics offers a deep understanding of how political systems operate in the UK and across the world. You will examine democracy, political parties, voting behaviour, the constitution, parliament and the role of the Prime Minister, alongside key political ideologies such as liberalism, conservatism, socialism and feminism.

The course also explores global politics, including human rights, global governance and international relations. It builds analytical, evaluative and research skills that are highly valued for degrees in politics, law, international relations, history and journalism.

Law

Exam Board: AQA

A-level Law offers a comprehensive introduction to the English legal system and the principles that underpin it. You will study how laws are made and applied, examining areas such as criminal law, tort, and either human rights or contract law.

The course focuses on developing your ability to apply legal rules, construct logical arguments and critically evaluate legal issues. Law provides a strong foundation for further study in law, politics, criminology or business, and develops analytical, reasoning and communication skills valued in many professions.

History

Exam Board: OCR

History at A-level encourages critical thinking, independent research and an understanding of how past events shape the present. You will explore British and global history across different periods, developing your ability to analyse causes, consequences and interpretations of change over time.

The course also includes a personal research project, allowing you to investigate a topic of your choice. History develops skills in analysis, argument and evidence-based writing — essential for many academic and professional careers.

Mathematics

Exam Board: Edexcel

Mathematics is a core academic subject that underpins science, technology and engineering. This A-level develops your ability to think logically and solve complex problems through topics in pure mathematics, statistics and mechanics. You will study algebra, calculus, trigonometry, probability and modelling, learning how mathematical methods can be applied to real-world scenarios.

Mathematics is highly regarded by universities and employers, and supports progression into a wide range of degrees and careers in science, economics, computing, architecture and beyond.

Media Studies

Exam Board: Edexcel

Media Studies examines how media products communicate meaning and shape our understanding of the world. You will explore a variety of media forms, including film, television, advertising, magazines and digital media, analysing key texts, audiences and industries.

The course combines theoretical understanding with practical production work, giving you the opportunity to create your own media product. It develops creativity, analytical thinking and communication skills that are highly valued in the media industry and beyond.

Photography

Exam Board: AQA

Photography A-level introduces you to creative, technical and conceptual approaches to lens-based and light-based media. You will explore both traditional and digital techniques, investigating the work of photographers and artists to inspire your own practice.

The course allows for independence and experimentation, culminating in a personal project that demonstrates your creative development. Photography is ideal for students who enjoy visual communication, creativity and independent study, and it provides a strong foundation for further study in the arts or design.

Psychology

Exam Board: AQA

Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and the mind. You will explore topics such as social influence, memory, attachment, psychopathology, biological psychology, and research methods.

The course examines different approaches to explaining behaviour, from biological to cognitive and psychodynamic perspectives. You will develop skills in research design, data analysis and evaluation, and gain insight into debates such as nature versus nurture and free will versus determinism. Psychology offers a strong foundation for degrees and careers in health, education, research, and public services.

Philosophy of Religion & Ethics

Exam Board: AQA

Philosophy of Religion and Ethics explores some of the most profound questions about existence, morality and belief. You will examine classical and contemporary arguments about God, the problem of evil, and ethical theories such as utilitarianism and Kantian ethics.

The course encourages you to think critically and evaluate complex ideas, developing skills in analysis, interpretation and debate. These skills are widely applicable in subjects such as law, politics, theology and philosophy, and in careers that require empathy and critical reasoning.

Physics

Exam Board: AQA

A-level Physics explores the fundamental principles that explain the universe — from particles and radiation to mechanics, waves and electricity. You will learn how to analyse data, apply mathematical models and carry out experiments to test theories.

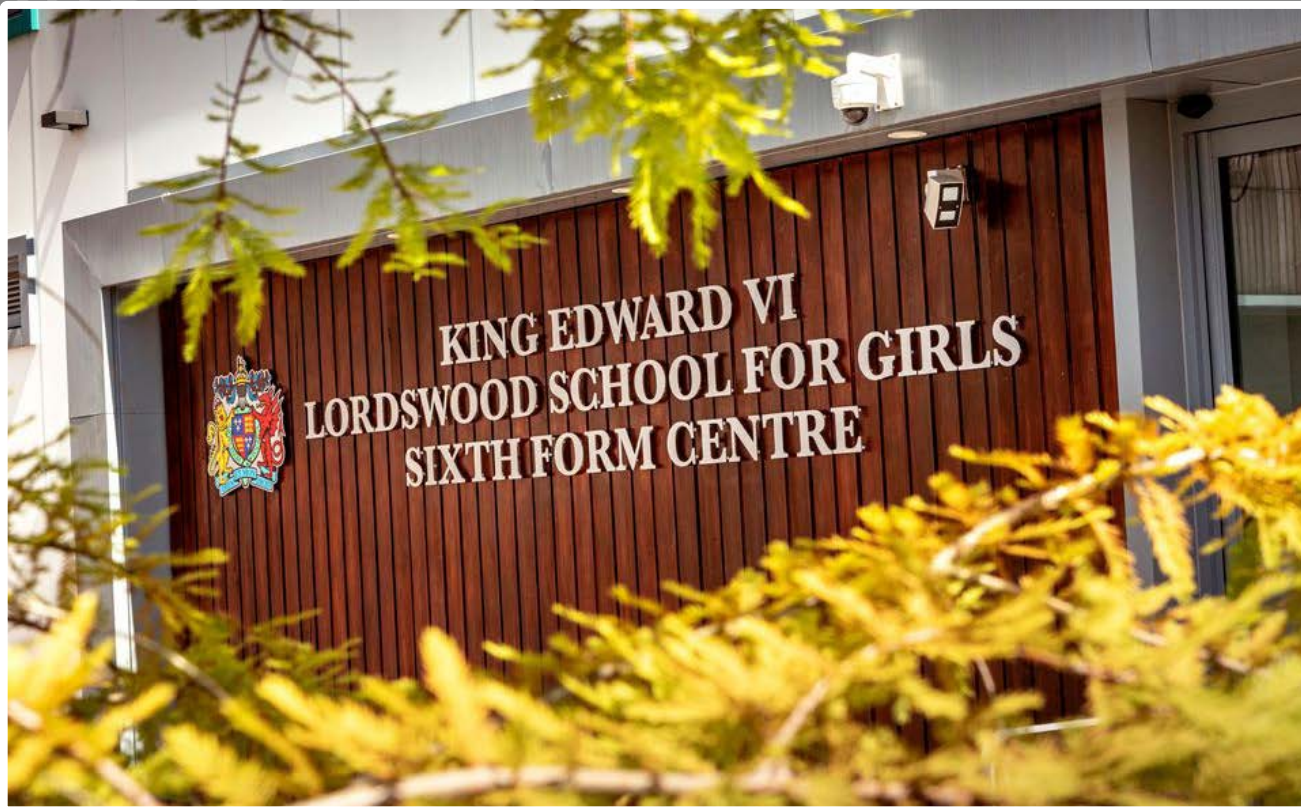
The course builds your ability to think logically and solve problems, providing a foundation for further study in physics, engineering, astrophysics, medicine and many other scientific fields.

Sociology

Exam Board: AQA

Sociology examines how society works and how our identities are shaped by factors such as class, gender, age and ethnicity. You will study key areas such as education, family and households, crime and deviance, and the media.

The course encourages you to question social structures and inequalities, and to understand how individuals and groups interact within society. Sociology develops analytical and evaluative skills and provides an excellent foundation for degrees in social sciences, criminology, politics and law, as well as careers in teaching, social work, journalism and public service.



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