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SIXTH FORM

2021-2022

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WELCOME FROM THE HEAD OF SIXTH FORM

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our Open Evening.

During your time here this evening, you will see a range of students' work and subject resources and will have the opportunity to meet staff and students.

As you tour the Sixth Form, please feel free to question our students. They will be very pleased to tell you about their subjects and answer questions about the school in general.

There will be three presentations for students and their parents in the South Hall to give you some additional details about life at St Martin's Sixth Form. After each presentation, the sixth form managers will be available to answer any additional questions you may have.

Copies of each subject's specific information sheets are available at the subject stands in the classrooms and these can also be found on the school website.

Refreshments will be available to purchase in the common room throughout the evening at the sixth form bistro.

I do hope that you have an interesting and informative evening.

Mrs S Howells
Head of Sixth Form

OFSTED: Jan 2019

'The sixth form is exceptionally well led and provides an outstanding quality of education. Students' personal development is thoughtfully provided for and they make excellent progress by the end of key stage 5.'

'Leaders make sure that students are provided with the support they need to make knowledgeable decisions about the next stage of their education, training or employment. One student commented that sixth-form staff, 'cannot be faulted' in the lengths they go to in providing help with university applications, interviews or assessments.'

PRESENTATIONS

Mr Smyrk, Headteacher and Mrs Howells, Head of Sixth Form, will be giving presentations to all prospective students and their parents at the following times in the South Hall:

- 16.15pm The subject fair can be viewed after the presentation - allow 10 minutes to walk to the hall and be seated.
- 17:15pm The subject fair can be viewed before or after the presentation - allow 10 minutes to walk to the hall and be seated.
- 18:15pm The subject fair can be viewed before this presentation and for a short while afterwards but please note the Open Evening closing time of 7.00pm

All are welcome to attend, no booking is required.

Senior members of staff will be available in the South Hall and the Sixth Form Common Room to answer any questions.

Subject teachers will be at the Subject Fair in classrooms in the Sixth Form Centre, Creative Arts block, and the North Building's science and humanities rooms, along with students who can give you information on their subject syllabus, entry requirements and have examples of classwork and books used.

Maps showing which rooms are hosting each subject are displayed for your information – but please ask any member of staff or student for directions. Toilets are available by the Sixth Form Library, in the Creative Arts block and the North building. A disabled toilet is opposite room V002 in the Sixth Form Centre, and via a lift, on the 1st floor of the Creative Arts block. The prospectus and application form can be found on the school website within the sixth form area.

Refreshments are available to purchase from our bistro in the sixth form common room.

Please register upon arrival either at the South Hall Entrance or the Sixth Form Centre.

SUBJECT FAIR

16.00pm – 19.00pm

(Presentations with Mr Smyrk, Headteacher and Mrs Howells, Head of Sixth Form – 16:15pm, 17:15pm and 18:15pm – South Hall)

We will be using the following rooms for the subject fair (there will be student guides to help direct you to the different buildings):

SIXTH FORM CENTRE – DOWNSTAIRS

Common Room: Registration Desk / Psychology

Library: Maths / Further Maths

Room V001: ICT / Computer Science

Room V002: Philosophy

Room V003: Politics / Sociology

Room V004: Photography

SIXTH FORM CENTRE – UPSTAIRS

Room V101: EPQ

Room V102: Media Studies

Room V103: Health and Social Care

Room V104: PE / Sport

Room V105: English Literature / English Language

Room V106/7: Business Studies / Economics

NORTH BUILDING:

Room N009: Biology

Room N010: Chemistry

Room N011: Physics

Room N016: Geography

Room N015: History

Room N012: French / German

CREATIVE ARTS BUILDING:

Drama Space: Drama

Room C002/6: Music

Room C103: Product Design / Fashion & Textiles

Room C104: Art

SUBJECT ENTRY CRITERIA

The requirements for studying a particular subject are listed in the following table. Further details of the courses can be found on the relevant subject page on our website <http://www.st-martins.essex.sch.uk/page/?title=Sixth+Form>

Where a student wishes to continue a subject from GCSE into A-level but does not achieve the required GCSE results, every effort is taken to ensure fair treatment between such a student and others who have not previously studied the subject.

The number of classes and the availability of particular subjects are dependent upon the initial level of interest demonstrated by potential students and upon the staffing and other resources available. Whilst every reasonable effort will be made to provide the courses listed, any may be withdrawn without further notice should the school decide that this action is warranted. Similarly, it cannot be guaranteed that subjects will be available in any particular combination.

Route 1	<p>3 A levels with optional EPQ.</p> <p><i>Requirements: Five 9-5 grades at GCSE, English grade 4 and Maths grade 4, plus individual subject requires a grade 6, Maths requires grade 7, Further Maths requires grade 8</i></p>
Route 2	<p>A combination of A-levels and at least one BTEC Extended Certificates with optional EPQ</p> <p><i>Requirements: Five 9- 4 grades at GCSE plus English 4 and Maths 4</i></p>
Route 3	<p>1 or 2 subjects with relevant work experience</p> <p><i>Requirements: Five 9- 4 grades at GCSE plus English 4 and Maths 4, plus individual subject requirements</i></p>

Full entry criteria can be found on the individual subject pages on the school website.

SUBJECT ENTRY CRITERIA

Subject	Entry requirements where this subject has been studied at GCSE	Entry requirements where this subject has not been studied at GCSE
Art & Design	Art & Design 6	A portfolio of work of an equivalent standard
Biology	Biology 6 and Maths 6	Double Award Science 6/6, Maths 6. (5/5 may be considered in some circumstances but this will be at the discretion of the sixth form team)
Business Studies	Business Studies 6 or Economics 6 or BTEC Business at Distinction level	Any Humanity 6 (full course) or English Lit/Lang 6, and Maths 5
Business Studies Extended Certificate BTEC	Business Studies 5 or Economics 5 or BTEC Business at Merit level	Any Humanity 5 (full course) or English Lit/Lang 5, and Maths 4
Chemistry	Chemistry 6 and Maths 6	Double Award Science 6/6, Maths 6. (5/5 may be considered in some circumstances but this will be at the discretion of the sixth form team)
Computer Science	Computing 6	Maths 6
D & T (Product Design Graphics with Materials)	Technology 6	N/A
D & T (Textiles)	Technology (Textiles) 6	N/A
Drama & Theatre Studies	Drama 6 or BTEC Performing Arts Merit	English Language 6
Economics	Economics 6 or Business Studies 6	Any Humanity 6 or English 6 and Maths 6
English Language	English Language 6 or English Literature 6	N/A
English Literature	English Literature 6 or English Language 6	N/A
Food Science and Nutrition – Level 3 Diploma	GCSE 9-4 in one or more of: Food Prep & Nutrition, Hospitality & Catering or Home Economics: Food & Nutrition	N/A
French	French 6	N/A
Further Maths (must also be studying Maths)	Maths 8	N/A

Geography	Geography 6	English 6 and a Science subject 6
German	German 6	N/A
Government and Politics		English 6, History 6, Sociology 6 or equivalent Humanity 6
Health and Social Care Extended Certificate BTEC	Health and Social Care Level 2 BTEC Merit.	Double Science 5/5
History	History 6	English, Sociology or equivalent Humanity 6
Information Technology BTEC	Information Technology 6 or Level 2 BTEC Distinction.	Maths 5
Maths	Maths 7	N/A
Media Studies BTEC	Media Studies 6	English Language 6
Music	Music 6	Grade 5 on any instrument or voice (or an ability to play/sing to this standard) A secure knowledge of music theory (Grade 5 preferable but not essential)
Music Technology	Music 6	Grade 5 on any instrument or voice (or an ability to play/sing to this standard) A secure knowledge of music theory (Grade 5 preferable but not essential)
Photography	Photography 6 or Art 6	Portfolio of Photography work to the equivalent standard
Physical Education	Physical Education 6	Biology 6 or two Sciences 6/6 and English Language 6
Sport Extended Certificate BTEC	Physical Education 5	Biology 5 or two Sciences 5/5 and English Language 5
Physics	Physics 6 and Maths 6	Double Award Science 6/6, Maths 6. (5/5 may be considered in some circumstances but this will be at the discretion of the sixth form team)
Psychology		English 6, Biology 6 (or double science 5/5) and Maths 5
Philosophy	English, History, Sociology or equivalent Humanity 6	N/A
Sociology	Sociology 6	English, History or equivalent Humanity 6

SUMMER 2021 A-LEVEL RESULTS

Name	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	A* %	A %	B %	C %	D %	E %	U %
Ar	11	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	36	36	27	0	0	0	0
Bi	39	3	9	9	9	5	4	0	8	23	23	23	13	10	0
Bs	31	3	4	9	10	3	2	0	10	13	29	32	10	7	0
Ch	24	4	5	3	5	5	2	0	17	21	13	21	21	8	0
Cp	16	4	7	3	2	0	0	0	25	44	19	13	0	0	0
De	4	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	50	25	0	25	0	0
Dr	10	4	1	4	1	0	0	0	40	10	40	10	0	0	0
Ec	40	2	7	15	13	2	1	0	5	18	38	33	5	3	0
El	33	1	13	6	7	6	0	0	3	39	18	21	18	0	0
En	24	1	5	11	5	2	0	0	4	21	46	21	8	0	0
Fm	10	5	4	0	1	0	0	0	50	40	0	10	0	0	0
Fr	5	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	40	20	0	20	20	0
Gg	16	4	4	3	3	1	1	0	25	25	19	19	6	6	0
Hi	23	3	5	7	6	2	0	0	13	22	30	26	9	0	0
Ma	55	16	19	7	6	4	2	1	29	35	13	11	7	4	2
Mu	6	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0
Pd	12	4	3	2	2	1	0	0	33	25	17	17	8	0	0
Pg	12	1	5	5	1	0	0	0	8	42	42	8	0	0	0
Ph	31	6	6	7	3	3	5	1	19	19	23	10	10	16	3
Pi	66	22	11	15	13	2	3	0	33	17	23	20	3	5	0
Po	15	1	3	5	5	0	1	0	7	20	33	33	0	7	0
Pt	13	1	2	6	3	0	1	0	8	15	46	23	0	8	0
Py	12	1	3	6	0	1	1	0	8	25	50	0	8	8	0
So	22	1	5	8	5	1	2	0	5	23	36	23	5	9	0
Tx	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	50	0	50	0	0	0

	Entries	Dist*	Dist	Merit	Pass	U
Business studies BTEC	10	0	5	3	2	0
Media Studies BTEC	27	9	14	4	0	0
Health & Social Care BTEC	7	2	1	3	1	0
Information Technology BTEC	4	1	3	0	0	0
Sports and Exercise BTEC	5	2	0	3	0	0

	Entries	Dist %	Dist%	Merit%	Pass%	U%
Business studies BTEC	10	0	50	30	20	0
Media Studies BTEC	27	33	52	15	0	0
Health & Social Care BTEC	7	29	14	43	14	0
Information Technology BTEC	4	25	75	0	0	0
Sports and Exercise BTEC	5	40	0	60	0	0

SIXTH FORM ADMISSIONS – APPLICATIONS CLOSING DATE – TUESDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2022

Any queries on the **admissions process**, please email: sixthformadmissions@st-martins.essex.sch.uk or call the office on 01277 238366.

The Sixth Form section of the school website (click '**Menu**' from main school website) will give full details on the courses offered, subject entry requirements, application form, and other information on life in the sixth form.



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Sixth Form

The Sixth Form at St Martin's School provides advanced level courses to approximately 400 students between the ages of 16 and 19, in a dedicated Sixth Form centre that provides teaching and study space for them.

There is access to additional teaching space and specialist facilities within the Main School Campus. St Martin's School has a student population of over 1750 with more than 200 members of staff.

The Sixth Form Centre is specifically for the use of our senior students and provides a pleasant and quiet place to work. The Centre allows the students to have their own study areas; library, quiet study area, computer facilities, seminar rooms, toilets and lockable storage. The sixth form common room encompasses an additional study area and benefits from its own "bistro" where students can obtain light meals, snacks and drinks during break times. Wifi access is available for students to use their own portable devices to study. The Sixth Form Office is open during school hours and is accessible directly from the Common Room. In addition, there is a pleasant outdoor area for the use of sixth form students to socialise and take advantage of alfresco dining, weather permitting.

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Course information can be found under '**KS5 Curriculum**' on the first page and subject entry requirements summarised with the Subject Blocks can be found under '**Apply**'

How to access the application form. From the Sixth Form Home page (see last screen shot), click on '**Apply**' on the right hand side and then '**Application Form**'. Details of courses are also in this section.



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This section contains all the information you will need when applying for a place at St Martin's Sixth Form.

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When you click on '**Application Form**' the online form will open. Please choose only three subjects unless choosing Further Maths. When completed you will receive an automated reply to confirm receipt.



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Application Form

Official Sensitive - St Martin's School fully complies with information legislation. For full details on how we use your personal information please see our [Privacy Notice](#).

Please note fields marked with * are mandatory and must be completed.

Your Details

Student Surname *

Student Forename(s) *

Gender: *

Date of Birth *

House Number/Name *

Street *

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ADMISSIONS TIMETABLE – 2021/22 ACADEMIC YEAR

10 November 2021: Open Evening

January/February 2022: Morning tours from 9.00am-9.45am (by appointment) for small groups of students and parents. Tours will be available starting week commencing Monday 10 January 2022. Places must be booked in advance – please see website for details nearer the time.

1 February 2022: Deadline for application – any applications received after midnight on this date will be placed on our waiting list.

Mid February 2022: ‘Next Steps’ email sent to all who applied by the deadline

March/April 2022: Advice & Guidance meetings - drop-in sessions held after school 3:30-5:00pm (dates to be advised in February email).

Mid-End April 2022: Emails to applicants requesting confirmation of intention to attend Taster days.

June 2022: Letters sent with conditional offers to applicants and formal invitation to attend the Taster Days in July.

July 2022: Two-day Taster Programme and last chance to change subject choices and submission of reference.

25 August 2022: Results Day (*results from students from other schools must be submitted by 1.00pm by email with a scanned copy or a clear photo of the results as an attachment – a hard copy original should be provided if a place is accepted*)

25 August onwards: Notification of Place. (This timing is approximate and places may be notified several days after this date).

- Applicants ***must be able to access email during these days*** in order to confirm acceptance of their place by a date to be advised or it may be given to others on the waiting list;
- Applicants must be available to either meet in person or over the telephone during the days of 25 – 26 August to discuss any course changes.
- Students from other schools need to attend an induction morning at the start of the new term to meet their tutor and have a photograph taken.

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION

The ability to work independently and to take responsibility for one's own learning is highly valued by both future employers and by universities. A 'stretch and challenge' element of the Sixth Form at St Martin's School is available for all students who wish to undertake an individual research project: The Extended Project Qualification [EPQ].

The EPQ is a piece of personal research that requires students to plan, prepare, complete and present a project on a topic or theme of their own choosing but separate to their other A-level examination work. Students will be assigned a staff mentor to guide, support and assess their work, which will be completed between January in Year 12 and December in Year 13. The project is valued as half an A-level but is of A-level standard and will be graded A* - E for a successful project.

Whilst of educational value in itself, the undertaking of the project will give students a unique experience to refer to in job and university applications and to discuss at interview. Many universities are welcoming the development of the EPQ and are adjusting their entry requirements accordingly. The successful completion of the project will help universities and employers differentiate between equally strong applicants and give an advantage in the competition for university places and jobs.

The EPQ is a research project of 5000 words (a student can decide instead to produce an artefact, or organise an event if they wish and while this reduces the word count to a minimum of 1000 words it must also be accompanied by a process log.) Students must present the findings of their work to an audience of their peers. Therefore, the project is an opportunity to undertake a piece of extensive research, demonstrate written skills, planning and organisational skills, self-motivation and presentation skills.

Students will meet with their mentor in Year 12 to allow them time to consider and agree on a suitable topic and for the planning process to begin. The whole process is completed and submitted before any A-level examinations. Many students will choose to do most of the work after the PPEs at the end of Year 12 and will continue through the summer.

Presentations will take place following the completion of the work and results will be published alongside A-level results.

Last year, many students found their offer from university was altered in their favour if they had completed a relevant EPQ.

INDUSTRY AND COMMUNITY LINKS

INSIGHT INTO MANAGEMENT:

The Year 12 'Insight into Management' two-day conference takes place in the summer term. Our excellent team of managers from industry and commerce continue to give the students sound advice, guidance and support.

The Technology faculty has many industrial links in the area. Ford Motor Company Limited has sponsored the Engineering Education Scheme and the Design & Technology faculty works closely with the Anglia Polytechnic University in Chelmsford.

ST MARTIN'S DAY:

Our annual St Martin's Day takes place in November at Brentwood Cathedral, for Year 7 and Year 13 students (parents may attend). After the service, gifts are presented to local senior citizens by a small group of students.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Sixth Form Enrichment programme encourages and supports students in developing their whole school community contribution and personal development, but it is unlikely that a student will gain all their valuable experiences solely through activities completed in school.

Studying at Sixth Form level seeks to prepare young people for the transfer into Higher Education and employment by providing a framework within which they can explore personal interests and aspirations with regard to future career choices. Early in Year 12 an extensive Higher Education programme encourages students to research alternative choices and develop personal aims. Higher Education conferences and other activities, such as university taster courses, inform students and parents of the university application process and support students in successfully securing an appropriate Higher Education placement. Similar support is available for those intending to apply for an apprenticeship and the Sixth Form works closely with their careers advisor to assist students in identifying suitable career opportunities and in making successful applications.

There are many opportunities for students to become active members of both the school and the wider community either through direct involvement or by supporting sixth form activities to raise funds for charities such as LEPR, Macmillan and UNICEF. Many students give their time supporting the work of the Sixth Form, perhaps through the Student Voice, or assisting younger students by working with form and teaching groups or as student-mentors. In addition, the school is delighted to support student involvement in schemes such as the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme and World Challenge.

Our Pathways Day and Careers Fair Trip days give the students opportunities to consider which route they wish to take post sixth form, either employment, apprenticeship or university. They receive help with their CV and application writing, budgeting, hearing first hand experiences of university life and apprenticeship opportunities from ex-students.

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

Sixth Form students are expected to dress smartly, for example as if they were going to work in a formal office. They must adhere to the dress code and therefore are expected to dress appropriately for school and not casually. **This includes examination time.** *Students may be asked to go home and change if we feel their clothing is unsuitable regardless of distance or cost of transport.*

What should you wear:

Tailored trousers
Smart shoes/boots
A tie (males must wear a tie at all times)
Shirt with collar, tucked in and top button fastened
Smart jacket
V neck jumper/cardigan
Smart tops
Smart skirts of suitable length (stretchy skirts are only permitted if they are of suitable length)
Smart dresses of suitable length

What you are not permitted to wear:

Denim/leather/leather look
Jean-style trousers
Leggings
Shorts/Skorts
Trainers
Open-toed shoes
Doc Martin boots or similar
Hoodies
Round neck jumpers
Oversized/casual jumpers/knitwear
T-shirts or polo shirts, including those with a slogan
Hats/caps
Tops with very thin straps or that expose midriff
Extremes of hairstyle, hair colour, facial piercings or ear spacer

The final decision about whether a student's dress is suitable is decided by the sixth form team.

FACILITIES FOR HIRE

Sporting Facilities

- Netball courts
- Tennis courts
- Multi use sports area with AstroTurf
- Gymnasiums

Classrooms

- For small groups or clubs

Leisure/Social

- The South Hall can be hired for various events eg quiz nights

Additional activities at St Martin's School – External Groups

Various groups hire the facilities providing a variety of activities. Details of all the above can be found on the school's website www.st-martins.essex.sch.uk or by contacting:

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