



TONBRIDGE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL



Join us - and be part of something extraordinary

Sixth Form Entry 2026

World Class Results

Students consistently achieve the highest grades both nationally and internationally.

60-73% of all entries are at the equivalent to A* or A at A Level (Higher Level IB grades 7 and 6).

In 2025, 35% of students achieved the equivalent of 4 A* at A Level. 82% achieved results equivalent to 3 A* or above at A Level.

TGS was the highest ranked Kent state secondary school in the 2025 *Times Parent Power* which includes performance at GCSE and in the Sixth Form.

Springboard to success

Every year students leave us for top UK and international universities. This year 9% of our cohort headed to Oxford or Cambridge and 8% secured a place to study Medicine, Veterinary Medicine or Dentistry. 75% of the cohort are studying at a Russell Group university.

"Pupils are exceptionally well prepared for their next steps" Ofsted 2024

Study at depth, challenge yourself

Study the A Level subjects that interest you in an academically rigorous, enquiry-led way, inspired by our experienced, inspirational and supportive teaching team. Super curriculums are not an add on here, they are a structured part of your programme (and you will receive ongoing guidance to build the optimum programme), allowing you to build on your interests in a considered way, exploring them in detail and boosting your university application. All students take part in interdisciplinary projects providing the opportunity to explore varied perspectives to solve global problems.

Supercharge your future

Our weekly '21st Century Skills' sessions, taught by our specialist teaching team, offer regular sessions that will equip you with the skills and experience for success in the ever-changing world whether this be research skills, critical thinking, digital literacy or understanding the power of AI.



Research what matters to you; solve real-world problems

Every student learns how to undertake independent research in weekly guided sessions. Following this, you will have the opportunity to undertake independent research in the form of an Extended Project Qualification, if you so wish. Whether you are interested in researching the ethics of animal testing or the economic impact of AI, the historical significance of the fall of the Berlin Wall or the physics behind Space X's satellites, there is the opportunity to explore a subject or problem that intrigues you.

Learn how to learn

Learn how to learn and pave the way for success in your Sixth Form studies, in university and beyond. Whether that be reading academic texts critically, constructing and presenting bibliographies and references, planning and writing essays and reports, developing an academic writing style or preparing for exams in a structured and purposeful way, you will be supported and prepared. This is an ongoing programme, in line with our commitment to equipping you with the metacognitive skills required for lifelong learning.

Learning in the Sixth Form at TGS

At TGS, learning is an adventure shared by all. It's about curiosity, kindness, and respect. It's about discovering your potential and making a difference. Here, you'll find a community that believes in excellence and supports you every step of the way. Whether you have been with us since Year 7 or are joining us now, your Sixth Form experience will feel different—more adult, more independent, and the beginning of preparation for life beyond school.

A Shared Experience Driven by Curiosity and Discovery

Teaching and learning at Tonbridge Grammar School is a vibrant partnership between staff and students, built on mutual respect and a shared sense of purpose. Our approach is rooted in authentic engagement, collaborative enquiry, and purposeful feedback, creating a culture where curiosity thrives and discovery is celebrated.

Lessons Designed for Independence and Depth

In the Sixth Form, lessons are designed to help you think more deeply and independently. You'll explore topics in greater detail, ask bigger questions, and learn how to analyse and evaluate ideas—not just remember them.

You'll be encouraged to take ownership of your learning. That means:

- Planning your own revision
- Reading beyond the classroom
- Carrying out independent research

But you won't be doing it alone—teachers will guide you with open-ended tasks, discussions, and feedback that help you grow and develop as a learner.

Our Sixth Form teachers are experts at helping students succeed. They use strategies like:

- Thought-provoking questions
- Personalised feedback
- Stretch and challenge activities
- Opportunities for debate and inquiry

Relationships that Inspire

Strong, respectful relationships between staff and students are the foundation of success. Teachers know their students well and create a truly inclusive, safe, and supportive environment where ideas can be explored freely. Kindness and respect underpin every interaction, fostering confidence and resilience.

Expertise and Passion

Our teachers bring exceptional subject knowledge and a genuine love for their disciplines. Lessons are designed to spark curiosity and connect learning to real-world contexts. Whether debating global issues in our 21st Century Skills course or World Café, designing solutions in Design Technology, or tackling complex problems in Mathematics, students experience the excitement of learning alongside experts who care deeply about their progress.



Learning Together

Sixth Form at TGS is not about learning in isolation—it's about being in it together. Through collaborative enquiry, students work in teams to investigate big questions, share perspectives and develop critical thinking skills. Group projects, discussions, and research tasks encourage creativity and problem-solving, preparing students for life beyond school.

Feedback that Drives Growth

We see feedback as a conversation, not a one-way process. Purposeful feedback helps students understand not just what they've achieved but what comes next. Teachers provide time and space for reflection, enabling students to respond, adapt, and grow. This dynamic cycle of enquiry, action, and reflection builds independence and confidence.

A Culture of Curiosity and Discovery

Our classrooms are vibrant spaces where curiosity is encouraged, and mistakes are seen as opportunities for learning. Students are challenged to think critically, take risks, and explore ideas beyond the syllabus. From science experiments to creative writing, every subject offers moments of excitement and intellectual adventure.

Digital Technology



Since September 2024, Sixth Form students have been part of our Bring Your Own Device scheme, bringing a laptop or tablet to lessons. This reflects the World Economic Forum's view that future careers demand strong digital skills alongside creativity, resilience, and lifelong learning.

At TGS, technology complements traditional learning—students still use textbooks and write on paper—but it provides instant access to resources, enhances collaboration, and improves organisation. It helps develop independence, metacognitive skills, and the digital literacy needed for success at school, university, and beyond. Many subjects use digital textbooks and online resources for up-to-date, interactive learning. Students eligible for our Sixth Form Promise receive a free laptop, and bursary funding is available.