



TGS is one of Britain's **leading** grammar schools. We aim to **develop** well rounded and active **learners**. Our **academic** results consistently place TGS amongst the **top 50** state **schools** in the country.



Entry to the Sixth Form

TONBRIDGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



The motto 'Courage and Honour' continues to guide our values today, as it did when the school was founded over 110 years ago.

The atmosphere in the TGS Sixth Form is founded on mutual respect between students and staff. This leads to a climate of shared academic knowledge and goals supported by a friendly team spirit. From an induction that makes everyone feel part of the community long before their first day, to an alumni programme that fosters active and enduring relationships, our unique culture is singularly important in maintaining our success.

In an increasingly competitive world, we are keen that our students stand out. Whether applying to university or embarking on a career, it is important that our students have "the edge". We believe that the IB Diploma Programme is not only academically rigorous but also provides intellectual breadth, depth and higher level skills in thinking.

"What I see at Tonbridge is a commitment to world class academic standards with holistic enrichment so students can fulfil their true potential."

Adrian Kearney
Regional Director AEM, IBO

The IB Diploma is one of the most prestigious and highly regarded qualifications in the world. We have taught it here since 2005 and have a clear record of supporting students to success. Having become an entirely IB Sixth Form in 2012, we were awarded the accolade of 'IB School of the Year 2014', as well as State Secondary School of the Year, by The Sunday Times. We have a small number who attain full Diploma marks every year, making them amongst the best performing students worldwide.

IB Diploma Points Scores

45

Maximum

36

Tonbridge Grammar
School average

34

United Kingdom
average

30

Global average

24

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The location of the Sixth Form at the very centre of the School campus indicates its significance as a hub for purposeful learning. Both levels of the IBarn are flexible and provide large spaces for both independent and shared learning; there is also a Sixth Form café with a seating area for relaxation and socialising.

Our dedicated Sixth Form team tracks progress and leads support strategies when needed. Each student is assigned a Personal Tutor who they meet at regular intervals throughout the year to discuss academic progress as well as any pastoral concerns.

Students within the Sixth Form are actively encouraged to become fully involved in the life of the School. Elections for key leadership roles, including Head Students, take place every year.

There are a wide variety of community opportunities on offer including mentoring, sporting activities, MUNGA, the Motet Choir, and Young Enterprise, to name but a few.

We have a programme of visiting speakers for Sixth Form students as well as subject-led clinics that support and extend learning. Students also help with the running of clubs for the younger years and other extra-curricular activities.

IB Students are...

Source: HESA



More than twice as likely to enrol at one of the UK's top 20 universities



30% more likely to gain a first class honours degree



Nearly twice as likely to succeed in application to Medicine or Dentistry



Twice as likely to continue with further study after their first degree

The IB Diploma is much more than a qualification, it is widely recognised around the world as offering the skills and attributes needed for success at university and in the workplace. The continued study of a range of subjects, as well as specialism in three, puts IB students at a distinct advantage. This, with the emphasis on skills such as self-management, independent research and risk taking makes students well prepared for university.

"I found that the independent learning, which is embedded deep into the ethos of TGS, has prepared me incredibly well for life after school."

Amelia
TGS Alumna

Students are given extensive guidance and support for whatever pathway they may choose—university, gap year, apprenticeship or employment. Over 95 per cent of TGS students proceed to Higher Education with a significant majority taking up places at their first or second choice university. We have been particularly successful in recent years with applicants for Oxford, Cambridge and courses in Medicine, Veterinary Science and Dentistry.





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You are welcome to join us at our Open Evening for prospective Sixth Form students. Details can be found on our website www.tgs.kent.sch.uk/sixth-form-admissions where you will also find application information and details of other opportunities to visit us.

Contact the Admissions Office on: 01732 365125 x 222
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