

SIXTH FORM CASE STUDY

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Subjects studied:

A level Maths, A level Biology, Double Sport BTEC

Additional roles in Sixth Form:

Head boy
Science Leader



What does Coppice Sixth Form mean to you?

Coppice Sixth Form bridges the gap between GCSE's and going on to University, an apprenticeship or going into full time work. Initially, some find it difficult to adapt to a much more independent way of studying but with the support of the Sixth Form staff, tutors and subject teachers I along with everyone in the Sixth form quickly settled in and am now flourishing with a new independent way of learning. As well as becoming a more independent learner, students in the Sixth Form learn to meet deadlines, take notes efficiently; develop better research skills amongst many other skills to equip students for life similar to that of University, on an apprenticeship. Another benefit of the Sixth form is that students are treated more like young adults, giving students more independence as their education is totally in their hands; students complete the tasks on time and cooperate with staff with a mutual level of respect and support or risk falling behind in the course.

Give examples of how Coppice Sixth Form has helped you?

When I joined Sixth Form I suddenly realised that it is a big step up in the level of self-dependence the courses and staff expect from students. The Sixth Form has helped me to become a much more independent learner by giving me the core skills to work from and find my own way of studying.

The Sixth Form team has been a very useful source of support and help if students are finding a piece of work particularly difficult or just need a second pair of eyes to check that the work meets the criteria necessary.

Would you recommend Coppice Sixth Form to others? Why?

The Sixth Form at Coppice is beneficial in developing students who know their career path into being a well prepared individual for either University study or employment. For those who are unsure on what they want to do after Sixth Form the staff offer a wide range of opportunities and supported guidance to help students find their career aspiration. When I joined Sixth Form I thought I wanted to pursue a career in the medical profession, however during further research and careers advice I have found a career path that matches my personal goals. The Sixth Form was perfect for me as it offered all the courses I wanted to study and as an academic student I felt that it was the best option for me.

Future Career Aspirations

After Sixth Form and University I hope to have a career in the Science or Sport Science field as these are the areas that interest me the most. After Sixth Form I plan to study at university and get a part time job while studying. At the moment there are 2 routes I could take and I personally am more swayed towards the Science route as it can potentially make a difference to everyday life and change the way people view an ever-changing world.