

# 2021 Course Blocks and Entry Requirements

| Block A                                   | Block B                                 | Block C                                | Block D                                | Block E                                |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Art                                       | Biology                                 | Business Studies                       | Business<br>BTEC Extended Certificate* | Biology                                |
| Biology                                   | Business<br>BTEC Diploma**              | Business<br>BTEC Diploma**             | Chemistry                              | Chemistry                              |
| Chemistry                                 | Creative Media<br>BTEC Diploma**        | Computer Science                       | Creative Media<br>BTEC Diploma**       | Dance                                  |
| Engineering<br>BTEC Extended Certificate* | Design & Technology<br>(Product Design) | Core Maths                             | Drama                                  | English Literature                     |
| French                                    | English Language<br>& Literature        | Geography                              | Economics                              | Finance                                |
| Mathematics                               | Geography                               | Graphics<br>BTEC Diploma**             | Further Maths                          | Graphics<br>BTEC Diploma**             |
| Philosophy                                | History                                 | Health & Social Care<br>BTEC Diploma** | Physics                                | Health & Social Care<br>BTEC Diploma** |
| Politics                                  | Mathematics                             | Law                                    | Psychology                             | History                                |
| Sociology                                 | Mathematics<br>(Further Maths students) | Mathematics                            | Sociology                              | Mathematics                            |
| Sport<br>BTEC Diploma**                   | Sociology                               | Music                                  | Spanish                                | Physics                                |
|   | Sport<br>BTEC Diploma**                 | Photography                            |  | Psychology                             |
|   |   | Physics                                |  | Sport BTEC<br>Extended Diploma***      |
|   |   | Psychology                             |  |  |
|   |   | Textiles                               |  |  |

**Level 3 Courses** - You are advised to look at our admissions policy on our website before selecting your subject choices.

In line with the majority of Post-16 providers, courses will only run if there is sufficient demand. In this eventuality we would notify you and discuss alternative options. Information on course content can be found at [www.kimberleycollege.co.uk/courses](http://www.kimberleycollege.co.uk/courses)

\*Equivalent to 1 subject | \*\*Equivalent to 2 subjects | \*\*\*Potential extended route for some students, equivalent to 3 subjects

**If you wish to follow a BTEC Diploma (indicated with \*\*) you must choose the subject in both blocks. If following a BTEC Extended Diploma (indicated with \*\*\*) you must choose the subject in all 3 blocks.**

## Level 3 Pathways and Entry Requirements

We offer 4 pathways. These are based upon your performance at GCSE.

**Pathway 1:** 3 A Levels of which 2 at least are facilitating\* subjects

1. Minimum Grade 6 in both GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics
2. Minimum average GCSE point score of at least 6.0 across six GCSE subjects
3. Meet the specific subject entry requirements of your chosen A Level courses

**Pathway 2:** 3 A Levels

1. Minimum Grade 5 in both GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics
2. Minimum average GCSE point score of at least 5.5 across six GCSE subjects
3. Meet the specific subject entry requirements of your chosen A Level courses

**Pathway 3:** A mixed programme of up to 3 A Levels and BTEC subjects

1. Minimum average GCSE grades of 4.5 across GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics
2. Minimum average GCSE grade of at least 5.0 across six GCSE subjects
3. Meet the specific subject entry requirements of your chosen A Level courses

**Pathway 4:** BTEC subjects only

1. Minimum average GCSE grades of 4.0 across GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics
2. Minimum average GCSE/GCSE equivalent grade of at least 4.0 across six subjects [including a minimum of 3 GCSE subjects]
3. Meet the specific subject entry requirements of your chosen BTEC courses

Our admissions policy can be found at [www.kimberleycollege.co.uk/application-process](http://www.kimberleycollege.co.uk/application-process)

\*Facilitating subjects are: Mathematics and Further Mathematics, English Literature, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Geography, History, Languages (Classical and Modern)

| A-Level Subject                    | Subject Specific | Essential Criteria    |            |  | Desirable Criteria  | Length of |        |
|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------|--|---|-----------|--------|
|                                    |                  | GCSE English Language | GCSE Maths | Other  |   | 1 Year    | 2 Year |
| Art                                | 5                | 4                     |            | 5 in Art GCSE or Merit in Level 2 qualification.   | Portfolio of work   |           | ✓      |
| Biology                            | 5                | 5                     | 5          | 5 in Combined Science <b>or</b> 5 in separate science ( <b>Biology</b> ) or Distinction in Level 2 Science. These must be in higher papers.          | 6 in Mathematics  |           | ✓      |
| Business (A Level)                 | 5                | 5                     | 6          | 5 in Business GCSE or 5 related subject. 6 in Maths (5 will be accepted but Core Maths must also be studied)   | No coursework, written exams only                                   |           | ✓      |
| Business (BTEC)                    | 4                | 4                     | 4          | 4 in Business GCSE or 4 in a related subject or Merit in Level 2 related qualification.  | Suitable for progression from Level 2 qualification                 |           | ✓      |
| Chemistry                          | 5                | 5                     | 5          | 5 in combined science <b>or</b> 5 in separate science ( <b>Chemistry</b> ) or Distinction in Level 2 Science. These must be in higher papers.        | 6 in Mathematics  |           | ✓      |
| Computer Science                   | 5                | 4                     | 5          | 5 in Computer Science or Distinction in a Level 2 IT based subject.  | 6 in Mathematics  |           | ✓      |
| Core Maths                         |                  | 5                     | 5          | Will support students who study 2 from Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Economics, Geography and Psychology but not A Level Maths.                       | 6 in Mathematics  |           | ✓      |
| Creative Media (BTEC)              |                  | 5                     | 5          | 5 in Media related subject.  | Must be competent in use of technology.                             |           | ✓      |
| Dance                              | 4                | 4                     |            | 4 in Dance or related performing arts subject.   | Active participation both in and outside school in performing arts. |           | ✓      |
| Design Technology (Product Design) | 5                | 5                     | 5          | 5 in Design Technology related subject.  |   |           | ✓      |
| Drama                              | 4                | 5                     |            | 4 in Drama or related performing arts subject.   | Active participation both in and outside school in performing arts. |           | ✓      |
| Economics                          |                  | 5                     | 6          | 5 in Business or Distinction in Level 2 qualification if studied.  | Interest in contemporary Economic issues.                           |           | ✓      |
| Engineering (BTEC)                 | Distinction or 5 | 5                     | 5          | 5 in Technology and Design subject or Distinction in a Level 2 qualification - assessment in this course will include Level 3 Mathematics component. | 6 in Mathematics  |           | ✓      |
| English Literature                 | 5                | 5                     |            | 5 in English Language and English Literature.  | Enjoys reading  |           | ✓      |
| English Literature & Language      | 5                | 5                     |            | 5 in English Language or English Literature.   | Enjoys reading  |           | ✓      |
| Extended Project                   | 6 English        | 6                     | 5          | Delivery of this subject commences during the summer term of Year 12 and will conclude in Year 13. You do not need to apply for this now.            | Must be a committed and self motivated learner                      | ✓         |        |
| Finance                            |                  | 4                     | 4          | 4 in English Language and 4 in Mathematics. Can only be studied with Business A level or Business BTEC.  | Offered as a two year course  |           | ✓      |
| Food Science & Nutrition           | 5                | 5                     | 5          | 5 in Food Science & Nutrition Level 2 or related subject.  |   |           | ✓      |
| French                             | 5                | 5                     |            | 5 in French - this must have been studied at GCSE.   |   |           | ✓      |
| Further Maths                      | 7                | 4                     | 7          | 7 in Mathematics - students must also study A Level Mathematics.   |   |           | ✓      |

| A-Level Subject             | Subject Specific | Essential Criteria |            |  | Desirable Criteria  | Length of study |        |
|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|--|---|-----------------|--------|
|                             |                  | GCSE English       | GCSE Maths | Other  |   | 1 Year          | 2 Year |
| Geography                   | 4                | 5                  | 5          | 4 in Geography GCSE or related humanities subject.   | 5 in Geography  |                 | ✓      |
| Graphics (BTEC)             | 4 or Merit       | 4                  | 4          | 4 in GCSE Graphics or a related design course or a Merit in a Level 2 related qualification.   | Portfolio of work needed  |                 | ✓      |
| Health & Social Care        | 4 or Merit       | 4                  | 4          | 4 in combined Science or Merit in Level 2 related qualification.   |   |                 | ✓      |
| History                     | 4                | 5                  |            | 4 in History GCSE or related humanities subject.   | 5 in History  |                 | ✓      |
| Law                         | 4                | 5                  |            | 4 in a GCSE Humanities subject.  | Interest in current affairs                                       |                 | ✓      |
| Mathematics                 | 6                | 4                  | 6          | 6 in Mathematics.  | Interview and entry exam  |                 | ✓      |
| Music                       | 4                | 4                  | 4          | 4 in Music   | The ability to play at least two musical instruments to a grade 5 |                 | ✓      |
| Performing Arts             | 4                | 4                  | 4          | 4 in Performing Arts related subject.  |   |                 | ✓      |
| Philosophy                  | 5                | 5                  | 5          | 5 in a GCSE Humanities subject.  |   |                 | ✓      |
| Photography                 | 4                | 4                  | 4          | 4 in Art or Merit in a related Level 2 qualification   | Portfolio of work needed  |                 | ✓      |
| Physics                     | 5                | 5                  | 5          | 5 in Combined Science <b>or</b> 5 in separate science ( <b>Physics</b> ) <b>or</b> Distinction in Level 2 Science. These must be in higher papers. | 6 in Mathematics  |                 | ✓      |
| Politics                    | 4                | 5                  |            | 4 in a Humanities subject (preferable History or Religious Studies).   | Interest in contemporary political issues                         |                 | ✓      |
| Psychology                  | 5                | 5                  | 5          | 5 in Science.  |   |                 | ✓      |
| Rugby Development Programme |                  |                    |            | A keen and active participant in rugby. This does not lead to an additional qualification.   |   |                 | ✓      |
| Sociology                   | 4                | 5                  | 5          | 4 in a GCSE humanities subject.  | 5 in Sociology  |                 | ✓      |
| Spanish                     | 5                | 5                  |            | 5 in Spanish - this must have been studied at GCSE.  |   |                 | ü      |
| Sport (BTEC)                | 4                | 5                  | 5          | 4 in Science or Merit in Level 2 qualification or equivalent.  | Active participation in organised sports teams<br>5 in GCSE PE    |                 | ✓      |
| Textiles                    | 5                | 5                  | 5          | 5 in design or art related subject.  | Portfolio of work   |                 | ✓      |

### **Additional Guidance**

~ Should a student wish to take a subject but has not met the specific entry criteria, they will need to submit a special consideration form to the Kimberley leadership team after the collection of their examination results in the summer.

~ If you do not have a grade 4 in English Language and/or mathematics you must resit these qualifications with us. This will form part of your curriculum.




# Dates for Your Diary

Deadline for applications  
Interviews Week 1 for applicants  
Interviews Week 2 for applicants  
Deadline for conditional offers being posted to applicants  
Deadline for acceptance or rejection of conditional offers  
Induction Evening for students and parents/carers  
Induction Day  
GCSE results day and enrolment day

Monday 30th November  
Monday 23rd November  
Monday 7th December  
Monday 18th January  
Monday 1st February  
Thursday 1st July  
Monday 5th July  
Friday 27th August

These dates are important to secure your place, however, we do consider late applications up to and including results day.

## Key Staff

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|  | <b>Mr Detheridge</b><br><i>Principal</i> |  | <b>Dr MacKay</b><br><i>Assistant Principal</i> |  | <b>Mrs Lowe</b><br><i>Admissions</i> |
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|  | <b>Mrs Genders</b><br><i>Pastoral Leader</i> |  | <b>Mrs Stewart</b><br><i>UCAS and Higher Education Co-ordinator</i> |  | <b>Mrs Ciampa</b><br><i>BTEC Centre Nominee</i> |  | <b>Mrs Ashby</b><br><i>Head of Careers</i> |
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