



RANGE SIXTH FORM

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RANGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Students and Parents/Carers,

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Welcome to the next, very exciting stage in your educational journey! I would like you to consider very carefully the next two years of your life as it will go by very quickly. I'm quite sure that all of the adults reading this will agree with me! I know your education has been somewhat disrupted over recent years but, I am hopeful that your Sixth Form education will mark a new start, a fresh beginning for all of you.

Most of you will know Range very well and will be aware of the excellent standards its students achieve. Many of you will have contributed to the school's successes over the last five years and will have decided that Range is the first and best choice for further study.

Range offers students the chance to excel through its educational programme, pastoral support and enrichment opportunities. Students routinely achieve 100% 'A' Level and BTEC pass rate and this year once again saw record results with almost 80% of our cohort going on to their first choice destinations. In 2022 (the last year of published A-Level comparative data), Range was the top non-independent school in Sefton when considering the overall quality of grades achieved by students. Further details are available on the DFE performance table website.

The sixth form offer includes not only traditional 'A' Level qualifications but also an increasing variety of vocational qualifications. To guarantee you an automatic place on each pathway, subjects operate a minimum grade requirement which we will be happy to discuss with you.

Range offers opportunities for you to develop as a young person, both in school and in the community. There are many reasons why we feel that Range should be your choice. Some of those reasons are outlined below:

- high academic and vocational standards including provision for students with additional needs;
- access to dedicated facilities in our purpose built Sixth Form Centre;
- personal and individual attention and assistance regarding choice of courses, progress throughout and progression onto employment and further and higher education;
- outstanding pastoral care;
- group sizes which allow for flexible teaching and learning;
- a varied enrichment programme;
- a dedicated team of specialist teachers and support staff who will have your very best interests at the very centre of what they do.

Extensive information about pathways and courses, and our application form can be found in our online prospectus on our website at www.range.sefton.sch.uk as well as in this pack for you and your parents.

We take pride in the success of our students and hope that you will become part of that success at this fantastic sixth form. Good luck in making the very best decisions about your future, we look forward to supporting you in this journey. If you have any particular questions, do ask your teachers or get in touch with the Sixth Form Team.

Yours sincerely,

Mr McGarry
Headteacher

WELCOME TO RANGE SIXTH FORM 2023

Range Sixth Form offers opportunity and possibility to its current and prospective students, through a varied curriculum at level 3, including 'A' level, Cambridge Technical (new to Sept 2022) and BTEC courses, as well as an array of extra-curricular and enrichment activities.

We know our students well and pride ourselves on our ability to treat each one as an individual. If you choose Range Sixth Form, we will work with you to enable you to develop your academic potential, as well as your extra-curricular interests.

Range Sixth Form has a track record of academic success, offering a diverse approach to teaching and learning, provided by specialist staff. As a student in the Sixth Form, we will help you to develop independent study skills beyond the classroom to support your learning.


You will be taught in small classes averaging about 15 students. We will support you with specialised Oxbridge preparation and provide extensive assistance with university, apprenticeship and employment applications. Range offers students the chance to excel through its educational programme, pastoral support and enrichment opportunities. Students routinely achieve 100% 'A' level and BTEC pass rate. In 2019 Range was the top non-independent school in Sefton when considering the overall quality of grades achieved by students. Further details are available on the DFE performance table website. In 2023 students progressed onto a range of degree courses including: Mathematics, Sport and Exercise Psychology, Paramedic Science, Primary Education, Photography, Medicine, Business Accounting with Finance, Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management, Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, History, Occupational Therapy, Law, Civil Engineering, Geography, Fine Art and Pharmacy. They also secured apprenticeships and employment including with the Royal Navy and North-west Electricity.

Range Sixth Form has a history of outstanding, personalised and pastoral support. If you join our Sixth Form community, we will ensure that you have access to tutorials, study support sessions and are treated as individual learners. We will provide an enrichment programme including: Extended Project, Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme up to Gold Award, sporting fixtures, work experience, as well as subject based trips, visits and conferences.

We are proud of our students past and present. It is a privilege to experience on a daily basis their successes, achievements and contributions to the wider community. If you choose to join us, you do so at an exciting time, as we have enhanced our curriculum as well as our facilities. We look forward to welcoming you into our Sixth Form and to supporting you to achieve your ambitions as well as the future, you deserve.



RANGE SIXTH FORM PATHWAYS

The school offers two pathways to provide students with the maximum opportunity for success. Applications should be made via the Range High School website www.range.sefton.sch.uk (sixth form\apply now) via  our online application system

Pathway 1 (A Level Courses)

Art	Further Mathematics	Physics
Biology	Geography	Politics *NEW*
Business Studies	History	Product Design
Chemistry	Mathematics	Psychology
Computer Science	Media Studies	Spanish
Economics	Photography	Theatre Studies
English Literature	Physical Education	

Automatic consideration for **Pathway 1** will be given to students who achieve a minimum of **5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language and Maths**, and who meet the individual subject requirements. Students who do not meet the above requirements will be considered on an individual basis.

The vast majority of students will choose 3 courses for A Level study. Many will also study for an extended project qualification (EPQ). Where students want to study 4 A levels, this will be discussed on an individual basis.

Pathway 2 (Vocationally related courses)

A number of vocational courses are available. The BTEC National Diploma is a two-year course, equivalent to **two** A levels and the BTEC Extended Certificate/Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate is equivalent to **one** A level. The vocational level three qualifications such as these allow students the opportunity to study in a different way to A level. They are accepted as entrance to many university courses.

2 A level equivalent

BTEC Business Studies National Diploma

1 A level equivalent

BTEC Business Studies Extended Certificate

BTEC Digital Content Production Extended Certificate

BTEC Health and Social Care Extended Certificate

BTEC Music Production Performance Extended Certificate OR BTEC Digital Music Production Extended Certificate (*Only one of the music courses will run*)

Cambridge Technical Sport & Physical Activity Extended Certificate

Applied Diploma in Criminology

Automatic consideration for **Pathway 2** will be given to students who have a minimum of **5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language**. However, students who do not meet the above requirements will be considered on an individual basis.

Pathway 3 (A levels and Vocational Courses)

Some students will want to study a combination of A level courses and vocational courses. This is possible and will be discussed on an individual basis

Please note that classes will only run if there is a viable group size.



RANGE SIXTH FORM - MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS 2023

For Pathway 1 - A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language and Maths plus the following requirements for each subject

For Pathway 2 - A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language

Please note: All subjects require satisfactory academic and attitudinal references

SUBJECT	ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS	OTHER REQUIREMENTS
A Level Art Craft & Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Art Craft and design 	Please note that due to the practical nature of Art, students will be considered on an individual basis where they can evidence high achievement at a practical level, this will be via portfolio.
A Level Biology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Biology or Grade 6 in GCSE Combined Science With Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths 	Success in A level Biology also requires determination and commitment to complete all of the set work and ask for support.
BTEC Level 3 Business National Diploma and Extended Certificate	A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language	Students who do not meet the minimum requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
A Level Business Studies	<p>Route 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Business Studies Grade 6 in either GCSE English Language or Mathematics with Grade 5 in the other subject <p>OR</p> <p>Route 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE English Language Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics <p>where Business Studies has not been studied at GCSE.</p>	Students with Mathematics and English grades slightly below the requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
A Level Chemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry or Grade 6 in GCSE Combined Science With Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths 	Success in A level Chemistry also requires determination and commitment to complete all of the set work and ask for support.
A Level Computer Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 or above in GCSE Computer Science With Grade 5 or above in GCSE Maths 	Ability to show resilience.

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Applied Diploma Level 3 Criminology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 in GCSE English 	Students who do not meet the minimum requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
BTEC Level 3 Digital Content Production Extended Certificate	A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language	Students who do not meet the minimum requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
A Level Drama and Theatre Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 in GCSE Drama and Grade 5 in GCSE English Language 	Please note that due to the practical nature of Drama, students will be considered on an individual basis where they have the required grade in English Language along with a high level of achievement, which can be evidenced at a practical level, even if they have not taken the subject at GCSE.
A Level Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum of Grade 6 in GCSE English Language and Mathematics 	Students with grades slightly below the academic requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
A Level English Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Literature 	
A Level Further Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 or above in GCSE Mathematics 	A Love of the subject. An ability to work at a fast pace. Competence and confidence in using algebra; this is essential. Further Maths can only be taken alongside Maths A Level.
A Level Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Geography With Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language 	
BTEC Level 3 Health & Social Care National Extended Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language 	Students who do not meet the minimum requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
A Level History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 at GCSE History Grade 5 in GCSE English Language 	A desire to find out about the past and an enthusiasm for communicating ideas. A knowledge and passion for understanding.
A Level Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7 or above in GCSE Maths. Students who achieve a high Grade 6 may be considered on an individual basis in extenuating circumstances. 	Success in Maths also requires determination and commitment to complete all of the set work and ask for support. Competence and confidence in using algebra are essential.
A Level Media Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Media Studies Grade 5 in GCSE English Literature 	Students do not need GCSE Media Studies to study 'A' Level Media Studies. We will look at your attainment in other subjects, which require good analytical and communication skills, principally English. Students will be considered on an individual basis.

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BTEC Level 3 Digital Music Production Extended Certificate ONLY 1 MUSIC COURSE WILL RUN DEPENDENT ON NUMBERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language. 	The general understanding of music theory. Good computer skills and experience of using DAW and other music software. Students who do not meet the minimum requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
BTEC Level 3 Music Performance Extended Certificate ONLY 1 MUSIC COURSE WILL RUN DEPENDENT ON NUMBERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language. 	The general understanding of music theory. The ability to play at least one instrument (including singing) to a satisfactory level.
A Level Photography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Photography 	Please note that due to the practical nature of Photography, students will be considered on an individual basis where they can evidence high achievement at a practical level even if they have not taken the subject at GCSE. This should be evidenced via portfolio.
A Level Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE P.E. Grade 5 in GCSE Biology or GCSE Combined Science 	Please note that due to the practical nature of this subject, students will be considered on an individual basis, even if they have not taken the subject at GCSE.
A Level Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Physics or Grade 6 in Combined Science GCSE With Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths 	It is recommended that students also study 'A' Level Maths. Success in A Level Physics also requires determination and commitment to complete all of the set work and ask for support.
A Level Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE English 	A desire to challenge your own thinking. A willingness to broaden your horizons. Also, knowledge and passion for understanding.
A Level Product Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Design & Technology OR Grade 6 in GCSE Art or Photography 	Please note that due to the practical nature of Product Design, students will be considered on an individual basis where they can evidence high achievement at a practical level, even if they do not meet the academic requirements. It is worth discussing alternative entry options with a member of the Design and Technology Faculty.
A Level Psychology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths and English Language Where Grade 6 is not achieved in GCSE maths a student's Science grades will be considered as well. 	Students who achieve below the academic requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
A Level Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish Grade 5 in GCSE English Language 	A love of the subject and an interest in the Hispanic-speaking world. Students who achieve below the academic requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
Cambridge Technical Level 3 Sport and Physical Activity Extended Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum of 5 GCSEs 9-4 including Grade 4 in English Language. 	Students who do not meet the minimum requirements will be considered on an individual basis.

RANGE SIXTH FORM – WELL-BEING PRACTITIONER

Lynn is our Sixth Form Wellbeing Practitioner, and she has worked at Range High School since 2002. Lynn now works exclusively with our Sixth Form students throughout years 12 and 13.

Lynn has a degree in children and young people's Learning, Support, and Development, and is a qualified Learning Mentor. Lynn is also a fully qualified Clinical Solution Focused Hypnotherapist and Psychotherapist. She has a Diploma in Solution Focused Hypnotherapy (DSFH), a Hypnotherapy in Practice Diploma (HPD), and a Diploma in Medical Hypnotherapy.

Lynn is passionate about providing our students with a holistic approach to their physical and mental well-being. Lynn is a member of the National Board for Modern Psychotherapy (NBMP), the Association for Solution Focused Hypnotherapy (AfsFH), the Complementary and Natural Health Care Council (CNCH), and the National Council for Hypnotherapy (NCH). This means that Lynn adheres to regularly updating her skills and knowledge and is committed to working to the highest standards. Lynn prides herself on continuing to develop her knowledge and skills to enhance the support that she is able to offer. She is currently undertaking a 4-year course in Advanced Hypnotherapy as well as training to become a Reiki Master.

Lynn can work positively with students without the need to relive the past or focus on the problem. Solution Focused Hypnotherapy is a brain-based approach to therapy. This combines the most relevant and up-to-date research in neuroscience and utilises a solution-focused approach to solving current problems. Hypnotherapy is a safe and effective way of harnessing our brain's natural power to achieve change and find the 'best version of you' that there is. It is an evidence-based practice, and Lynn has many years of evidence to highlight the benefits of working with her. Of course, if hypnotherapy isn't your thing, Lynn can still work successfully with you in a solution-focused way to help you achieve your goals.

Lynn currently offers all of our students a daily 'drop-in' service for advice or guidance, as well as a programme of one-on-one sessions for those who wish to work on becoming a better version of themselves. Sixth Form students can refer themselves by emailing Lynn to arrange an appointment.

Lynn can also offer group workshops, such as 'getting a better night's sleep', 'finding the best version of you', and 'dealing with exam stress'. These hypnotherapy sessions will aim to equip students with the knowledge and skills to be calm, confident, and in control. Lynn can also facilitate breathing and meditation/mindfulness classes for interested students.

Lynn welcomes any ideas for future support that she could offer, which will enhance how we support our Sixth Form students. She believes passionately about what she does and is always happy to listen or to share her passion and knowledge. If you are a year 11 student or a parent or carer of a student in year 11 and would like to know more or make any suggestions, you can reach Lynn via email at lg@range.sefton.sch.uk or by phone at 01704 879315 extension number 260.



RANGE SIXTH FORM - EXTRA CURRICULAR AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

MATHS & FURTHER MATHS

- Number Buddies Scheme
- UKMT Senior Maths Challenge
- University of Southampton Cipher Challenge
- Ritangle Competition
- STEP Courses promoted



MEDIA STUDIES

- I, Daniel Blake theatre visit
- Disneyland Paris trip
- Liverpool John Moores visit
- Edge Hill University Trip



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- LJMU Sports Science visit
- Netball and Football Fixtures
- Chester University workshop



GEOGRAPHY

- Iceland Trip
- Edge Hill visit
- Environmental group



PSYCHOLOGY

- New York Trip
- Brain Day
- Charity group
- Key Speakers



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

- 3d Printing day at Manchester Metropolitan University



BUSINESS STUDIES

- New York Trip,
- Alton Towers Trip
- Bank of England talk
- Trading Day



HISTORY

- Lessons from Auschwitz programme
- Trip to Poland
- Berlin trip



COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Alton Towers trip
- Programming Skills support



ART & PHOTOGRAPHY

- London at Christmas
- Barcelona Trip
- Liverpool Galleries



SPANISH

- Work experience trip to Valencia
- A Level study day at HOME, Manchester
- Performance/screening of La Casa de Bernarda Alba



HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

- Optional care home placement
- Revision Conference



SCIENCE

- Spectroscopy Lab Day at Liverpool University,
- Chemistry Olympiad
- Science-related work experience opportunities
- Science Buddy Scheme (6th form students supporting lower school pupils in Science lessons)
- Trip to CERN / Geneva



CRIMINOLOGY

- Lancaster Prison Trip
- Key Speakers



THEATRE STUDIES

- Woman in Black theatre visit
- Backstage tour to London



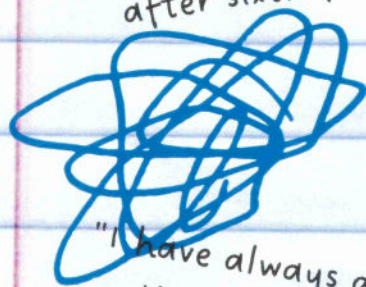


Student Voice

"I would say Lynn is a unique and invaluable asset to Range. Even if you don't feel you need her, having someone there for support just in case is a real comfort and advantage!"



"My favourite thing about Range is the vast support network on offer, both inside the classroom and for anything super-curricular with progression after sixth form."

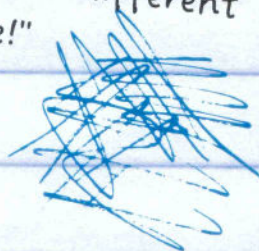


"I have always appreciated the range of support available here at 6th Form, for both subjects and mental health. It is encouraging to be in an environment where you are able to not only ask for help, but receive it too"



"My favourite part about sixth form is the snack shack because of all the different drinks available!"

"I really like the amount of support offered at Range within subjects and outside of subjects, there is always someone there to help with any problem you may have!"



"My favourite aspect of sixth form is the flexible studying environment. We have a multitude of study spaces including an area for quiet study as well as an area we can socialise"



"My favourite thing about Range is all of the academic support and how rewarding my subjects are."

