

# Message from the Principal, Ms S Jacob

Welcome to Skinners' Academy Sixth Form. We are an inclusive community providing a positive, rich and stimulating learning environment for all of its students.

We are a high-achieving academic Sixth Form. We provide our Sixth Form students with an outstanding academic experience that will prepare them exceptionally well for higher education, highly regarding apprenticeships and the career path of their choosing. We welcome applicants from our current students and from external candidates. We offer a friendly and supportive learning environment, with a strong focus on academic rigour, self-discipline and the highest educational aspirations. We support our students to achieve their very best by providing individualised and tailored academic and pastoral support and smaller class sizes which enables our students to make outstanding progress.

Our primary focus is on providing a highly academic curriculum, with the majority of courses on offer being A Levels. We also have a vocational pathway for students who would benefit from this style of learning and assessment.

Alongside the academic experience on offer in the Sixth Form, we also provide a wealth of leadership and enrichment opportunities and a comprehensive programme of support for university or apprenticeship applications to ensure that students graduate with the qualifications and personal attributes to be successful in their future.

Thank you for your interest and we welcome your application.



# Message from the Assistant Principal for Sixth Form, Ms C Pasterkamp

At Skinners' Academy Sixth Form we aim to provide a positive and inspiring environment in which you will be able to thrive.

Our Sixth Form is a thriving community of young adults who are all working hard to achieve their goals, whether in academic success, their post-18 aspirations or in our wide range of enrichment activities.

The Sixth Form is very much at the heart of Skinners' Academy, and we share a common ethos and approach. We are an inclusive school and as such offer a broad curriculum and wide range of subjects for study at A level and BTEC. We will help you balance your desire to be an independent learner with structured support and guidance from experienced subject teachers and a dedicated pastoral team. The supportive but disciplined environment will enable you to focus on what is most important – high academic achievement and embracing fantastic curricular opportunities.

I feel extremely proud to be part of the Skinners' Academy Sixth Form community, no more so than when students and visitors comment on the happy and stimulating atmosphere they find here; this comes from the warm relationships which exist between staff and students, creating a space in which each person is valued, can flourish, and achieve their full potential.

Although Sixth Form is a short journey, it is an incredibly important one. When you leave us at the end of Year 13 you will be equipped with the qualifications, skills and characteristics needed to excel in university or on a apprenticeship programme. I look forward to working with you throughout this journey.







#### **Our Vision**

Students at Skinners' Academy Sixth Form are unapologetically aspirational. They own their goals and do what it takes to achieve excellence.

The Principal and Governors at Skinners' Academy believe that all young people will be the best they can by working in active partnership with the Academy to achieve excellence for themselves and the wider community. The Academy will provide the necessary prerequisite skills, knowledge and experiences for young people to ensure they have the opportunities to succeed. Not only will our young people be successful and productive citizens but, they will be a source of influence in the society that they live in, ensuring that they make sustainable and authentic contributions for future generations.

#### **Curriculum Offer**

#### Advanced Level & BTEC Qualifications (Level 3)

All students applying to Skinners' Academy Sixth Form will be coursed on highly regarded and nationally recognised qualifications. All qualifications are level 3, meaning they are either A Level or A Level equivalent vocational courses known as applied general courses. Both A Levels and applied general courses enable students to go on to study at university, or to apply for highly regarded training course such as a degree level apprenticeship.

Students who wish to study our level 3 vocational courses will need to have achieved at least five grade 4s or level 2 passes in their GCSE or level 2 vocational courses. Students who have not achieved a grade 4 or above in either English Language or Literature will be required to resit English Language GCSE. Students who have not achieved a grade 4 or above will need to resit their Maths GCSE. A GCSE resit in English or Maths is only possible alongside an applied general qualification.

### Our A Level Qualifications include:

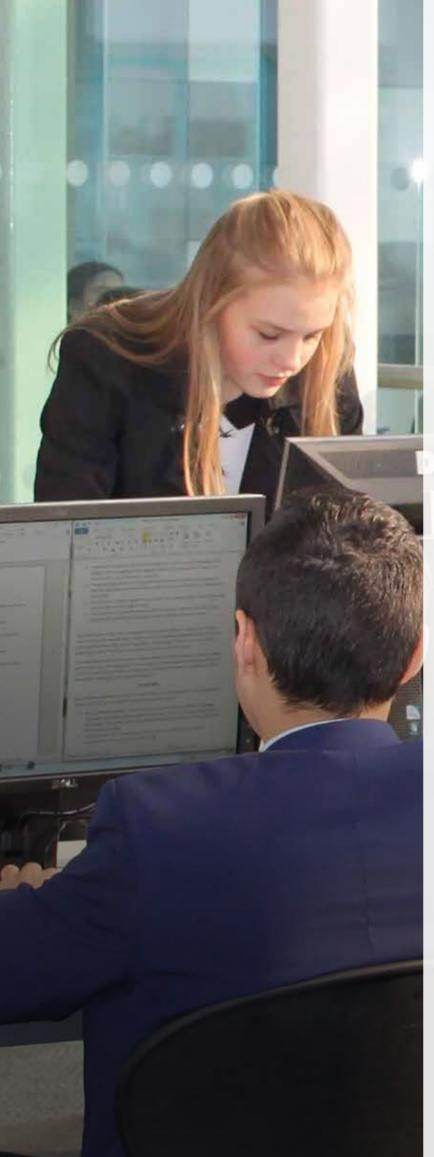
- Art and Design
- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Economics
- English Language
- English Literature
- Government and Politics
- History
- Maths & Further Maths
- Media Studies
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish

#### Our Applied General Level 3 Qualifications (Vocational) include:

- Business
- Digital Media
- Health & Social Care
- Sport

We offer some additional qualifications to students to further enrich your learning. These include:

- Home language A Levels
- Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award



# **Pastoral Care/Wellbeing**

Our aim is to ensure Sixth Form students are well prepared for life after Year 13

Students will participate in a daily structured personal development programme which helps students gain independent learning and critical thinking skills. Sixth Form Personal Development Teachers see their group through the duration of their time in the Sixth Form and really get to know their advisees well.

Our bespoke weekly Future
Pathways programme helps our
students to access relevant PSHE
topics along with preparations
for attending university open day
visits. Our employability and work
experience programme are also
undertaken by all Year 12 students to
help them prepare for professional
careers.

We believe every student who attends the Sixth Form should apply for university, even if they later decide to take up an employment or apprenticeship opportunity. You will benefit from 1:1 appointments with our experienced Sixth Form team to guide you through your application. Our high expectations and attention to the application process and established links with Russell Group universities have seen our alumni attend many prestigious institutions.



# Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)

All students will take part in careers, education, information advice and guidance (CEIAG) initiatives, designed to increase their confidence about steps beyond Skinners' Academy and ensure they are the best they can be when it comes to applying for future opportunities.

# Student Leadership

Student Leadership is taken seriously at Skinners' Academy. Our Head Students and Senior Prefects work together to form the Sixth Form Forum – a council which aims to represent Sixth Form students.

Students can demonstrate their leadership skills through a wide range of activities throughout the academic year e.g. organising charity events, joining or even running clubs and societies, becoming reading mentors and more. This allows students to get involved in the wider life of the academy.

#### **OXBRIDGE & Medicine**

The Sixth Form has a dedicated OXBRIDGE, Medicine and Super-Curricular Activities Coordinator who encourages all learners to get involved in enrichment and super-curricular activities which furthers their learning.

All students who aspire to attend Oxford or Cambridge will be supported throughout their application and will receive 1:1 mentoring to ensure they are prepared for the rigorous interview and application process.

The Medics Club aims to support students who wish to study Medicine, Veterinary Sciences or Dentistry with seeking relevant work experience. Members will also attend relevant lectures and seminars and be encouraged to join university access medicine courses.

### **Coaching Programmes**

A Professional Coaching Programme is available to Year 12 students. Students who participate will be allocated a professional coach and will create a personalised development plan, mapping out the steps needed to achieve their long-term goals.

# Duke of Edinburgh - Gold

Students can boost their future prospects by completing the well established & respected Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award.

# **Discretionary Bursary**

All students are invited to apply for financial support through the discretionary bursary scheme.

If your family has an income under £30,000 we can offer you financial assistance to support you in accessing what you need to study your A Level and BTEc Qualifications.



#### **Results & Destinations**

The class of 2024 progressed on to a range of universities after their time at Skinners' Academy. Some of their destinations are listed below.

- Kings College London
- Queen Mary University of London
- City, University of London
- University College London
- Middlesex University
- Goldsmiths, University of London
- University of Greenwich
- University of Manchester
- Nottingham Trent University
- University of Westminster

### **Application Procedure**

Apply online via www. skinnersacademy.org.uk/sixth-form-apply-now, here is where you will find our Application Deadline and detailed course information.

All applicants will attend a meeting to discuss options and courses. Early applications are encouraged.



#### Principal: Ms S Jacob

**Specialism:** Enterprise **Age:** 11-19 (mixed gender)

#### **Skinners' Academy**

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#### **Transport**

**Bus Routes**Woodberry Grove: 253 / 254 / 259 / 279
Nearby: 29 / 141 / 341

Nearest Stations
Finsbury Park then bus 253 / 254 / 259 / 279
Harringay Green Lanes then bus 29 / 141 / 341
Manor House then 5 minutes walk
Stamford Hill then bus 253 / 254
Seven Sisters then bus 259 / 279

