



# **Bloxham School**

## **Additional Information**

**2009/ 2010**

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Headmaster	ME Allbrook MA, Trinity Hall, Cambridge
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### CURRICULUM

#### Lower School (Years 7 And 8)

English	Physics	Technology *
Maths	Chemistry	Latin
French	Biology	Religious Education
History	Music	Physical Education
Geography	Art	Personal & Social Education

#### Third Form (Year 9)

English	Physics	Technology*
Maths	Chemistry	ICT
French	Biology	Religious Education
History	Music	Physical Education
Geography	Art	Personal & Social Education

In addition they choose another language, either German, Spanish or Latin.

\*Technology (Design, Electronics, Textiles)

#### Fourth and Fifth Forms (Years 10 and 11)

For the two GCSE years, all pupils continue to study as examined subjects:

English Language	French	Chemistry
English Literature	Physics	Biology
Maths		

They also choose three subjects, one from each of the following blocks:

Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
Business Studies	Art	Art
Geography	Geography	Design & Technology
History	German	Electronics
	Latin	History
	Music	Music
	Spanish	Textiles Technology

All pupils take a short course in Religious Education (a half GCSE).

In addition all pupils have lessons in Physical Education.

#### Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13)

Each Sixth Form pupil chooses 4 subjects to study. At the end of the Lower Sixth, having taken 3 modules - called AS modules - in each subject, he or she will have gained an 'AS' level in each one (Maths is an exception). Students will then select three of their subjects to continue within the Upper Sixth year. Once again they will take 3 modules - this time A2 modules - and at the end of the year they will have converted the 'AS' level into an 'A' level. At the end of their Sixth Form career pupils will have gained 3 'A' levels and 1 'AS' level.

Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
Art	Business Studies	Chemistry	Art
Geography	German	Design Technology	Biology
Mathematics	History	English	Business Studies
Politics	Music	French	Economics
Psychology	Physics	Geography	English
Theatre Studies	Spanish	Music Technology	I.C.T.
	Textiles	PE	Religious Studies

### ADMISSION

A boy or girl may be registered at any time, although registration does not provide a guarantee that the offer of a place will be made. In the year previous to entry, parents will be asked to confirm the registration and pay a deposit.

Before a pupil may be admitted to the School it is necessary to ensure that he or she will be capable of the academic courses at Bloxham.

#### Entry at age 11 (day and weekly boarding)

Boys and girls qualify by sitting our Entrance Examination which takes place in January each year. Scholarships may be awarded for an outstanding performance in this examination.

#### Entry at age 13 (day and full boarding)

A pupil at age 13 may qualify by sitting Common Entrance, by sitting the School's Scholarship Examination, or, for boys and girls who have not been prepared for these examinations, by sitting other tests. These tests are usually taken at the School, during the Lent term and the Headmaster would request a report from the previous school.

Entry is sometimes possible for pupils at age 14 or 15 on the basis of transfer from other schools, though the Headmaster is likely to ask such candidates to sit entry tests and would require a report from the previous school.

#### Entry at age 16 (day and full boarding)

Candidates for entry to the Sixth Form are asked to complete a two-part form. Section A is filled in by the candidate, it should then be passed with Section B to their present Head, who is asked to give further information and return the completed form to Bloxham. Candidates are then invited to Bloxham for an interview with senior members of the staff. There is an inter-school agreement that no offers should be made before 1st December. Offers are only made to those who are expected comfortably to achieve the requirement for entry to the Sixth Form of three B grade and three C grade GCSEs, with at least a B grade in the subjects they wish to study at AS Level.

#### Overseas Students

In the case of overseas students, it is our policy for applicants to visit Bloxham for their interview and entrance exams. All Scholarship examinations must be taken at Bloxham.

## **Additional Information**

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### **OTHER MATTERS**

#### **Health**

It is expected that all pupils will have had their immunisations against whooping cough, diphtheria, poliomyelitis, measles and tetanus before coming to the School. Booster doses of tetanus, diphtheria and polio may be given to the appropriate age groups with parental consent.

Specialist treatment when required can be obtained through the Local District General Hospital or The Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, both of which are under the Oxfordshire Area Health Authority, or at The Foscote Private Hospital in Banbury. Further treatment under the National Health Service is always available and, when desired, private specialist treatment can be obtained at the parents' expense and by normal insurance.

#### **Discipline**

The Headmaster reserves the right to require the removal of a pupil at any time if, in his opinion, it is necessary in the interests of either School or pupil. No remission of fees for the remainder of the term during which the pupil has been removed will be granted.

Destination of Leavers 2009

Aston	French & Spanish Translation
Bath	Architecture
Bath	Biochemistry
Bath	Sports Performance
Birmingham	Computer Science
Birmingham	English
Birmingham	Geology/Geography
Birmingham	Sports and Material Science
Bristol	Politics
Bristol	Veterinary Science
BUWE	Accounting & Finance
BUWE	Business Studies
BUWE	Midwifery
CUWIC	Sports Development
Durham	Business Studies
Edinburgh	Business Studies
Exeter	Mech Engineering
Exeter	Politics
Gloucester	Business Management
Keele	Medicine
Kent	English & Spanish Law
Kent	Sports Therapy
King's College London	Biochemistry
King's College London	Philosophy
King's College London	War Studies
Leeds	Art & Design
Loughborough	Ind D & T
Loughborough	Mech Engineering
Manchester	Fashion / Textile Retailing
Manchester	Geography
Manchester	Maths & Financial Maths
Newport, UofW	Sports Coaching & Development
Northampton	Events Management
Nottm Trent	Business and Marketing
Nottm Trent	Fashion Marketing
Portsmouth	Games Technology
Sheffield	French & Spanish
Southampton	Aeronautics/Astro
Surrey	Management
UEA	Business Management
York	English
German Universities	
Art Foundation	

## Additional Information

### EXAMINATION RESULTS 2009

GCSE	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U	A-C %	A*/A %	A*-B%
English	70	3	29	16	22						100.0%	45.7%	68.6%
English Lit	70	3	32	20	15						100.0%	50.0%	78.6%
Latin	6	4	2								100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
French	65	16	18	18	12	1					98.5%	52.3%	80.0%
German	10	3	4	2	1						100.0%	70.0%	90.0%
Spanish	17	7	3	5	1	1					94.1%	58.8%	88.2%
History	33	3	16	8	5	1					97.0%	57.6%	81.8%
Geography	40	14	14	7	5						100.0%	70.0%	87.5%
Bus. Stud.	28	8	14	5	1						100.0%	78.6%	96.4%
RS Short	35	13	14.5	7	0.5						100.0%	78.6%	98.6%
Maths	70	11	18	30	9	2					97.1%	41.4%	84.3%
Core Science	52	5	18	21	7	1					98.1%	44.2%	84.6%
Additional Science	52	2	19	22	9						100.0%	40.4%	82.7%
Physics	18	14	4								100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Chemistry	18	12	4	2							100.0%	88.9%	100.0%
Biology	18	11	7								100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
DT	17	12	4	1							100.0%	94.1%	100.0%
Art	30		9	15	6						100.0%	30.0%	80.0%
Music	10	2	3	2	2	1					90.0%	50.0%	70.0%
Electronics	4			4							100.0%		100.0%
Textiles	15	9	6								100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

A level	Entries	A	B	C	D	E	U	Pass %	A/B %
English Lit.	10	2	3	3	1	1		100.0%	50.0%
French	8	2	3	2	1			100.0%	62.5%
German	6	3	2		1			100.0%	83.3%
Spanish	10	2	3	5				100.0%	50.0%
History	7	4	3					100.0%	100.0%
Geography	12	2	4	6				100.0%	50.0%
Economics	7	1	1	3		2		100.0%	28.6%
Bus. Stud.	28	6	11	9	2			100.0%	60.7%
Gov & Politics	13	6	4	3				100.0%	76.9%
Maths	17	6	5	2	2	2		100.0%	64.7%
Further Maths	4	3	1					100.0%	100.0%
Physics	11	1	2	5	1	2		100.0%	27.3%
Chemistry	12	3	3	3		2	1	91.7%	50.0%
Biology	10	6	1	2		1		100.0%	70.0%
DT	4	2	1		1			100.0%	75.0%
IT	5	1		1	2	1		100.0%	20.0%
Art	20	14	3	1	1	1		100.0%	85.0%
Music									
Music Tech	2		1		1			100.0%	50.0%
Theatre Studies	5		2	1	2			100.0%	40.0%
PE	10.5		4	3	2	1.5		100.0%	38.1%
Gen. Stud.									
Psychology	5		2	3				100.0%	40.0%

RS	4	1	1	1	1	100.0%	50.0%
Textiles	2	1	1			100.0%	100.0%

**A SUMMARY OF RECENT GCSE AND 'A' LEVEL RESULTS**

	<b>Recent GCSE Results</b>									
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
No. of candidates	47	45	60	57	67	68	70	67	69	70
% A*/ C grades	92.3	91.5	92.7	96.2	91.9	92.7	95.3	96.0	97.0	99.0
%A*/A grades	31.8	35.6	31.8	34.0	40.1	40.0	43.0	45.9	48.0	57.6
Passes/candidate	8.5	8.6	8.6	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.6
Points/candidate	54.5	56.9	55.0	57.4	59.5	59.4	60.5	60.7	62.1	64.3

Points are 8 for a grade A\*, 7 for a grade A, ... 1 for a grade G

	<b>Recent A Level Results</b>									
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
No. of candidates	69	83	52	53	68	65	65	59	64	69
% passes	91.2	95.5	98.1	95.6	99.6	98.1	98.5	97.3	98.5	99.5
%A/B grades	45.1	53.3	44.6	45.6	53.8	49.7	57.9	62.7	67.3	59.8
Passes/candidate	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5
UCAS Points/candidate	23.4	24.7	260.8	287	301.7	287	311	315	326	319

UCAS points -2001 are: A level: 10 for a grade A, 8 for a grade B, ... 2 for a grade E  
AS level: 5 for a grade A, 4 for a grade B, ... 1 for a grade E.

UCAS points 2002 onwards are: A level: 120 for a grade A, 100 for a grade B, ... 40 for a grade E  
AS level: 60 for a grade A, 50 for a grade B, ... 20 for a grade E