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## Bishop Heber Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

Entrance music by Year 12 Edie Mathialahan and Mr Ferrelly



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### Welcome

Mr D. A. Curry
Headteacher



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## Results 2025

A-level Results	A* - A	A* - B	A*-C	A* - E
Bishop Heber	30%	56%	84%	100%
Headline Figures	1st	1st	1st	1st
CWAC Average				
Headline Figures	18%	43%	69%	97%
(School Sixth Forms)				

Vocational L3 Results	Dist* - Dist	Dist* - Merit	Dist* - Pass
Bishop Heber Headline Figures	65%	96%	100%



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### **Meet the Team**

Mr Garnham

Director of Sixth Form - Assistant Headteacher

Mr Williams
Deputy Director of Sixth Form

Mr Ridley Thomas
Deputy Headteacher



Why
Bishop Heber
Sixth Form?







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## Outstanding outcomes for all

Average GCSE Grade						
Grade 4 – 5.4	Grade 5.5 - 6.4	Grade 6.5 +				
Quarter of a grade better than expected.	Third of a grade better than expected.	Quarter of a grade better than expected.				

- All groups of Heber students make excellent progress.
- A legacy of students securing places at the most competitive universities and companies.
- An outstanding Sixth Form culture that promotes positive values ("The Heber Way").



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# A modern and exciting curriculum, delivered by subject experts

- 30 courses initially offered.
- Vocational courses as well as wide array of A level choices.
- Creative qualifications and 'traditional' academic options.
- Experienced, specialist teachers with excellent resources.





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# The freedom to flourish, but not to fail!

- Culture of independence and trust most students have 10+ hours of non-contact time per fortnight.
- Help and advice to choose your own subject pathway.
- Manage your free time. Structured support to develop your study skills including 'supervised silent study' lessons.
- Caring, supportive relationships between staff and students.
- 'Triangle of communication' between staff, students and parents.
- Pro-active systems of support when things are not going as planned.



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### Additional Sixth Form Facilities

- Sixth Form Centre including dedicated toilets.
- Library / IT6 computer suite / Designated 'free rooms'.
- Canteen extension social study space designed with Sixth Form in mind. Coffee Machine!
- WiFi guest network / Office 365 licences / Specialist software
- Heber Leisure Discounted gym access for only £10 per term (to 4.30pm)





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## Helping you to prepare for life in the wider world.

- Personal Development: health and wellbeing, relationships, living in the wider world, and careers advice and guidance.
- External speakers.
- Prefect elections.
- Form time programme framed around reading, debating current issues, and discussion.
- Life skills lessons personal safety, driving awareness, cooking on a budget, financial education and more...





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## EPQ / L3 Maths

- Extended Project Qualification
- An independent research project on a topic / area of your choice.
- Completed throughout Year 12, with grades received in January of Year 13.
- Equivalent to an AS.

- L3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths)
- Recommended for students who are taking certain subjects with high maths content but not already taking A level Maths.
- An AS level qualification studied during Year 12.



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## Enrichment / Extra Curricular / Leadership Opportunities

- Competitive and 'just for fun' sports teams and clubs.
- Activities, clubs and societies including Young Enterprise, Medic Society, Senior Debating Club, Model UN, Creative writing, Chess Club, Senior Voices Choir, band, school production.
- Duke of Edinburgh (Gold)
- Frequent Trips and Visits
- Book Buddies
- Enrichment Weeks volunteering, enrichment and leadership activities to develop skills and support the school and local community.







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## Careers pathways and futures

- Year 11 'Futures' meetings with experienced staff.
- Transition summer 'bridging tasks' and tailored induction programme for start of Y12. Extra support for those 'new to Heber'
- Post-18 pathways information and guidance

   1-1 careers meetings, external speakers,
   trips and visits, mock interviews, info
   evening.
- Individual mentoring for UCAS, apprenticeship and employment applications.
- Work experience week in Year 12.





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## Scholars Programme Super-curricular

- Recommended for Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry, Vet Sci or Law.
- Signposting of opportunities for academic enrichment.
- Activities and tutorials linked to wider-reading etc.
- Interview preparation and admissions test tutoring.

Revealed: The schools that won the highest number of Oxbridge offers (telegraph.co.uk)

## Employment Readiness Programme

- Supported by The Pledge –
   Cheshire & Warrington
   Enterprise Partnership
- Led by employers (e.g. HSBC)
- CV workshops
- Mock 121 interviews
- Mock assessment centre session

Additional support is also offered to those applying to Conservatoires / Overseas Universities / Armed Forces, or taking a Gap Year



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## Support & wellbeing: 'Happy at Heber'

- Form tutor is the first 'port of call' for all communications a student's advocate in school.
- Personal Development Lessons with focus on Mental Health, wellbeing, and Living in the Wider World.
- Termly 1-1 tutor meetings.
- Wellbeing 'lessons' (games / sports or creative / film)
- Do6 and DDo6 have an open-door policy for matters small or large.
- MH support and awareness.
- Student voice regular mechanisms to collect feedback and ideas.





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### What do our students say?

Respect from teachers

Supportive teachers

available from teachers

Subjects I like

helpful teachers

friends Independent study

**freedom Teachers** 

support from teachers

subject

study outside

lessons

Silent studies

form

free periods

Teachers are very good

"I changed my mind and returned to Heber from college in Northwich and it was the right choice. I felt the weight lift from my shoulders as soon as I came back."

"The teachers present their lessons to make it very interesting and engaging."

"I like having free periods to complete independent study"

"There is constant support available from teachers"

"The friends I have made since coming have helped me transition into this school very easily."



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### **Head Prefects**

Hannah Davies
Ted Tindle



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# Admissions and Application Information

Mr. Ridley Thomas

Deputy Headteacher



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## Entry Requirements

- A minimum of a grade 4 is mandatory in both English and Maths.
- A minimum of five grade 9-4s (or equivalent).
- Any entrance requirements for each individual subject are detailed in the Provisional Sixth Form Course Guide.



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### Designing a Student-Guided Offer

Provisional Lower Sixth Course List 2026					
Art & Design	English Language	History	Product Design		
Biology	English Literature	Mathematics	Psychology		
Business BTec	Food Science/Nutrition L3 Diploma	Media Studies	Religious Studies		
Chemistry	Further Maths	Music Technology	Sociology		
Computer Science	Geography	Photography	Spanish		
Drama and Theatre	German	Physics	Sport BTec		
Economics	Health & Social Care BTec	Politics	Travel & Tourism BTec		



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### **Deadlines**

- The deadline for receipt of Provisional course preferences (online) is 1pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025.
- Final option blocks and formal applications will be available in January 2026.
- The deadline for return of Final option choices and formal applications is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>
   February 2026.
- Conditional offers will be sent in early March



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### **External Students**

- Please make sure you have completed the contact forms (at the back) before you leave the Sports Hall.
- Keep checking the School website, but Mr Garnham will contact you via email with information about accessing the Provisional Course Preference Form (online). Complete this by 1pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025.



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## Make the right choices:

- Visit all subjects you are interested in this evening.
- Talk to your teachers, family/siblings, the Sixth Form team, existing students.
- Think about your career pathways to select the correct courses e.g. if you would like to read Medicine you should study certain subjects (Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology).



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For any students / families who have any non-subject related questions or would like to find out more about anything we have shared tonight, please come and join us for a tea/coffee in the Sixth Form Centre (ground floor).

### Thank you for coming!

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@BishopHeberHS
@HeberSport
@Heber Head