

COTHAM SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 27 September 2023, 18:30 – 20:30

**Presentations by Ms Jo Butler, Headteacher:
18:30 (blue tickets), 19:15 (yellow tickets) and 20:00 (pink tickets)**

The Senior Leadership Team :

Headteacher	Ms Jo Butler
Deputy Headteacher	Ms Domini Leong
Deputy Headteacher	Mr Christopher Reed
Assistant Headteacher	Mr Ollie Knight
Assistant Headteacher	Mr Owen Morgan
Assistant Headteacher	Ms Van de Berg
Assistant Headteacher	Mrs Anilla Khan
Director of Post 16	Ms Aimi Potter
Director of Finance and Resources	Mrs Allison Crossland

Faculty Leaders:

English	Mr Phil Dodd
Mathematics	Mr Dan King
Science	Ms Emily Boys
Acting Modern Foreign Languages	Ms Anna Bingham
Humanities	Mr Jamie Lloyd
STEAM	Ms Josephine Brock
Performing Arts	Mr Ross Geoghegan
Social Sciences	Ms Hannah Radford-Hines
Physical Education	Mr Jamie Collin
SEND	Ms Gabrielle Telford
Inclusion	Mr Joshua Byworth

Scan and register for your chance to win a prize!



1st Prize - Cotham School Branded Jumper and Polo Shirt (Worth over £40!)

2nd Prize - Cotham School Branded PE Top

3rd Prize - Cotham School Branded Dance Top

4th Prize - Stationary Set



A very warm welcome to Cotham School. We recognise the importance of making the right choice of secondary school for your child and want to make sure that you have all the information you need to make your decision.

We have structured our Open Evening to provide a broad view of our excellent educational provision and our staff and many of our students are here to welcome you and tell you more about what we do.

Due to anticipated large numbers, there will be three presentations by Jo Butler, Headteacher, in the Main School Hall this evening.

Important Health, Safety and Welfare Information

In the event of an **evacuation alarm** sounding, please leave the building as quickly as possible by the nearest available fire exit, listening carefully for instructions from staff. Once outside the building, please make your way to the All Weather Pitch behind K block.

CATERING AT COTHAM SCHOOL Visit the Dining Hall in K Block...	
	See a selection of the menu offered to students at Cotham School
Enjoy a complimentary tea/coffee!	

PROGRAMME FOR THE EVENING

Faculty Area	Activity 2023/2024	Room
English	Come and play some English challenges, meet the English staff and experience the Key Stage 3 and 4 curriculum.	A214
	Watch Film and Media projects made by Post-16 students and sample the Key Stage 5 subject offers.	A215
Maths	Maths will be providing a range of activities including: PCs and interactive whiteboards demonstrating use of mathematical software, Mathematical investigations and puzzles, display of textbooks and other resources, and informal conversations with our teachers.	A209
Science	Meet the Science team for hair-raising and eye-opening experiments and demonstrations by students and staff. Lots of hands-on activities to try. Talk to students about their experiences in Science and to staff about learning Science from Key Stage 3 to University.	C210 and Superlab
SEND and Inclusion	Come and meet the staff, ask questions and see our resources. Find out more about the additional support we offer students, both inside and outside of the classroom.	Safe Space
Visual Arts	Visual Arts will be providing displays of work from all years including from our GCSE and A-level Fine Art, Photography courses. Staff will be on hand to tell you about the projects, exhibitions, competitions and clubs.	C005/6/ 7
Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)	Meet the staff and students. Find out more about studying French, German and Spanish in the Modern Foreign Languages department. Find out about opportunities to take qualifications in your mother tongue. Ask questions and see our resources. Learn about previous trips abroad and opportunities for the future.	A120 French A118 German and Spanish
Humanities	The Humanities subject areas will be showcasing their resources and examples of student learning in Geography, History, REP and PSHE. Information, leaflets, practical activities, map tasks, artefacts will all be on show.	K003, K008, K107 and K109
Physical Education	The PE team will have demonstrations, practical activities and information on PE at Key Stage 4, Key Stage 3, Post-16. DofE is now run by JB and not the PE Faculty.	Sports Hall
Computing and IT	Come and explore the games programming at Cotham. See and play the games that Cotham students have made and have a go at making your own. Also look at the Key Stage 3 Curriculum and GCSE Courses that we offer in the department. The school Arcade Machine will also be being worked on.	D108/9
Performing Arts	As well as receiving general information on the Performing Arts and extracurricular activities, come and see a Year 7 Drama workshop, Year 7 students taking part in a dance workshop led by our Year 10 students, and explore music composition using the computers.	E117 Drama E008 Dance E113 Music
Design and Technology	See our Key Stage 4 students working on their portfolios for GCSE and see our wonderful 3D Design printer in action.	D106, D107 D108, D109
Food Technology	Tasty food samples will be made by Year 10 Students studying GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition in C109.	C109
Social Sciences	Educating Tomorrow's Entrepreneurs Today! Come and find out about our GCSE Business and Level 2 Retail Business courses. You can also chat with Child Development teachers and meet our "Real Care" electronic babies! The Sociology teachers will be showcasing their resources and explaining how we ignite critical minds! We are also able to chat about our Post-16 options - Business, Psychology, Sociology and Health and Social Care, as well as our Foundation Pathway.	K102 K103
Student Guides are available around the school to help you and there is a map at the end of the programme		



OPEN MORNINGS

We understand that choosing a secondary school is a big decision and if you are undecided, a visit to the school while it is working can help inform your judgement. Therefore, we are offering a number of open mornings in order to provide a more personal tour of the school and talk with a senior member of staff.

Places are limited; once the tours are full, we regret we cannot manage additional numbers.

Additional Open Mornings for Year 6 students, parents and carers

09:15 to 10:00

10 Oct | 20 Oct | 12 Dec 2023

Please visit the school website Admissions Page for [a link](#) to the online booking form or contact info@cotham.bristol.sch.uk.



NORTH BRISTOL
Post 16 Centre



Open Evenings

Open Evenings for Year 11 applicants to the Post 16 Learning Communities of Cotham School and Redland Green School

Cotham Learning Community: Thursday 12 October 18:30 to 20:30

Redland Green Learning Community: Thursday 19 October 18:30 to 20:30

Open Mornings at Cotham Learning Community

More details coming soon on our website at www.nbp16c.org.uk

Key Stage 4 Outcomes

	2017/18 (%)			2018/19 (%)			2019/20 (%) (CAGS)**			2020/21 (%) (TAGS)**			2021/22 (%)			2022/23 (%)		
Measure	All Students	Females	Males	All Students	Females	Males	All Students	Females	Males	All Students	Females	Males	All Students	Females	Males	All Students	Females	Males
Number of candidates	213	102	111	216	91	125	214	94	120	214	97	117	214	93	121	247	108	139
Attainment 8	51.21	55.08	47.65	45.6	47.8	44.1	49.63	48.85	50.24	54.94	60.1	50.7	51.39	51.69	51.15	46.70	49.93	44.28
% Students achieving 5 standard passes inc English & Maths	70.4 %	74.5 %	66.7 %	54.6 %	59.3 %	51.2 %	65.0 %	66.0 %	64.2 %	72.9 %	87.6 %	60.7 %	65.0 %	64.5 %	65.3 %	61.0 %	65.3 %	57.8 %
% Standard Pass in English and Maths (grade 4+)	74.6 %	80.4 %	69.4 %	59.7 %	62.6 %	57.6 %	73.8 %	73.4 %	74.2 %	77.1 %	89.7 %	66.7 %	71.0 %	69.9 %	71.9 %	68.6 %	72.3 %	65.9 %
% Strong pass in English and Maths (grade 5+)	54.5 %	56.9 %	52.3 %	40.7 %	39.6 %	41.6 %	53.3 %	50.0 %	55.8 %	60.3 %	70.1 %	52.1 %	56.1 %	52.7 %	58.7 %	44.1 %	46.5 %	42.2 %
% Achieving the E BACC qualification (Standard pass)	39.4 %	44.1 %	35.1 %	30.1 %	36.3 %	25.6 %	35.5 %	42.6 %	30.0 %	16.8 %	19.6	14.5	36.0 %	39.8 %	33.1 %	30.1 %	31.7 %	28.9 %
* DfE validated performance tables may look slightly different due to disapplication of a few students																		

**Key: Centre Assessed Grades (CAGS); Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGS)

Cumulative Percentage of GCSE Grades (includes equivalent qualifications)

%	9	8+	7+	6+	5+	4+	3+	2+	1+
Cotham 2022.23 Exams	5.4%	12.0%	21.2%	34.0%	51.8%	70.3%	85.3%	93.0%	97.4%
Cotham 2021/22 Exams	8.7%	19.1%	32.3%	47.0%	62.6%	76.7%	87.4%	95.5%	98.8%
Cotham 2020/21 TAGS	10.1%	21.1%	34.9%	48.8%	66.8%	80.7%	91.4%	95.9%	98.5 %
Cotham 2019/20 CAGS	4.6%	11.7%	23.2%	36.7%	55.4%	72.7%	86.1%	93.7%	98.5 %
Cotham 2018/19	3.2%	8.8%	18.9%	29.6%	48.1%	64.4%	81.5%	91.8%	98.0%

COTHAM POST 16 HEADLINES <i>(2022, 2021 and 2022 variations in assessment model - COVID)</i>		2018	2019	2020 (Covid - CAGs)	2021 (Covid - TAGs)	2022 (Covid - altered grade boundaries)	2023
Average Grade	Academic	C+	C+	B-	B-	C+	C
	Applied	Dist+	Merit+	Merit	Dist-	Dist-	Merit+
A*-A		15	26	30	33	29	24%
A*-B		45	51	57	59	54	45%
A*-E		97	97	99	97	97	97%

KS4 and KS5 Results for Summer 2023

This year, we saw a return to a full examination series and our students rose to the occasion with determination and maturity. This cohort of young people have faced unprecedented challenges to reach this point.

The majority of our Year 11 students were able to take their hard earned results and secure their place to study their chosen Level 3 courses with us at the North Bristol Post 16 Centre. The last 2 years have been incredibly challenging for all of us, but most of all for our students who have demonstrated incredible resilience in their approach to their studies. We know that a great deal of support has been offered by our parents and carers too and we're grateful to our parents and carers for that support. Well done Year 11 students and their parents and carers for achieving an incredible set of results.

We are especially proud of the resilience shown by our Post 16 leavers, who sat formal exams for the first time this summer, having missed the opportunity to sit their GCSEs in 2020 as a result of the global pandemic. The vast majority of our Post 16 students who applied to university were accepted into their first choice institutions, which will see them move far and wide to continue their educational journeys at some of the best universities in the country (and some travelling overseas for their higher education). We also saw a large number of our students secure highly competitive apprenticeship pathways in a range of industries. Once again, Cotham students made superb progress from their GCSE starting points, with almost a third of all A Levels graded at A or A*.

The greatest pride in these outcomes is in seeing our Year 11 and 13 students, who have challenged themselves throughout their educational journey and set high and healthy expectations, having those efforts rewarded. We share in their celebrations and wish them every possible success for the future as they step out to take their place in the world; we have no doubt that these results are just the opening chapter for the truly successful and substantial lives each one of them will go on to lead.

PLAN OF THE SCHOOL

