A WORLD OF POSSIBILITIES

SOUTHFIELD SIXTH FORM

WELCOME TO SOUTHFIELD SIXTH

HEADTEACHER
MR CHRIS MEADWAY

Welcome to Southfield Sixth Form – a vibrant, ambitious community where students are supported, challenged and inspired to achieve their very best.

We are proud to offer an exceptional Sixth Form experience, built around academic excellence, personalised support and a wide range of enrichment and leadership opportunities. Whether you are aiming for university, an apprenticeship or a direct route into employment, Southfield provides the perfect bridge to your future.

At the heart of our Outstanding Sixth Form is a clear belief: every student should feel empowered to be themselves, to aim high, and to flourish. Our world-class curriculum is delivered by passionate subject specialists who bring learning to life, while our Future Steps programme ensures students are well-prepared for the choices ahead. We offer a broad and balanced education, complemented by an ambitious enrichment offer including over 130 trips each year, the Duke of Edinburgh Award, the Combined Cadet Force, and leadership pathways designed to develop confidence and character.

Our students learn in a purpose-built Sixth Form centre featuring a 220+ seat lecture theatre, collaborative study areas, dedicated IT facilities, and our bespoke coffee shop, Brew52. This inspiring environment reflects the independence and maturity we nurture in every student.

Everything we do is underpinned by our core values: *Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Proud to be Southfield.* These values are lived every day - through academic endeavour, personal growth, and the strong, respectful relationships between students and staff.

We look forward to welcoming you and supporting you on your journey to a successful and exciting future.

> “THE FEEL WITHIN THE SIXTH FORM REALLY IS DIFFERENT AND MORE MATURE TO WHAT YOU WILL HAVE EXPERIENCED UP TO THE END OF YEAR 11.

YEAR 12 STUDENT

ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

We offer a broad range of subjects that you can study to Level 3. All of our qualifications are delivered by knowledgeable experts, committed to delivering stimulating learning and nurturing your understanding. You can pursue a range of pathways that could consist of A Levels, Vocational Qualifications or a blend of the two types.

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STUDENTS IN THE SIXTH FORM BENEFIT FROM VERY STRONG PROVISION THAT PREPARES THEM WELL FOR THEIR NEXT STEPS.

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SOUTHFIELD SIXTH FORM WILL GIVE YOU A UNIQUE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE, PROVIDING YOU WITH ACADEMIC AND ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN ORDER TO EMBRACE THE CHALLENGES AND EXPERIENCES OF LIFE.

YEAR 13 STUDENT

ENRICHED CURRICULUM

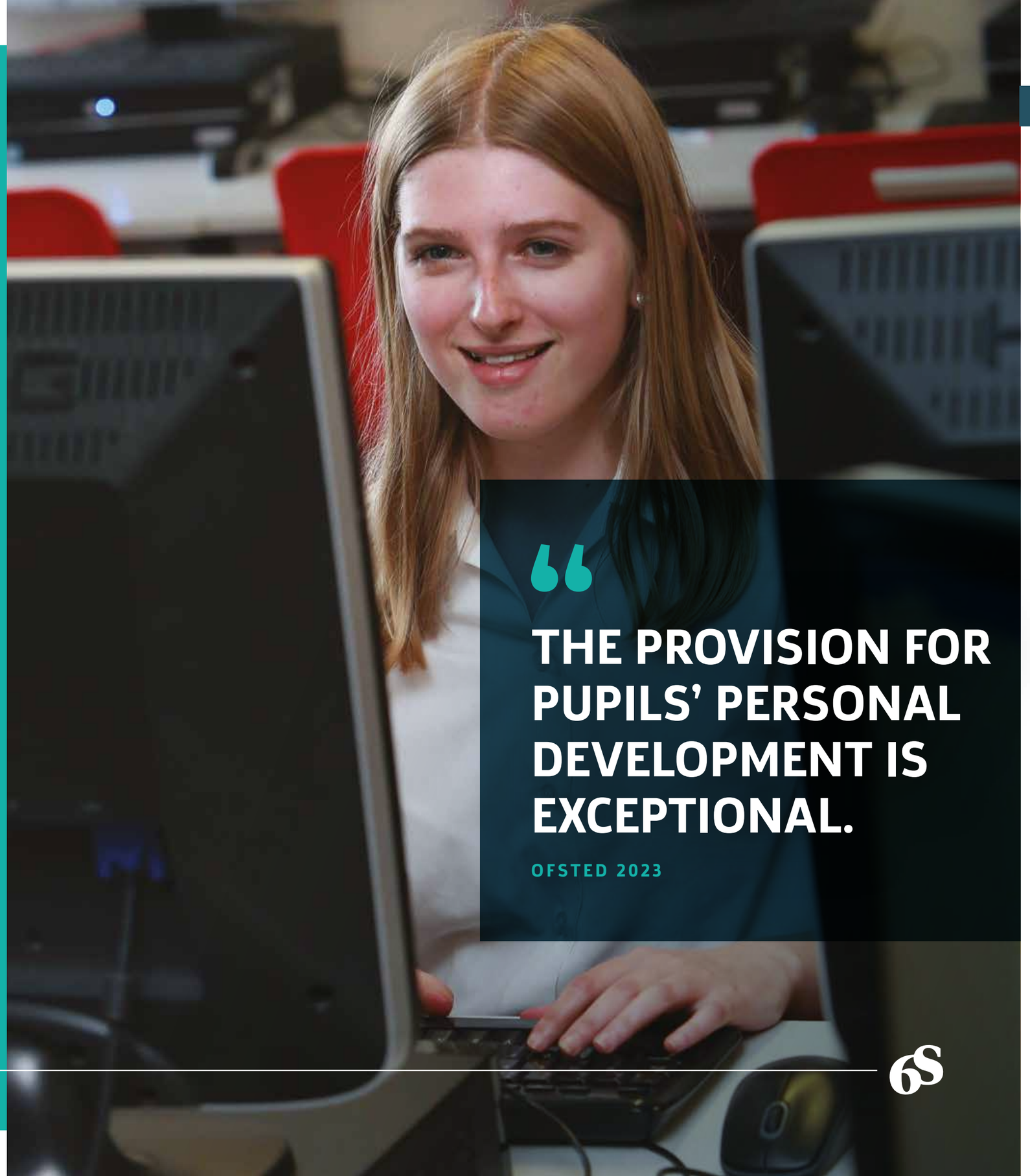
SOUTHFIELD STUDENT LEADERSHIP INCLUSION AND REPRESENTATION

We are committed to providing a broad range of opportunities that will enrich your experience. We are particularly proud of our Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, Healthy Living initiative, Student Leadership opportunities and a wide range of clubs and societies.

The Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme is undertaken in canoes on a range of types of water yet includes the overarching camp craft skills.

Our unique Healthy Living programme includes timetabled active sessions which aim to provide you with some much needed balance whilst the study support sessions aim to elevate your academic skills to the next level.

Our Student Leadership is spearheaded by our Year 13 students through the mission of 'Inclusion and Representation'. Individual Student Leadership posts relate to pastoral and curriculum support alongside bespoke community focused projects. We empower this group to lead the student body through their mission.



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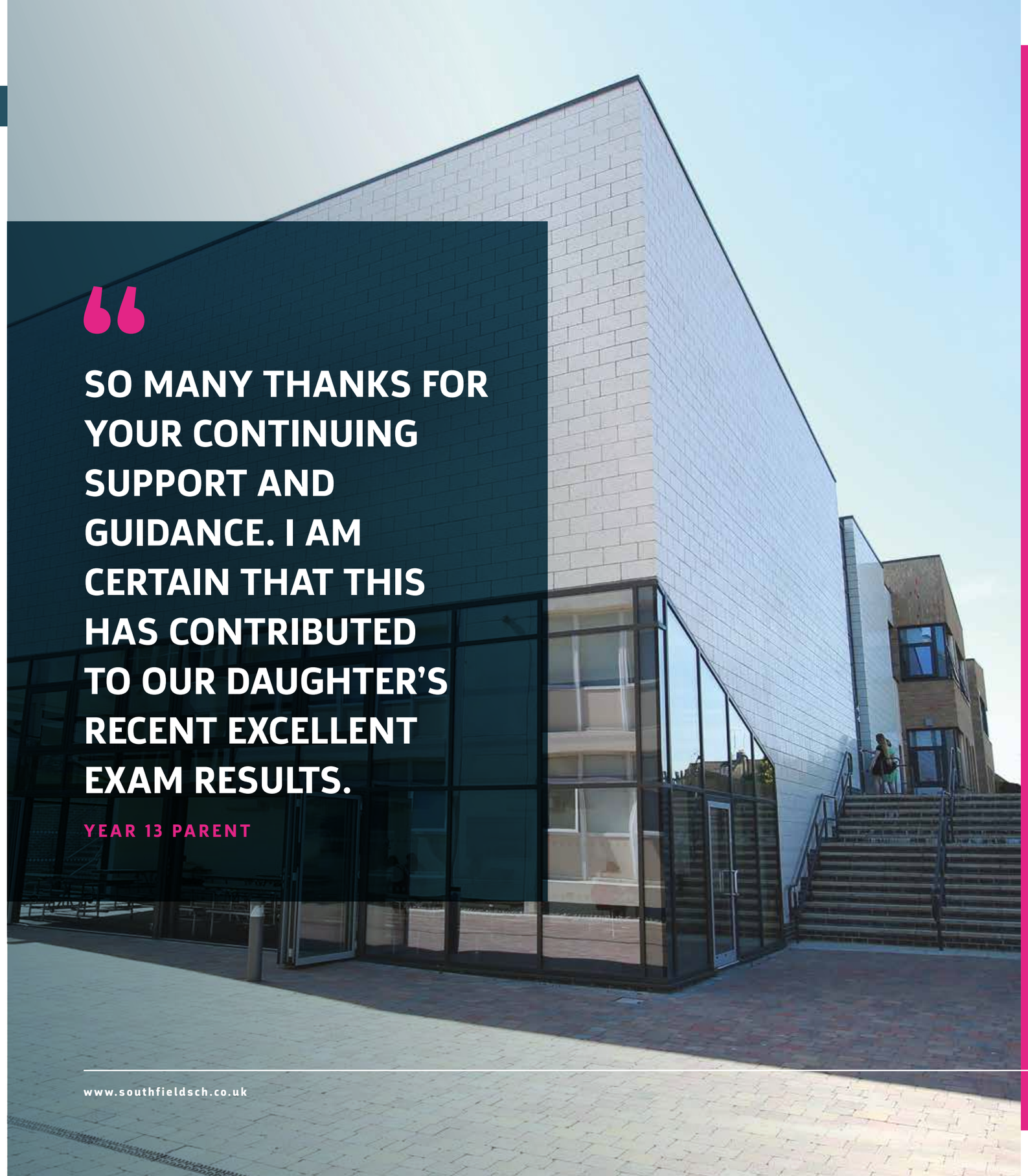

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SO MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE. I AM CERTAIN THAT THIS HAS CONTRIBUTED TO OUR DAUGHTER’S RECENT EXCELLENT EXAM RESULTS.

YEAR 13 PARENT

ACADEMIC & PASTORAL SUPPORT

We recognise that your achievement and success comes with support and we have a dedicated programme in place to assist the transition from Sixth Form to university, apprenticeships and the workplace:

- You will meet with your form tutor daily and experience a tutor programme which includes personal, social, health and careers development
- You will also have an academic mentor and meet with them formally every term. These meetings are informed by the ongoing monitoring and evaluation of your progress throughout the year
- You will self-direct regular independent study sessions
- You will experience Healthy Active, Study Support and Life Skills sessions
- You will take part in ‘Personal Development’ Days throughout Years 12 and 13 focusing on key activities and skills appropriate to your stage in the learning journey
- You will receive university and apprenticeship application support throughout Years 12 and 13, plus additional support for Oxbridge and medicine applicants
- You will have access to external support agencies

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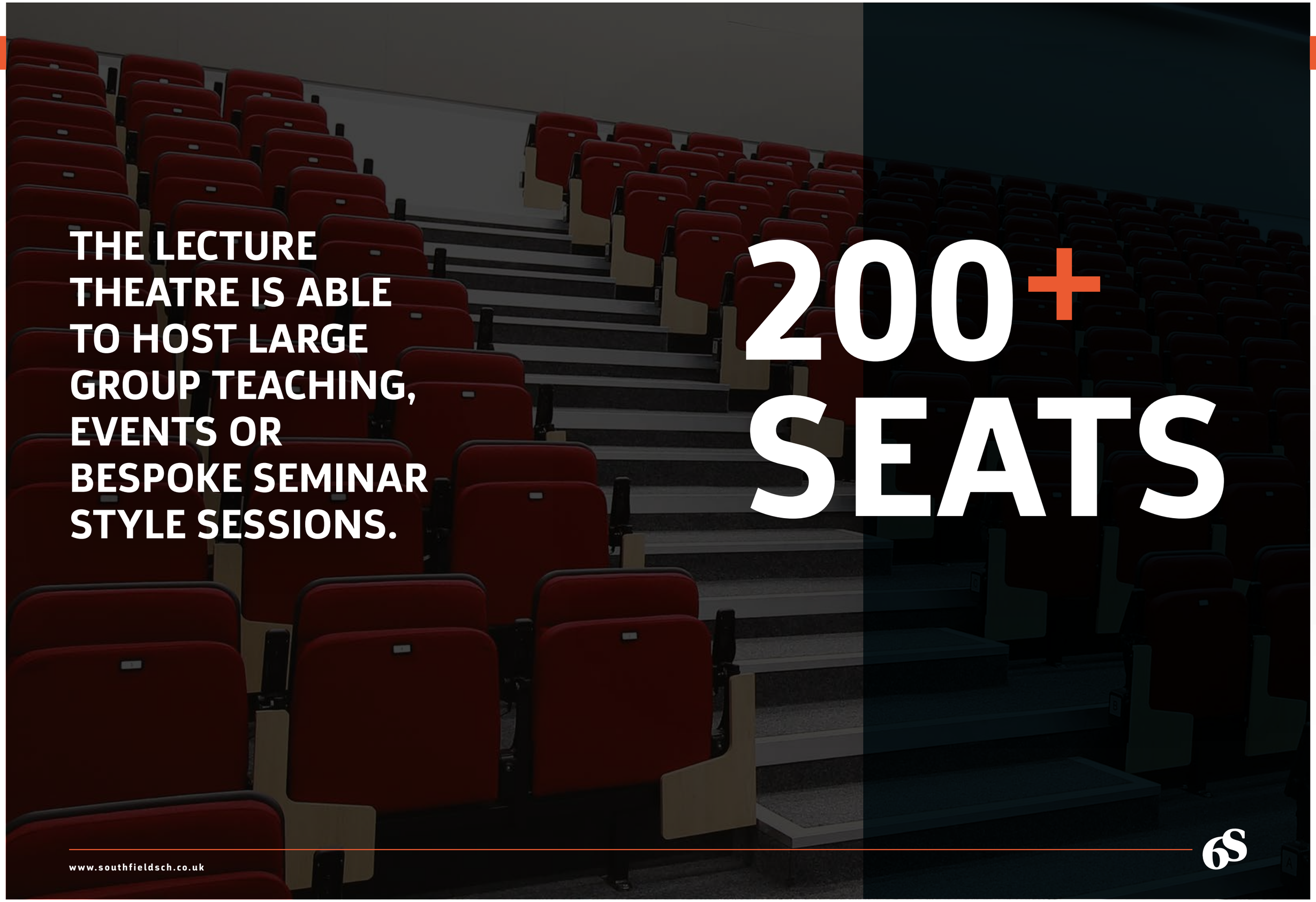
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200+
SEATS

OUR FACILITIES

You will learn in state-of-the-art-facilities. Our new building was designed with the Sixth Form in mind to include a diverse range of learning and social spaces. The design was also considerate of the environmental impact of the building and therefore created with sustainable materials.

The building features an impressive 220+ seat lecture theatre, able to host large group teaching, events or bespoke seminar style sessions. It really is a step in to university study.

Beyond the sixth form building, you could be using other specialist facilities such as the Science Labs, Art Rooms, Music and Drama spaces and sports facilities including an indoor fitness suite, outdoor gym and assault course!

Upstairs, our bespoke Café, Brew52, captures the essence of the building with glass walls at either end, it features different seating areas, including a high-stool bar and USB charging points.

The popular café is the ideal meeting point and really has become the student's 'place in their world'. In addition to the classrooms in the building, a number of study rooms offer quiet spaces and IT facilities to use.

> "THE FACILITIES REALLY ARE INCREDIBLE. IT FEELS LIKE I AM AT UNIVERSITY ALREADY.
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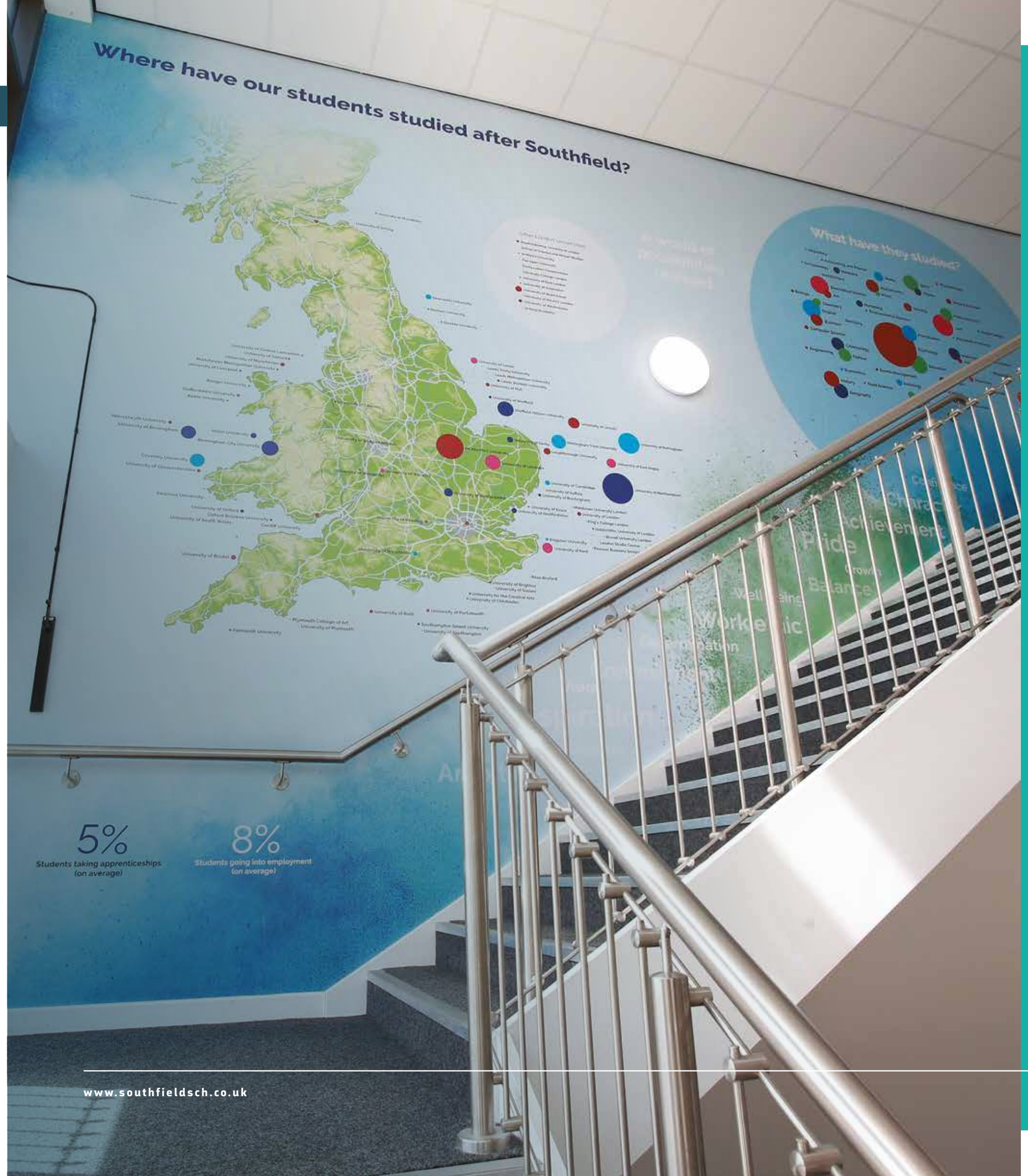
> YEAR 13 STUDENT



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STUDENTS ENGAGE WELL WITH WORK EXPERIENCE.

OFSTED 2023

‘BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE’ WHERE OUR STUDENTS STUDIED AFTER SOUTHFIELD

You will be provided with a wide range of opportunities to support you in achieving your future career goals. We have a dedicated Level 6 qualified careers advisor to offer support in planning next steps into education, employment or training. As part of the form time curriculum, you will have regular opportunities to speak with local employers, industry representatives, university speakers and apprenticeship providers. Supporting your progression after Year 13 is a part of your experience here. We will work closely with you to help you make the right next step for you.

ENTRY & ADMISSIONS

PATHWAY 01

Students selecting this pathway will, in the main, study three A Levels and will have achieved five GCSEs which add up to 25 or more, with a minimum of a grade 5 in English and Maths. They will also need to meet the subject entry requirements for all the subjects that they select. By exception, some students may be able to study four A Levels. This will be determined on an individual basis.

PATHWAY 02

This can be any combination from the range of Level 3 courses. Students selecting this pathway will have achieved five GCSEs which add up to 20 or more, with a minimum of a grade 4 in English and Maths. Students selecting this pathway will need to meet the subject entry requirements for all the subjects that they select.

PATHWAY 03

Students selecting this pathway will have achieved five GCSEs (or equivalent level 2 passes) which add up to 20 or more. They will also need to meet the subject entry requirements for all the subjects that they select. Students not achieving a grade 4 in English or Maths will need to re-sit these exams.

> “I HAVE GROWN SO MUCH AS A PERSON AT SOUTHFIELD SIXTH FORM. I AM MORE CONFIDENT AND THIS COMES FROM THE ETHOS OF THE SCHOOL.

YEAR 13 STUDENT

APPLICATIONS & DATES

To apply for a place at Southfield School Sixth Form please complete the online application form on the Southfield School website at **www.southfieldsch.co.uk**

If you have any questions, please contact our Sixth Form Team, at **enquiries@southfieldsch.co.uk**

OPEN EVENING
NOVEMBER

RETURN DATE FOR ADMISSIONS
DECEMBER

PROVISIONAL OFFER OF SIXTH FORM PLACE
END OF JANUARY

GCSE RESULTS & CONFIRMATION OF SIXTH FORM PLACE
AUGUST

INDEPENDENT APPEALS
SEPTEMBER

“I LEFT SOUTHFIELD IN 2007, GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM IN 2012 AND NOW WORK FOR THE NHS SPECIALISING IN DIABETES AND ENDOCRINOLOGY.

FORMER SIXTH FORM STUDENT

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WE NURTURE OUR STUDENTS WITH THE FUTURE IN MIND TODAY.

Our world is evolving more rapidly than at any other time and becoming increasingly intertwined through advances in technology and as a result of globalisation. We live not only in an extremely competitive world but also one that presents amazing possibilities and opportunities.

Southfield Sixth Form aims to provide for the future needs of our students. Careers and types of employment opportunities are evolving and changing continually. Some are yet to be created and so we see it as our obligation to prepare our students to be competitive in anticipation of the unknown. Therefore, our strong focus on academic attainment is equalled by our commitment to develop transferable skills and personal characteristics through the many opportunities we provide.

We provide an education that prepares our young people for a future in which they will need to be adaptable, resourceful and ethical in facing complex challenges. Being a Southfield Sixth Form student will mean the chance to be successful and have a positive influence on the global community. We aim for all of our students to be able to make an impact and leave a positive imprint on the world.

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