

SMRT Sixth Form Entry and Subject Requirements 2026

<p>To do three A level subjects plus a supplementary course we require at least 665544, including 5 in English (Lang or Lit), 4 in Maths BTEC Pass = 4, Merit = 5, Distinction = 7, at least one grade 6 must be in a GCSE subject</p>	
Subject	Specific GCSE grades required
Maths	Grade 7 Maths or grade 6 and a pass in our own aptitude test, to be taken on the start of term enrolment day.
Further Maths	Grade 8 Maths
Physics, Chemistry, Biology	65 in two science subjects including 6 in the chosen science if done separately + 6 in Maths (if short of these grades students can attempt our own aptitude test, to be taken on the start of term enrolment day). We would normally advise at least 66 to study two sciences and at least 77 with a 7 in Maths to study all three.
French, German, Spanish	6 in the language to be studied
English Lang/Lit (combined)	5 in both Language and Literature.
English Language, English Literature	As for the combined course but with a 6 in the specific Language or Literature GCSE being chosen to progress to A Level.
Humanities, Law, Philosophy, Politics, Sociology, Classics, Film	If the subject is taken at GCSE it should be passed at 5 or above and at least one English/Humanities/Social Science subject should be passed with a 6.
Psychology	In addition to the criteria for Humanities must include 5 in Maths and 5 in Science or Biology.
Business Studies	5 in Business or Economics if studied at GCSE but this is not required. Must include 5 in Maths.
Economics	5 in Business or Economics if studied at GCSE but this is not required. Must include 6 in Maths.
Computer Science	6 in one of Maths or Science/Physics and 5 in the other of these. Students must also have achieved a 5/Merit in Computing or IT.
Health & Social Care	Level 2 Pass in Health & Social Care if studied but this is not required. No specific grades beyond core requirements. Requires an interest in the health or caring professions and good organisation to manage coursework demands.

PE	5 in PE if studied but this is not required. Must have 5 in any Science. Regular participation in a good level of competitive, organised sport competitions, from an activity included within the AQA specification.
Art	5 in Art. Other students may be considered, subject to agreement of the Art department based on the submission of a portfolio.
Photography	5 in Photography. Other students may be considered, subject to agreement of the Art department based on the submission of a portfolio.
Media Studies	5 in the subject if studied but this is not required. No specific grades beyond core requirements. Requires creativity and ICT skills.
Drama & Theatre Studies	5 in Drama if studied, but not required if other recent drama experience exists. Grade 5 in English Literature and Language.
Music, Music Technology	5 in Music if studied, but this is not required. However, Music requires an instrument/voice to Grade 5 standard. Music Technology will require basic use of a keyboard and confidence with IT.
Product Design, Textiles	5 in DT if studied, but this is not required if there is evidence of relevant skills and experience in the subject area from elsewhere.