



Welcome to RFSS!

Sixth Form Open Evening - October 2026

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An Important Choice:

- Sixth Form is widely considered to be the gateway to key milestones in your life.
- Selecting the right Sixth Form is key, as A Levels are much harder than GCSEs.
- We are aware that competition in Rugby is tough, but we feel that our reputation as an inclusive and progressive Sixth Form is growing.
- Last year, we had 382 applications, which is the most in our history.



Why Us?

- Expert Sixth Form Leadership Team.
- Information, advice and guidance.
- Experienced teaching team.
- Preparation for adulthood.
- Positive outcomes.





Proud of our A Level Results:

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Proud of Our Achievements:



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Our latest Level 3 Value Added (progress) data puts us as the leading comprehensive Post 16 provider in Rugby and one of the strongest in Warwickshire

Rugby

School	Progress Score
1) Rugby Independent School	+0.18
2) Lawrence Sheriff	+0.16
3) Rugby Free Secondary School	+0.10
4) Rugby High School	-0.20
5) Ashlawn School	-0.36
6) Bilton School	-0.40
7) Warwickshire College Group	-0.50

Warwickshire

School	Progress Score
1) Nicholas Chamberlaine School	+0.27
2) Kenilworth School	+0.19
3) Southam College	+0.18
4) Myton School	+0.14
5) Rugby Free Secondary School	+0.10
6) Aylesford School	+0.08
7) Etone College	+0.08
8) Higham Lane	0
9) North Leamington	-0.03
10) Stratford Upon Avon	-0.09
11) The Polesworth School	-0.16
12) Rugby High School	-0.20
13) St Thomas Moore	-0.24
14) Kineton High School	-0.31
15) Champion School	-0.35
16) Ashlawn School	-0.36
17) Bilton School	-0.40
18) Warwickshire College Group	-0.50

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*Arguably the most important measure of a Sixth Form is destinations. This is the percentage of students who go on to a **positive** destination after leaving the Sixth Form i.e. university, apprenticeships or employment. This is the Warwickshire league table which includes 55 schools including many Private and Grammar schools.*

School	Students progressing to education, apprenticeships or employment
1) Kineton High School	97%
2) Rugby Free Secondary School	94%
3) Lawrence Sheriff School	93%
4) Myton School	93%
5) Higham Lane School	92%
6) King Edward VI School	91%
7) Nicholas Chamberlaine School	90%
8) St Thomas Moore Catholic School	90%
9) Ashlawn School	89%
10) The Coleshill School	88%
11) The Polesworth School	88%
12) Rugby High School	88%
13) Alcester Grammar School	87%
14) King Edward VI College	87%
15) Southam College	87%
16) Kenilworth School	86%
17) Nicholas Chamberlaine School	86%
18) Stratford Upon Avon School	86%
19) Ash Green School	85%
20) Eton College	85%

Key Sixth Form Data:

- Average Grade: C+
- Vocational Average: Distinction
- ALPS Grade: 4 (Academic)
- ALPS Grade 2 (Vocational)
- Destinations: 98%
- Excellent results in: Further Maths, Sociology, Psychology, Geography, English Language, Applied Science Digital Media, Sport, Health & Social Care, Extended Project (EPQ).



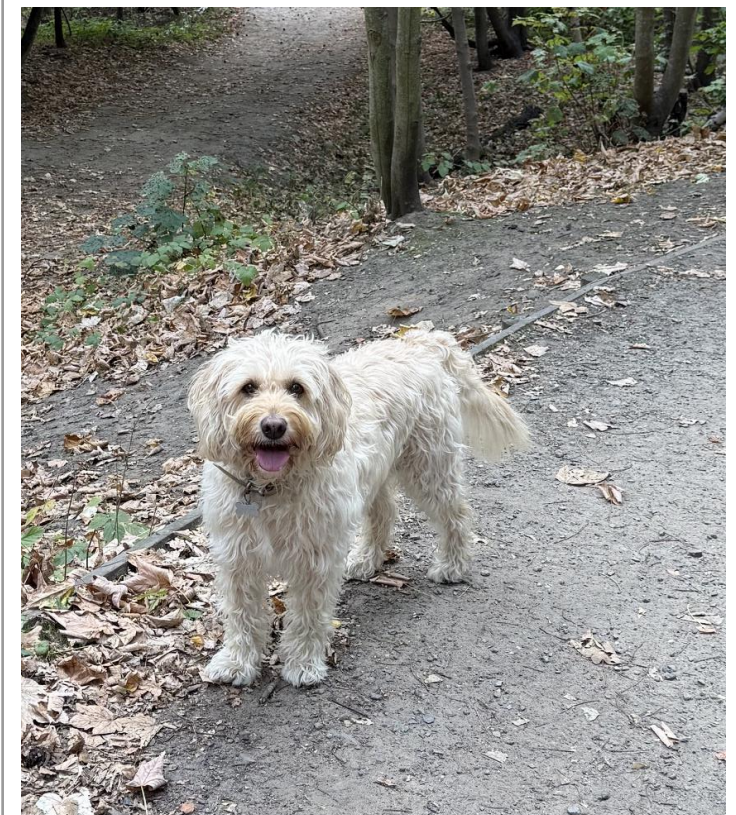
What Ofsted Said About Our Sixth Form:

- 'The curriculum is designed to prepare students for their next steps in education, employment or training.'
- 'Students typically achieve well in external examinations.'
- 'Teachers in the sixth form deliver the curriculum well. They have the subject expertise they need, check students' understanding effectively and explain new learning clearly.'
- 'Students also take part in wider opportunities, work placements and enrichment activities that prepare them well for their next steps.'
- 'Leaders ensure that students get effective career advice and guidance so they can make well-informed choices about their next steps'



Inspection report: 14 April 2026

Exceptional	
Strong standard	●
Expected standard	● ● ● ● ● ●
Needs attention	
Urgent improvement	



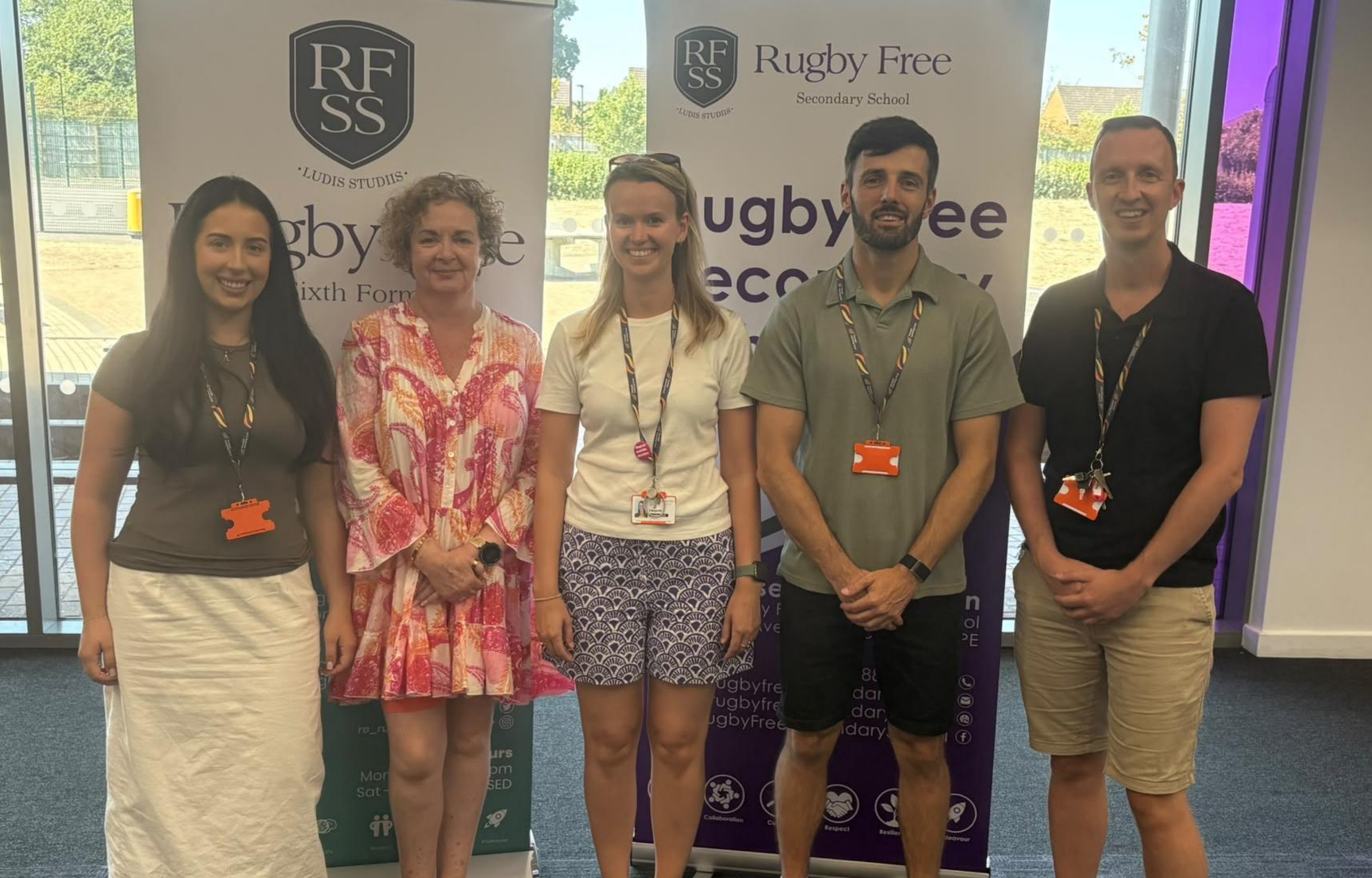
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The Sixth Form Team at RFSS:

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Your Options:

- As you may be aware, everybody must now stay in education **until the age of 18.**
- There are various different ways to do this:
- Apprenticeships
- T Levels
- A Levels
- Vocational Courses



Qualifications Explained:



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Level of Qualification:	Equivalent to:
Level 5	Level 5 qualifications are equivalent to the second year of a Bachelors Degree
Level 4	Level 4 qualifications and upwards are counted as Higher Education. L4 is equivalent to a foundation degree
Level 3	Level 3 qualifications are at an advanced level. They are equivalent to A Levels or Advanced apprenticeships
Level 2	Level 2 qualifications are at an intermediate level. They are equivalent to GCSE's

Sixth Form: What's The Difference?

- It's your first real chance to choose what you want to do. To decide your own subjects and shape your future.
- Study with people with similar interests to you.
- Taught by the best and most experienced staff in the school.
- You'll have more freedom too!



‘Free Time’:

- Up to 10 hours a week not in timetabled lessons.
- Some of this time will be structured.
- Take opportunities – enrichment, trips, careers advice, mentoring etc.
- Exam boards recommend that students complete 1 hour of study outside the classroom for every hour they do inside it.



Our Curriculum:

A Level Courses

Biology
Chemistry
Computing
Economics
EPQ
English Lang & Lit
English Literature
Further Maths
Geography
History
Mathematics
Philosophy & Ethics
Physics
Product Design
Psychology
Sociology

Vocational Courses (OCR)

Applied Science
Business
Criminology
Digital Media
Food Science
Sport
Health & Social Care

Sport and Health Social
Care are also available as
a Double Award

Level 2 Courses

GCSE Mathematics
GCSE English
Level 2 Health & Social
Care

(Subjects in yellow can be
combined with selected
other courses)

Entry Requirements:

- For almost all courses at Level 3 (Post 16 courses) a Grade 4 and above is required.
- Some courses have higher entry requirements than others.
- Students must resit GCSE English and Maths if they achieve a Grade 3 or below.
- Attendance and behaviour record must be included in references.
- We have approximately 140 places available in Year 12 next year. We are expecting applications to be competitive.



Enrichment Activities:



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Extended Project Qualification	University/careers access programmes
Further Maths	Student Council/Prefect Team
Personal Finance	Social media marketing
Academic writing	Healthy Minds group
Sports Leaders Award	Drama 360 Club
Recreational Sports	High prior attainers group
Apprenticeship & Careers Guidance	Equality club
Subject Mentoring	University subject masterclasses
Volunteering	DofE Award
Reading Buddies	Film Club
Life Skills	Change Your Mind

HPA Programme:

- Specialist programme for students with high target grades due to performance at GCSE
- Specially tailored enrichment & assemblies.
- Working in partnership with:
 - A. Social Mobility Foundation
 - B. Sutton Trust
 - C. Young Professionals
 - D. Nuffield Research Placements
 - E. University Outreach
 - F. Russell group universities



HPA & Enrichment Rationale:



- Statistics:
- Only 16% of state school students go to a top third university
- Oxbridge acceptance rate of applicants:
- Oxford = 17%
- Cambridge = 23%
- Of those – only 19% are not from top 2 socio economic backgrounds
- Competitive Courses:
- In 2025 only 29% of midwifery applicants received an offer
- Nursing 34%



Things We Offer:

- Every student will have an experienced and dedicated form tutor to guide them on their journey through post 16 education.
- They will be responsible for writing their UCAS reference in Year 13.
- Our dedicated pastoral curriculum topics such as:
 - Specialist health care assemblies
 - RFSS values
 - Rewards assemblies
 - Application support (personal statements, UCAS etc.)
 - SET for life curriculum (including religious education)
 - Independent living/finance & budgeting
 - Financial support through the Bursary fund



What Next?

- Application Deadline: Monday 14th December 2026.
- All students who apply to RFSS will be interviewed. These will take place in January 2027 and February 2027, with places offered on shortly afterwards.
- Speak to your subject teachers about Post-16 options.
- You can ask any questions through the rfss-info email.



Thank You For Listening:



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Applications are now OPEN!