

The Willink School is a comprehensive 11-18 village school with 1031 students, proud of its heritage as a Language College. This tradition continues through our status as an International School, as a centre for excellence in language teaching, and our charity work at home and abroad.

At A level, our results are in line with national averages and every year the Willink sends approximately 75% of the cohort to University with a large contingent (this year upwards of 25%) going to Russell Group universities and with record numbers going up to Oxford and Cambridge in the last 3 years.

Students are offered a range of academic qualifications at Level 3 including:

Art, Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Design and Technology, Drama, Economics, English Language, English Literature, French, Geography, German, History, ICT, Maths, Further Maths, Media, Music, Physical Education, Physics, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish and Applied Science BTEC.

The courses we offer complement and build on the knowledge and skills acquired during KS3 and 4 and facilitate progress into higher education and employment. Qualifications match the specialisms of our staff and provide for students who achieve 5 grade 4+ qualifications (or equivalent) at GCSE, though many A Levels have higher subject specific requirements. We recognise that students not achieving these results are often better suited by vocational courses which we do not have the expertise to provide, though we have offered a number of vocational opportunities (including Performing Arts and BTEC Sport) which have not been popular among the cohort.

Students in the current year 13 (76 students) were able to start with 3 or 4 subjects, with all students sitting a minimum of 3 A levels in yr13. Class sizes are generally small and AS exams are only completed in legacy specifications, although students were given the option of sitting the AS in reformed subjects too last year following individual conversations with staff.

Predicted grades are therefore based on a mixture of actual AS results, internal assessments, mock examinations and the quality of students' work throughout the course. Our UCAS guidance is personal and of excellent quality meaning 98% of students took up courses at their Universities of choice in September 2017.