



A Virtual Introduction to Kesteven and Sleaford High School

June/July 2020





Thank you for taking the time to look at our virtual open event information.

I am so sorry not to be able to meet you in person at this stage. Welcoming prospective parents and students into Kesteven and Sleaford High School is one of my favourite parts of my role. I am hugely proud of our students and they are consistently the very best advert for the school and all it has to offer.

I hope that this presentation answers some of the questions you may have. Please do have a look at our ['Day in the Life of a Year 7 KSHS student'](#) video that accompanies this event. It was planned, scripted, filmed and edited entirely by our Young Journalists club members. I hope you agree they have done a good job!

Head of School
Mrs Josephine Smith



Why Kesteven and Sleaford High School?

- Excellent atmosphere for learning with outstanding pastoral care
- Outstanding examination results
- High levels of parent satisfaction
- Well-qualified, caring and professional staff
- Progression to the Sleaford Joint Sixth Form with a choice of 'base' schools and access to the widest number of post-16 courses in any school sixth form in the county
- 'High School' students leave school as mature, confident, well-rounded individuals who are able to access courses at the best universities or the best apprenticeships and jobs



- There is a calm and purposeful atmosphere around the school. Students get on well with each other and are considerate, courteous and polite at all times
- High quality relationships between students and with their teachers contribute strongly to learning and progress
- Students are very keen to learn. Their outstanding attitudes to learning and behaviour are a key factor in their high achievement
- Students are safe and bullying is rare

Excellent
atmosphere for
learning



- Students enjoy coming to school and value what the school offers them
- Students are keen to take on responsibility and are given numerous opportunities to do so
- Sixth form students are excellent role models and make a significant contribution to the harmonious ethos of the school. They behave impeccably and support younger students in a variety of ways as well as inspiring them to aim high

[Ofsted](#)

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- 40% of all grades A*/A/7+ last year
- 96% of pupils achieved 5 or more GCSEs at grade A*/C/4+
- 96% of students achieved grades in the EBacc subjects including English, Maths, Sciences, Humanities and Modern Foreign languages
- Top 10%-20% of all schools nationally for progress

Examination Results - GCSE



- 83% grades at A*-C
- 58% of our A-level grades were at A*, A or B
- 35% of grades were at A*/A at A Level
- In the top 120 state schools nationally

Examination
Results – A Level



A rich offer of extra curricular activities are an important part of our curriculum for all students. Financial support for many activities including residentials is available



Student Well Being

The High School was one of the first schools to be awarded the **National Wellbeing Award** for schools. This means that:

- KSHS is committed to promoting and protecting positive emotional wellbeing and mental health and that KSHS has a clear vision and strategy which is communicated to all involved with the school
- We regard emotional wellbeing and mental health as the responsibility of all
- We understand the different types of emotional and mental health needs across the whole-school community and have systems in place to respond appropriately



We actively seek the ongoing participation of the whole-school community in our approach to emotional wellbeing and mental health

KSHS works in partnerships with other schools, agencies and available specialist services to support emotional wellbeing and mental health



How do I register my interest in the school?

To seek a place for your daughter at Kesteven and Sleaford High School she must first meet the standard set by the consortium of Lincolnshire Grammar Schools. She will need to sit the 11+ exam. Two assessments test potential (not just what's been learnt at primary schools) and are common across the county. Meeting the standard allows you to apply for a place for your daughter at any co-educational or girls' Grammar School in Lincolnshire. We hope it will be this one!

The following slides provide you with key dates and an email address you can use to ask us any more questions about the admissions process. We'd be happy to answer any questions



This year's test dates for pupils currently in Year 5

Most children take the 11+ in their **local primary schools**. You can check with your child's primary school whether this is the case.

Friday 18 September

Verbal Reasoning - taken in local primary schools

Friday 25 September

Non-Verbal Reasoning - taken in local primary schools

Please note the change of dates to those originally published due to Covid-19



This year's test dates for pupils currently in Year 5

If your child's primary school **doesn't** offer the chance for them to take the tests there you can register your child to take their test here in our school on the following dates:

Saturday 19 September

Verbal Reasoning – out of area students

Saturday 26 September

Non-Verbal Reasoning – out of area students

Please note the change of dates to those originally published due to Covid-19



Other key dates for pupils currently in Year 5

Results will be posted out to parents during the week commencing **19 October 2020**. This means parents will still receive their results before they have to submit their preference forms to their home local authority

Saturday 31 October

Closing date for Lincolnshire County Council Applications and for out of County Applications: Nottinghamshire LA
Leicestershire LA

Monday 1 March 2021 - Allocation of places (Online - LCC)

Tuesday 2 March - Follow up letter from KSHS (posted)



Our Admissions Policy

Our admissions policy can be found on the parents pages of the school website. We have a pupil admission number of 124 students in 2021.

It's usual that we can accommodate most students who choose KSHS and meet the 11+ standard of a score of 220.

Please contact helen.gill@kshs.uk with any admissions enquiries. Or you can find more information [here](#)



Admissions Policy Statement

In the event that more pupils qualify for a place than can be accommodated, places will be allocated for students who have reached the required standard in the 11+ selection tests as follows:

1. The Child is, or has been in the past, in the care of the Local Authority
2. The child is registered for Pupil Premium (those registered for Free School Meals at any point in the previous 6 years – not including Key Stage 1 statutory free school meals)
3. Students who, at the time of admission, have siblings at one of the schools within the Robert Carre Trust
4. Straight line distance from the home to the Academy, priority will be given to the child living closest to the Academy



Admissions Policy Statement

The School's proposed maximum number of places available for the academic year is **124**.

The number of pupils tested for places starting this September was **302** of which **139** reached the required standard.



Year 7 September - 2019

And Finally:

Please explore the school website for other information www.kshs.uk including:

- [Our prospectus](#)
- [Examination Results](#)
- [Curriculum Information](#)
- [School Trips](#) and [Clubs and Activities](#)
- Don't forget to watch the ['Day in the Life of a Year 7 KSHS student' video](#)

