



EGGLESCLIFFE
SCHOOL

PROSPECTUS
2026 - 27



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WELCOME TO EGGLESCLIFFE SCHOOL

Egglescliffe is a highly successful, inclusive school where we strive to ensure all students make exceptional progress whilst prioritising their personal development and wellbeing. We have ambitious, high expectations, ensuring that every student, regardless of their starting point, can 'Be the best they can be' through promoting ready, responsible and respectful learning habits. Consequently, we have a reputation for excellence in all that we do, and our achievements have been widely recognised, with our GCSE, vocational and A Level results being some of the best in the region.

Our students are encouraged to develop a thirst for learning through a range of exciting and challenging opportunities both within and outside the classroom. We provide a purposeful and stimulating learning environment where excellent behaviour, hard work, independence, personal responsibility and student participation are central to our high levels of achievement. We value the strong relationships between staff and students but equally we work closely with parents, carers, governors and the wider community to ensure the success of our students.

The range and quality of our extra-curricular provision is a celebrated and acknowledged strength of the school. We greatly value the importance of actively promoting extra-curricular involvement for all students and we believe invaluable life skills are developed through participation in this aspect of school life.

We aim to inspire confident learners who will thrive in an ever-changing world, equipping every student with the personal skills and aptitudes to flourish and achieve examination results of which they can be proud. We are determined to provide an outstanding education for all, to care and support individuals and stretch and challenge every student so that they achieve their very best and fulfil their aspirations.

Neil Gittins
Head of School



WHY SHOULD YOU MAKE EGGLESCLIFFE

Rated by OFSTED as

OUTSTANDING

in every category

February 2024

73% of students achieved a strong pass in GCSE English*

**based on 2025 Exam results*

9TH Best State School
In the North East and
1st In Teesside*

**The Sunday Times 2024*

95% of parents said the school helps support my child's learning*



**Parent survey - Year 11 Parents feedback 2024*

97% of year 7 parents said their child enjoys coming to school*



** Parent survey - Year 7 transition feedback 2024*

Join one of over **85** teams in over a **DOZEN** different sports.



Open to all
Year 9 and
10 students
in 2024-25

68% of students achieved a strong pass in GCSE Maths*

**based on 2025 Exam results*

71% of year 7 students take part in extra curricular activities within the first 6 weeks alone*

** Parent survey - Year 7 transition feedback 2024*

SCHOOL YOUR FIRST CHOICE? HERE'S WHY...

We're well connected.
Local links via bus,
car, train, bike
and foot



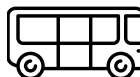
We care about
more than just your
education. We have a
dedicated **Counsellor**

All of our students have
access to **Microsoft
Office 365** for **FREE**

98% of year 7 pupils
feel safe at school*

* Parent survey - Year 7 transition feedback 2024

Almost **2** educational
visits **every
week** during
2025*



*average based on total visits



We're the **first
secondary
school** in the
Tees Valley to be
awarded **School
of Sanctuary**
status.

200 students
took advantage
of our music provision
in 2023/24



Over **20,000** books in
our school library with
access to thousands
more*

*we're part of Stockton libraries

Our students represent
over **47** different
nationalities and speak
more than **14** different
languages*

*Data collection Spring 2025

THE PEAKE BUILDING

£7.1MILLION STATE-OF- THE-ART BUILDING

The £7.1m state-of-the-art Peake building was funded by Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council. The 32-classroom block includes zero carbon technologies in the design and purpose-built facilities for art and music. The three-storey building also houses the geography, maths, RE and history departments, as well as the main school dining room. There is also a dedicated Special Educational Needs (SEND) suite.

The opening of the Peake building in Spring 2023 has been instrumental in providing a high-quality learning environment for both current and future generations of students as well as providing community facilities. The building was designed in collaboration with school leaders to ensure we could maintain some of our unique school character.

We have a long history linked to space and each of our five houses are named after leading astronauts as the school was originally opened back in 1962 at the height of the space race. Therefore, it felt appropriate to name the building after a modern day astronaut, Major Tim Peake, linking our past with our future.

We have also invested in our sports facilities with the installation of a full-size AstroTurf which is used for PE lessons, sports fixtures and by the local community outside of the school day. In 2024/25 we will extend our school field and build outdoor courts to ensure our PE facilities are outstanding.



The image shows a modern school building with a mix of materials: light-colored wood cladding, large glass windows, and grey brickwork. The building is multi-storied and has a contemporary design. The sky is blue with some clouds. On the brick wall, there is a logo that says 'ES & 6th FORM' in blue and yellow, with 'EGGESCLIFFE SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM COLLEGE' written below it in smaller white letters.

SPECIALIST FACILITIES
FOR ART AND MUSIC

NEW **FULL-SIZE**
ASTRO-TURF

DEDICATED
DINING HALL

32 TEACHING
CLASSROOMS

DESIGNED WITH
ZERO-CARBON TECHNOLOGIES

“PUPILS **FLOURISH** IN
THIS HIGHLY INCLUSIVE
ENVIRONMENT”

ES & 6TH
FORM
EGGLESCLIFFE SCHOOL
AND SIXTH FORM COLLEGE
“TEACHERS HAVE
EXCELLENT SUBJECT
KNOWLEDGE”

“PUPILS BENEFIT FROM AN
EXCEPTIONALLY **WELL-DESIGNED**
CURRICULUM”

OUTSTANDING

We are **OUTSTANDING**

We are exceptionally proud to inform you that inspectors judged the school to be outstanding in all areas following a two day Ofsted inspection that took place at Egglecliffe School & Sixth Form on 31st January and 1st February 2024. This achievement is a real testament to the dedication and hard work of our entire school community, from our outstanding teachers and staff, to our wonderful students and supportive Governors, Trustees and parents/carers.

Ofsted's recognition of our school, which is part of Vision Academy Learning Trust, reaffirms our commitment to providing the highest quality education for our students both in and outside of the classroom. It reflects the passion and commitment we have towards ensuring every child reaches their full potential and receives an excellent education. We are immensely proud of this outcome, and the report, which recognises our 'highly inclusive environment' and that students benefit from 'exceptional pastoral care' as well as a 'high-quality education which is skilfully enriched with unique and inspiring opportunities'.

“PUPILS ENJOY AN EXPANSIVE RANGE OF EXPERIENCES THAT
**BROADEN THEIR HORIZONS AND INSPIRE THEM TO ACHIEVE
AMBITIOUS GOALS**”

“PUPILS BENEFIT FROM AN **EXCEPTIONAL CURRICULUM**
THAT GOES BEYOND THE EXPECTED”

“ACROSS THE CURRICULUM, **HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION** IS SKILFULLY
ENRICHED WITH UNIQUE AND **INSPIRING OPPORTUNITIES**”

“THE SCHOOL IS **AMBITIOUS** FOR ALL PUPILS”

“PUPILS BENEFIT FROM THE SCHOOL'S DEDICATION TO PROVIDING
EXCEPTIONAL PASTORAL CARE”

Quotes from the Ofsted Inspection report published March 2024

ADMISSIONS

THE PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBER FOR YEAR 7 IS 235

The Local Authority is responsible for admissions to Egglescliffe School. If the school is oversubscribed, i.e. there are more applications for Egglescliffe School than places available, places will be allocated in accordance with the local authority policy.

This policy is included in the 'Admission to Secondary Schools 2026 booklet, which also gives more detailed definitions of the criteria. The booklet is available at <https://www.stockton.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/schools/school-admissions-and-transfers/> and in all Stockton schools and libraries.

Throughout the year we receive requests for students to join Egglescliffe in different year groups. All such transfers are dealt with by the Local Authority and the Head Teacher. Decisions concerning transfers depend upon the number of students already on roll in the requested year group.



"I COULDN'T BE HAPPIER WITH BOTH THE EXCEPTIONAL
EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE AND PASTORAL CARE"
- YEAR 7 PARENT

TRANSITION

OUTSTANDING SUPPORT FROM PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Egglescliffe School has been recognised nationally for having an outstanding transition programme to ensure all students are supported in their move from primary to secondary school. We believe that a smooth transition from Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 3 is one of our most primary roles so students can flourish from the moment they join Egglescliffe.

Our comprehensive transition programme ensures all students are well prepared for this move:

- September – open evening for parents/carers and students.
- September to May - Teachers from Egglescliffe work with a wide range of students and staff across many primary schools in the area.
- Summer term – Senior staff and Head of Year 7 visit all primary schools and meet all individual students in Year 6.
- June/July- enhanced transition experience for specific students who would benefit from additional support when moving to Egglescliffe
- July – two induction days when all Year 6 students sample life at Egglescliffe, meeting their form tutor, their tutor group and experiencing a range of lessons
- July- parent/carer evening following the transition days to welcome all parents to the school community so they have an opportunity to meet key staff and ask any questions to support their child through the transition process.



PASTORAL CARE

WE PRIDE OURSELVES ON PROVIDING POSITIVE AND PRO-ACTIVE PASTORAL CARE TO ALL STUDENTS IN ALL YEAR GROUPS.



YEAR 7-11

Year 7 students join one of our five houses when they move to Eggescliffe and will remain in that House until the end of Year 11. Our Houses are Aldrin, Armstrong, Gagarin, Lovell and Tereshkova reflecting our school history which links to the exploration of space in the 1960s.

Students join a tutor group in year 7 and remain with that tutor until year 11. This continuity facilitates a seamless transition from primary school with a consistent and trusted form tutor for students and families to build trust with.

The Heads of House work with a number of non-teaching pastoral staff who work closely with the students to ensure academically, pastorally and socially they are supported through their time at Eggescliffe.

Students will keep the same form tutor from Year 7 to Year 11. The tutor role is very important as they see students each morning for registration and teach them once a week in PSHE. They have a central role in the personal development of students, linking with subject teachers, promoting good behaviour and tracking progress. The Head of Year and Form tutors are the first points of contact for parents.

SIXTH FORM

In years 12 and 13 students move into the Sixth Form. Students are placed into new form groups, along with students from other schools, with a form tutor who has experience of guiding students through university application, alternative higher education routes or routes to employment.

- Directors of Sixth Form – Miss Crook (Pastoral) and Mrs Corner (Academic)
- Assistant Director of Sixth Form - Mrs Wilkinson



“THE QUALITY OF
TEACHING AND SUPPORT
AT EGGLESCLIFFE IS
EXCELLENT. MY SON
GENUINELY **LOVES SCHOOL**
AND IS THRIVING. THANK
YOU FOR ALL YOU DO”

- YEAR 10 PARENT



SCHOOL UNIFORM

SMARTLY
DRESSED FOR
STUDY SUCCESS

All pupils are expected to wear school uniform until they enter the Sixth Form. Our aim is to set a standard of dress and appearance which we feel is appropriate and acceptable for the school environment. The uniform is sensible, helps pupils feel that they belong to the school and it is not difficult for parents to obtain the correct items.

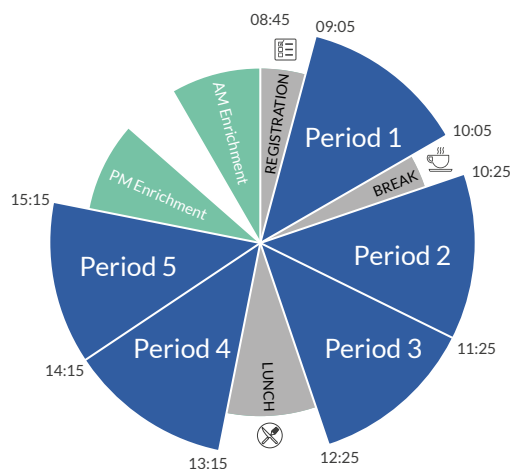
All pupils are expected to wear the school blazer and school tie. White shirts, straight legged black trousers and sensible black shoes complete the uniform. Students can wear the school kilt. The uniform is smart and ensures all students are dressed to learn.

The school operates a pre-loved uniform shop where parents/carers can obtain any branded items for a small donation.

To find out more detailed information regarding our school uniform such as where to buy it from and exactly what's needed for a school day at Egglecliffe, as well as further details on our pre-loved uniform shop, please visit our website.

THE SCHOOL DAY

STRUCTURE TO SUPPORT
PASTORAL AND
ACADEMIC SUCCESS



ENRICHMENT

A large number of our students are involved in a wide range of enrichment activities before and after school. Sport, Drama, Music, Business Enterprise, STEM, Duke of Edinburgh, charity events, revision classes and many more. We encourage all of our students to get involved with the various clubs, activities and projects to enrich their educational experience.

REGISTRATION

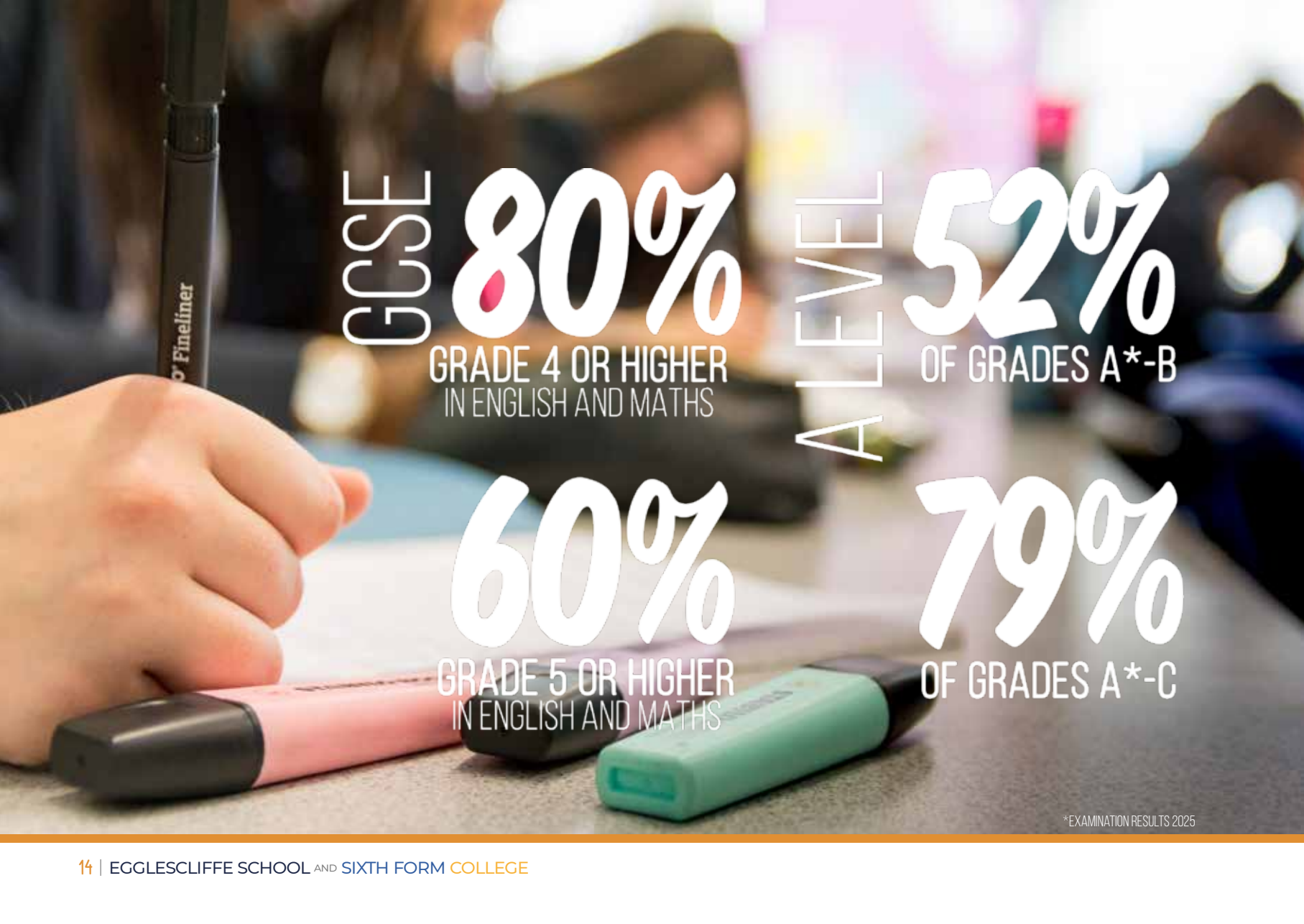
All students will register with their form tutor from 8.45 until 9.05. In this time they will be involved in developing a wide range of valuable educational experiences such as collective worship in assembly, developing literacy and numeracy skills and contributing to class discussions and debates.

LESSONS

Pupils move around the school site to their lessons. Therefore, they will need to quickly become familiar with the site and become skilled in organisation to ensure they have the correct equipment on the right days. Lessons last for one hour and all students will be actively learning; consequently they must come to school prepared to be engaged and committed to learning to maximize the progress they make.

LUNCHTIME

Egglescliffe School offers a high quality catering service. We employ our own catering staff and we have invested heavily to ensure that we deliver the best catering service for our students. The food is all prepared on the premises, using local suppliers. Menus are varied and in line with the government's drive on healthy eating.



GCSE **80%**
GRADE 4 OR HIGHER
IN ENGLISH AND MATHS

A LEVEL **52%**
OF GRADES A*-B

60%
GRADE 5 OR HIGHER
IN ENGLISH AND MATHS

79%
OF GRADES A*-C

*EXAMINATION RESULTS 2025

HOME COMMUNICATION

WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

It is very important to us to keep parents informed and celebrate both individual and school successes. The school website at www.egglescliffe.org.uk is the main source of communication for parents/carers. The website is updated regularly with key events, news stories, curriculum updates and school policies. You can also follow on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to keep up to date with school events and successes and access the school termly newsletter 'The Egg' via the website. This keeps everybody up to date with all aspects of school life.

OFFICE 365

Whilst at Egglescliffe School, each student is eligible for Office 365 which includes online programs such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote. In addition to this students can also download the **full** Office suite for use on their own personal computer.

HOME LEARNING

We believe it is important for all students to develop the capacity to work and learn on their own. Home learning is set regularly by all subject areas and published to both students and parents via the ClassCharts platform. ClassCharts enables teachers to set detailed home learning and provide support, web links, resources and video clips to make the home learning engaging, accessible and purposeful. Both parents and students are given a log-on to their own ClassCharts account so they can download the app and view home learning assignments on the Homepage. This enables parents / carers and students to see what home learning has been set, when it's due and whether it's been submitted. The app is available for both iOS and Android users to allow ease of access to the service for both parents/carers and students.

PAYMENTS

For secure payments for lunch, additional resources and trips/visits parents will be given access to Arbor, Arbor is a flexible and secure app which allows parents and carers to make online payments at any time for their child. This removes the need for children to carry cash to school.

COMMUNICATION AND REWARDS

The parent functionality of ClassCharts allows parents/ carers to access student profiles, timetables, communication notices and a behaviour overview. The app enables an excellent method of communication between the school and parents/ carers. Regular school news updates, as well as information about school trips, parents/carers' evenings, plus much more can be accessed via the app. The in-app messaging feature also allows for further communication.

Arbor also enables parents to access an overview of their child's behaviour, including sanctions and rewards. This is a crucial part of our partnership with parents and enables parents to have conversations with their child about their learning. All students from Year 7 to Year 13 can be rewarded with house points for meeting our expectations. These points are then accrued over time and students and houses are rewarded for their achievements.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

A VIBRANT LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
FROM DAWN 'TIL DUSK...



Bronze Award Practice Expedition
2018
Kildale

DRAMA

Our Drama Department is highly inclusive and offers hundreds of students the opportunity to get on stage and perform. Our whole school productions have huge casts and are extremely enjoyable. At a higher level, our GCSE and A Level students stage their examination pieces in our purpose-built 'black box' theatre.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

The DofE is a nationally and internationally recognised programme for students aged 13-25. It is highly regarded by colleges, universities, and employers who are looking for students who can demonstrate a range of transferable skills, including: self-confidence, leadership, planning and time management, problem-solving, communication, and teamwork. DofE at Eggescliffe is offered at Bronze level to Year 9 students, at Silver level to students in Year 10 students and Gold to sixth formers.

MUSIC

Eggescliffe has a national reputation as one of the most musical schools in the country. In recent years we have won national performance awards, performed at St Mark's Basilica in Venice, recorded with the Gabrieli Consort, performed at the Royal Albert Hall Schools Prom, sold out the Sage Gateshead for our 50th anniversary concert and performed Les Miserable at Middlesbrough Little Theatre. Every week, over 200 students take instrumental lessons in school and 11 ensembles rehearse, ranging from orchestra to big band jazz.

ENTERPRISE

The Enterprise team meet every week with a large number of students generating amazing ideas and then setting up their own businesses. The students compete in a number of enterprise challenges, from the Global Enterprise Challenge to the Tycoons in Schools. Students also take part in 'Tiny Traders', 'Business in a Box' and 'An event in a Day'. Being part of the Enterprise team develops many skills needed to be successful in the world of business, from risk taking to teamwork, communication and leadership.

SPORT

Eggescliffe School has an outstanding reputation for sport. Team games are very strong at Eggescliffe, including hockey, netball, cricket, football and rugby league. Every year there are significant successes in these sports in league, district, county and national competitions. Students have also won representative honours in cross-country, athletics, golf and swimming. Over 500 students are involved in competitive school teams at Eggescliffe.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

We offer a huge variety of opportunities for students to get involved in Student Leadership at Eggescliffe School. These include: Engagement, Well-being and Environment Leaders. Students take the lead on key areas of school improvement, and in the process, develop valuable skills that will not only enhance their learning, but also their future education and career prospects.

STEM

STEM Education creates critical thinkers, increases science literacy and enables the next generation of innovators. The Young Engineers Club at Egglescliffe School offers students the opportunity to learn more in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths by working alongside industry professionals to develop and strengthen skills in a vast array of Engineering disciplines. The club offers Civil Engineering projects in CAD, programming skills in robotics, building and launching rockets, F1 in Schools competition, Greenpower F24 racing cars, Drone creation, Web Design and Minecraft Servers, plus many more opportunities through engineering competitions and challenges, visiting speakers and workplace visits.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Enrichment opportunities span all areas of the curriculum. Egglescliffe School quite simply never stops. Our students have an ever increasing range of opportunities such as a wide range of STEM activities, World Challenge expeditions, Key Stage 3 History Club, Spelling Bee competitions in languages, Mock Trials in Newcastle Law Courts, Mathematics Challenge Competitions to name just a few!

LANGUAGE AMBASSADORS

The Language Ambassador scheme aims to provide pupils, who have advanced proficiency in a home language, the opportunity to celebrate, promote and use their linguistic skills as well as support others within our community. We currently have 29 different languages spoken by pupils at Egglescliffe and our Language Ambassadors are engaged in writing a newsletter, creating cultural displays, delivering assemblies, supporting EAL pupils who are less proficient in English and developing a school web page. We also intend to facilitate opportunities for our Language Ambassadors to complete a GCSE qualification in their home language, where possible, as well as gaining a Language Leader Award.



Rob Smedley - Technical
Consultant for Formula 1 and
Former Formula 1 Engineer

CAREERS PROGRAMME

PREPARATION FOR LIFE AFTER EGGLESLIFFE

Our aim is to provide a wealth of knowledge and opportunities to help inspire and enthuse our students in order for them to make informed decisions about their future.

Students across all year groups participate in a structured and comprehensive programme of Careers Education, complementing and supporting the Careers Information, Advice and Guidance provision within school. This is delivered through PSHE lessons in Years 7 to 11 and through both Enrichment activities and Tutor Groups within the Sixth Form. A progressive programme of activities from Year 7 onwards helps students to explore career paths and to manage individualised career development. Each student has their own “My Career Story” booklet which enable students to take ownership of, and reflect upon their own career plans.

In addition regular events are organised for students throughout the school year, including an annual Careers Fair, work experience opportunities in both Year 10 and Year 12, STEM related projects with local employers and training providers, Enterprise projects, Mock Interview Days, Armed Forces insight days, subject-related in school talks led by employers and colleges/universities and visits to various careers and skills events and local colleges and universities.



Work experience week 2019
Nifco

SCHOOL CURRICULUM

KEY STAGE 3

All students follow programmes of study in Mathematics, English, Science, History, Geography, Religious Education, Computing, Design and Technology, Physical Education, Art, Music and Drama. Students study one Modern Foreign Language (either French or German). A varied programme of PSHE to prepare students for life in Britain is delivered by tutors.

KEY STAGE 4

All students follow National Curriculum programmes of study to GCSE level in the following compulsory subjects: Mathematics, English (Language and Literature) and Combined Science. Students are directed to study a language based on progression at Key Stage 3. Students also opt to study three or four additional subjects from a wide range of GCSE and vocational qualifications. A varied programme of PSHE/RE to prepare students for life in Britain is delivered by tutors. For the most up to date subject offerings please check the curriculum section of our school website.

SIXTH FORM

An 11-18 environment ensures positive role models for younger students and it helps to create a more mature ethos in which hard work and high levels of achievement dominate. We are very proud of our Sixth Form students who not only perform well academically, but also add a tremendous dimension to many whole school activities. The Sixth Form curriculum is wide ranging, with over 26 A Level courses, and most students progress to Higher Education. A varied programme of PSHE to prepare students for life in Britain is delivered by tutors.



“MY DAUGHTER **LOVES ATTENDING EGGESCLIFFE SCHOOL**
AND WE FEEL VERY FORTUNATE THAT SHE GOT A
PLACE HERE, IT WILL CERTAINLY **SHAPE HER FUTURE.**”
- YEAR 11 PARENT

KEYSTAGE 4

A BROAD AND BALANCED CURRICULUM FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNERS



GCSES

GCSE's are widely available to all 14–19 students.

MAIN FEATURES OF GCSES:

- Demanding subject content developed by exam boards
- Assessment is mainly by exam with other types of assessment only used where there are essential skills to be tested (PE, Art etc.)
- Courses are designed for two years of study – no longer divided into modules with students taking all their exams at the end of the course
- A grading system 9 to 1 with 9 being the top grade. Grade 4 is regarded as a standard pass grade currently equivalent to a grade C. All GCSE subjects are graded in this way.

How are they assessed?

GCSEs are mainly assessed through written exams, although some subjects have a controlled assessment element. Some subjects like PE / Art have a larger controlled assessment element.

VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Vocational and technical qualifications are practical, work-related courses that are Level 2 equivalent to GCSE courses. Students learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace situations, activities and demands. As well as learning about the employment area they have chosen, students develop the skills to start a career.

VTQs are equivalent to a GCSE and students can progress onto post-16 courses with a combination of VTQs and GCSE qualifications.

How are they assessed?

Generally VTQs are assessed via coursework, however all VTQs have at least 25% assessed with an external exam.

CEIAG

All students are given focused Careers Education, Information and Guidance throughout their time at Egglescliffe. Each student has their own careers passport in which they document the careers advice they receive which helps to inform them about their options at both KS3 and KS4. At Egglescliffe we have our own Careers advisor, Mr Wilkinson, who supports our students in accessing more information about their chosen career pathway.

2026 GCSE OPTIONS

CORE

All students must study this suite of GCSE subjects:

English Language
English Literature
Mathematics
Combined Science (two GCSE qualifications)

EBACC

Students are encouraged to study at least two of these GCSE subjects:

French
German
History
Geography
Triple Science (Biology, Chemistry and Physics)
Computer Science

OPEN

Students are encouraged to opt for these subjects which can further develop their talents and skills:

GCSE Business Studies
GCSE Drama
GCSE DT: Electronic Design and Engineering
GCSE DT: Product Design and Engineering
GCSE DT: Textile Design
GCSE Art
GCSE Music
GCSE Physical Education
GCSE Religious Studies
Cambridge National Creative iMedia
Cambridge National Sport
Cambridge National Enterprise and Marketing
BTEC Art and Design
BTEC Hospitality
BTEC Health and Social Care
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WE'RE OUTSTANDING

A WORLD CLASS
EDUCATION ON YOUR
DOORSTEP



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STOP!



Now you've heard all about how FANTASTIC
our School is - so why not **JOIN US?!**

OR

Close the prospectus, flip it and continue reading
about our AMAZING Sixth Form College.