



ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

A MOORLANDS LEARNING TRUST ACADEMY

POST-16 OPEN EVENING 12TH NOVEMBER 2025





5 reasons to choose IGS

1. Expansive Curriculum

With over 42 subject options to choose from, with countless combinations, you can specialise in one pathway or pick subjects from a broad range of curriculums.

2. Unbeatable Enrichment

There are now over 100 enrichment and leadership opportunities to enhance your skills, explore new interests, and expand your friendship groups. Students also participate in overseas trips to locations like Rome, Paris, Berlin, and Krakow.

3. Unrivalled Teaching & Support

As a student at Ilkley Grammar school, you will be supported throughout your post-16 journey, including academic support, pastoral care, and dedicated guidance when applying to next steps.

4. Exceptional Results

We rank in the top 12% of schools in the country for progress and the top 10% for attainment last year, so you can be confident that an IGS education will set you up for success.

5. Exciting Destinations

From Oxbridge offers to training contracts at top professional services firms, and even future Norland nannies, our students make waves! Whether your goal is university, degree apprenticeship or employment, we will support you to achieve your next steps.



Our Curriculum

Our Post-16 curriculum offer is inclusive, ambitious, and diverse, providing an engaging and empowering pathway for every learner.



Computing

A-Level Computer Science, BTEC IT, BTEC Computer Game Design (proposed)



Design Technology

A-Level D&T: Product Design, A-Level Fashion & Textiles, BTEC Health and Social Care, Early Childhood Development AAQ



English

A-Level English Language, A-Level English Literature



Physical Education

A-Level PE, BTEC Sport, Level 3 Qualification in Sports Leadership



Sciences

A-Level Biology, A-Level Chemistry, A-Level Physics, BTEC Applied Science



Business & Economics

A-Level Business, BTEC Business, A-Level Economics



Creative Arts

A-Level Theatre Studies, BTEC Performing Arts (proposed), A-Level Fine Art, Arts Award Gold, A-Level Photography, A-Level Music, BTEC Media Studies



Humanities

A-Level Geography, A-Level History, A-Level Classical Civilisation, A-Level Philosophy, A-Level Religious Studies (proposed), A-Level Politics, EPQ (Extended Project Qualification)



Maths

A-Level Maths, A-Level Further Maths, A-Level Statistics (proposed), Level 3 Core Maths



Modern Foreign Languages

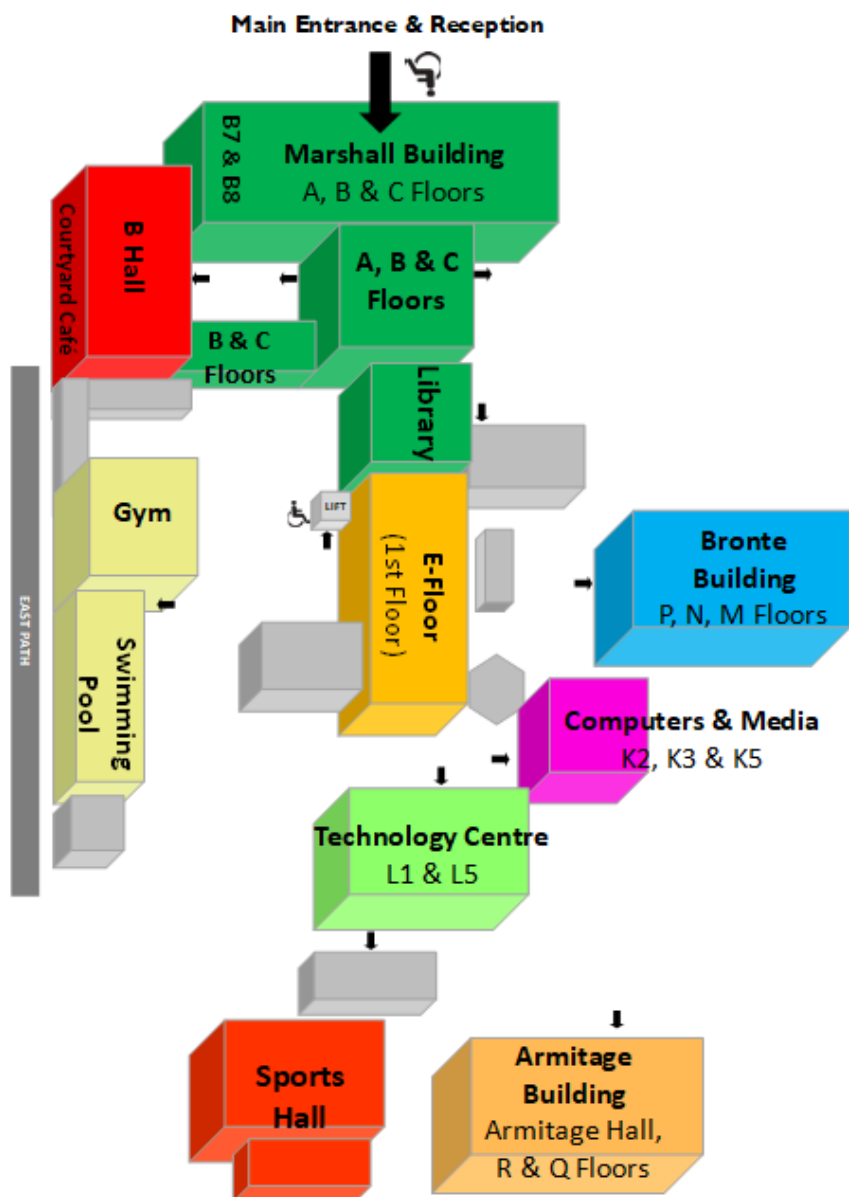
A-Level French, A-Level Spanish



Social Sciences

A-Level Law, A-Level Psychology, A-Level Sociology, PSHE

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Marshall Building

B Hall: Headteacher's Talk	<p>A presentation from Mrs Purnell, Headteacher, Mr Fox, Director of Post-16, and our Head Students.</p> <p>Talks will take place at 5.15pm, 6.00pm, 6.45pm and 7.30pm. Please attend the talk you registered for when booking your ticket. If you have not booked a talk, please let our welcome team know and we will be happy to book you into a free slot.</p>
B8: Learn about the IGS redevelopment	<p>Learn about our £52 million redevelopment, which will transform our teaching facilities during your time with us.</p>
B7 & B10: Theatre Studies Performing Arts (BTEC) (proposed) Arts Award Gold	<p>B7: Watch our Year 13 Theatre Studies students rehearsing their A Level Devised Performance.</p> <p>B10 - Meet Year 12 students and hear about their experience of studying A-Level Theatre Studies. Learn more about our BTEC Performing Arts, due to launch in September 2026, which explores the creative and practical skills needed for theatre, dance, and performance, preparing students for careers in the arts industry.</p> <p>Find out about the Arts Award, an enrichment option which challenges young people to develop their arts practice, lead an arts project, investigate topical arts issues and get involved in the arts world</p>
B13 Maths Further Maths Statistics (proposed) Level 3 Core Maths	<p>Come along to B13 to meet our Maths student ambassadors and teaching staff. Find out what the different courses entail and where this could lead in the future.</p> <p>You will also have the opportunity to find out more about our new course, A-Level Statistics, which develops students' ability to analyse data, interpret results, and apply statistical methods to solve real-world problems.</p>
A5 Photography	<p>Meet our Photography student ambassadors, see portfolios of work and meet the staff. Find out what the course entails and where this could lead in the future.</p>
A10 Art	<p>Come along to A10 to meet our Art student ambassadors, see portfolios of work and to meet the staff. Find out what the course entails and where this could lead in the future.</p>
C9 Music	<p>Come and see students working on the practical components of performance and composition. Exemplar written work and resources will be available.</p>
E1 Fashion & Textiles	<p>Year 12 students will be showcasing their talents through practical work and fashion illustration and Year 13 will be in the midst of their final project, where you can view their Non-Exam Assessment. Come and ask about the exciting opportunities you will have and discover more about the course content.</p>
E3 Health and Social Care Early Childhood Development	<p>Are you interested in how physical health and mental well-being are interlinked? Come and explore the practical methods used in the Health and Social Care sector to promote an individual's health and well-being. You'll have the opportunity to speak to teachers, students, see coursework, and discuss the compulsory and optional units.</p> <p>You can also learn about our AAQ in Early Childhood Development, which focuses on nurturing young children's cognitive, emotional, social, and physical growth during their formative years.</p>

Bronte Building

P1 Psychology	<p>Are you interested in the causes of human behaviour and how the mind works? Come and speak to teachers and current students who are enthusiastic and dedicated to Psychology. Take a look at examples of student work, find out about Psychology and Psychology-related career options, and have a go at some activities to gain an insight into the types of research and theories you could study at A level.</p>
P2 Philosophy Religious Studies (proposed)	<p>What makes something right or wrong? Can we ever truly know anything? Is the mind more than the brain? Does God exist and if so, what could that mean for us? Philosophy is your chance to grapple with the deepest questions about knowledge, reality, and morality the questions that don't have easy answers but shape how we see the world. Through debate, analysis, and critical discussion, you'll learn to think with clarity, argue with precision, and challenge ideas with confidence. Philosophy will stretch your intellect, sharpen your reasoning, and develop skills that set you apart wherever your future takes you.</p> <p>Learn about A-Level Religious Studies, which focuses on the study of religious beliefs, ethics, and their impact on society, often examining specific faith traditions alongside moral and theological debates.</p>
P4 Law	<p>Studying Law gives students an understanding of the role of Law in today's society and raises their awareness of the rights and responsibilities of individuals. By learning about legal rules and how and why they apply to real life, students also develop their analytical ability, decision making, critical thinking and problem-solving skills. All these skills are highly sought after by higher education and employers.</p>
P6 Sociology	<p>Do you question what goes on in society? Come along to find out more about how society influences the people in it and discuss this fascinating subject with staff and current A level students.</p>
P7 Biology	<p>Come along to P7 to find out what topics you will study in Biology from gene technology, transport systems of the human body, to investigating biodiversity. You can meet some of our current students to talk about their experience of the course and meet the teaching staff who will be able to answer your questions about the course.</p>
P10 Chemistry Applied Science	<p>A chance to look around a typical A level Chemistry laboratory and find out about the structure and content of this facilitating subject from the teachers and current pupils. There will be opportunities to ask questions and see some students conducting the type of practicals that they will be assessed on in their final exam.</p> <p>Find out more about Applied Science, an excellent course to prepare students for practical careers in science and allied medical health roles. Find out about the modules studied and how the AAQ facilitates next steps.</p>
N3 French Spanish (Possible overflow room N5)	<p>Come and find out what makes language learners enjoy and relish in the love of language and word. Discover the experiences we offer to grow students' cultural capital in both French & Spanish, helping them to become citizens of the world. You can converse with our 6th form students to get a first-hand feel as to what makes language learning so enjoyable. You can also view a selection of resources, books and pictures from our many exchanges and languages events. Members of the team will share news of our links with prestigious universities, and of talks that we arrange, as well as convince you why language learning at IGS is a fun and unique experience.</p>
N8 Politics	<p>Chat with current students about their experiences of studying Politics. Test your knowledge of past and present figures in politics. Brush up on your understanding of current affairs.</p>
M6 Geography	<p>Amazed by the world we live in? Come along to Geography and see what its all about, speak to staff and current A-Level students and find out about the topics we study and information about fieldwork and trips.</p>
M8 History Classical Civilisation	<p>Come and find out what you can study in A Level History. Find out what topics and issues you will study and understand the requirements of A Level History. The A Level History course helps to explain the modern world, developing your understanding of both modern Britain and the events that have shaped European history.</p> <p>Classical Civilisation is your opportunity to discover the fascinating ancient worlds of Greece and Rome. Explore the epics of Homer and Virgil, discover the vexed relationship between Greece and Persia in the art and literature or Greece and explore the collapse of the Roman Republic through the writing of Cicero.</p>
M11 Physics (Possible overflow room M10)	<p>See some typical experiments, written tasks and support materials for A level Physics. Teachers and students will be available to talk to about the course, its requirements, pressures and what makes it such a fascinating and relevant subject.</p>

Armitage Building, L & K Blocks

<p>R1 & R2 English Literature</p> <p>English Language</p>	<p>English Literature: Come and find out what students, who are passionate about reading, enjoy about the wide variety of texts studied in their English Literature lessons. You can chat with our teachers and our 6th form students to find out what it is like to study this subject at A-Level and to see what they enjoy about the course. Take a look at the texts which we study and examples of students' work to get a feel for what you would be covering in your lessons and where this subject could take you.</p> <p>English Language is a great course if you enjoy creative writing and closely analysing texts. The course introduces you to a wide range of new linguistic terminology to apply to your study of literary and non-literary texts. Come along to talk to teachers and students about out what the course entails and find out how it differs from Literature A-level.</p>
<p>R7 A-Level PE</p> <p>Sport (BTEC)</p> <p>Level 3 Qualification in Sports Leadership</p> <p>Elite Sports Pathway (football/golf) (proposed)</p>	<p>Come and meet our dedicated PE teachers and elite students who are passionate about health, fitness, and performance. Learn how our A-level and BTEC Sport courses develop not only physical competence but also a deep understanding of the science and psychology behind sporting success. Explore examples of student work showcasing the wide range of topics studied – including anatomy and physiology, skill acquisition, sports psychology, and the socio-cultural influences on sport. Discover how our students apply theoretical knowledge to real-life sporting situations to enhance both performance and understanding.</p> <p>Take part in our Golf Putting Challenge, designed to test your ability to control arousal levels and maintain focus under pressure – a key concept explored in sport psychology. Put your composure to the test for the chance to win a prize!</p> <p>Finally, browse through current exam papers and coursework examples to gain an insight into the academic rigour and practical engagement that make our PE department one of the most dynamic and successful in the school.</p>
<p>Q1 Business</p> <p>Business (BTEC)</p>	<p>Find out why Business is a top choice amongst our Post 16 students. Meet with current Business students and discuss their experiences. What do they enjoy? Why do they recommend the subject? Speak to staff about what we study and where Business can take you.</p> <p>Speak with current BTEC Business students and find out the differences between BTEC and A-Level Business.</p>
<p>Q3 Economics</p>	<p>Learn more about A-Level Economics and how it helps students understand how real-world markets, governments, and global economies work. Through studying Economics, you will develop critical thinking, data analysis, and problem-solving skills valued by top universities and employers. Meet with current pupils and discuss their experiences of the subject and where it is taking them, and hear about exciting careers in finance, business, law, and public policy.</p>
<p>L1 & L5 Product Design</p>	<p>Please join us in the L1 workshop where we have our exciting Y12 and Y13 projects on display, including the industry lead One Sheet Challenge, and creative coursework outcomes. You can take a journey through the design and manufacturing skills, processes and creative learning throughout the two years, alongside our extensive core knowledge curriculum learning about all aspect of Product Design. Our CAD suite, in L5, will be open to see current Y13 pupils working on their NEA coursework, where you can view our laser cutter, 3D printers and large plotter.</p>
<p>K2 Computer Science</p> <p>Digital Games Production (BTEC) (proposed)</p>	<p>Ever wanted to create an app, game or more traditional computer program? Our Computer Science students are on hand to show you how.</p> <p>Find out more about BTEC Digital Games Production, due to launch in September, which teaches practical skills in game development, coding, and creative design. It prepares students for careers in the gaming industry, from programming to animation and game art.</p>
<p>K3 IT (BTEC)</p>	<p>Ever wanted to design your own website, karaoke DVD, touch screen presentation or manage a business's social media account? Our IT students are on hand to show you how.</p>
<p>K5 Digital Media Studies</p>	<p>Year 12 students are experimenting with creative techniques for short films they are currently producing. Come along, ask them questions and if you're feeling brave you could even appear in one of their videos! You will also be able to see some of the amazing work done by previous students.</p>

Armitage Hall

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Inclusive Learning	Inclusive Learning: The team will be on hand to answer questions about our provision for Post-16 pupils with SEN at IGS.
Personal Development:	Personal Development: Find out about our unique 8 strand Personal Development Curriculum (a web of experiences) and how we support the personal development, as well as the academic development, of students.
Student Leadership & Influence	Student Leadership Team (SLT): Have a chat with our student leaders in year 13. Find out what IGS at Post-16 is really like for students. What leadership opportunities are there?
Scholarship & Curiosity	Academic Enrichment: Find out about what academic enrichment opportunities you can access and how we develop study skills in PBT
EPQ, Next Steps, Destinations & Work Experience	EPQ: Find out what benefits can come from doing a personally selected research project. Research practically any topic of interest and present your findings. A great opportunity to develop higher-level research skills.
PSHE & tutor time	Next Steps, Work Experience, Destinations & Work Experience: Talk to a member of our expert work experience team to find out how we can support you to gain valuable work placements in career areas of your choice and secure the destination of your choice.
Respect, Equality & Diversity	PSHE, Personal Best Time, tutor time and assemblies: Find out about study skills, planning for your future, mental health and RSHE education
Health & Wellbeing	RED: Learn more about our Respect, Equality & Diversity curriculum, which is intertwined with our Personal Best and our School Values.
Trips & Visits	Trips & Visits: Find out more about the incredible trips that our Year 12 students take during Challenge & Celebration Week. From Paris to Berlin, and Krakow to Rome, our students get to explore cities which compliments their academic and expands their cultural perspectives.
Pastoral Support	Pastoral Support: Find out about what pastoral support is available for students who need it, including our in-house counselling service.
Academic support	Academic Support: Speak to our Student Achievement Managers about our graduated approach to study and how we help students develop independence.
Post-16 Q&A	Post-16 Q&A: Have all your questions answered by speaking to students, our Post-16 Pastoral Manager and other members of the Post-16 team.
11-12 Transition	11-12 Transition: Speak to Year 13 students who joined IGS from other schools about what we do to ensure smooth transition arrangements for students new to IGS.
	The café will also be open for visitors to taste samples from the menu.

Results & Destinations

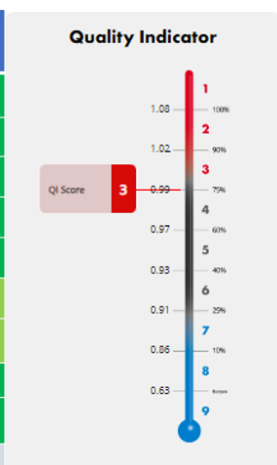
In 2025, our results were outstanding in terms of both attainment and progress.

12.5% of grades were A*, 32.6% of grades were A*/A, 60.2% A*-B and 80.1% at C or above, all of which are well above national benchmarks and our highly successful 2019 pre-Pandemic outcomes.

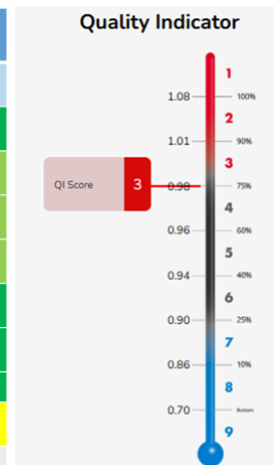
22.8% of students in scope achieved AAB in 2 or more facilitating subjects. This academic foundation creates real opportunities for our students, many of whom have progressed to varied and exciting destinations including Oxbridge, LSE, St Andrews and Russell Group universities to study competitive courses such as medicine, law, dentistry, engineering, and veterinary science.

In 2024 & 2025, our ALPS grade was 3, placing IGS in the top 12% of schools nationally for progress, and top 10% for attainment at A-Level.

	2023/24 (National)
Students in scope	254
A*%	12.4% (9.3%)
A* - A%	34.3% (27.6)
A* - B%	64.5% (53.6)
A* - C%	84.7% (76.0)
Pass rate%	98.7% (97.1)
%AAB in 2+ FAC subjects	21.0%
Best 3 A-Level	39.3(B)
APS per A level entry	38.3 (B)
L3VA	+0.22



	2024/5 (National)
Students in scope	251
A*%	12.5% (9.4%)
A* - A%	32.8% (28%)
A* - B%	60.7% (55%)
A* - C%	80.5% (77.9%)
Pass rate%	98.8% (97%)
%AAB in 2+ FAC subjects	24.3%
Best 3 A-Level	39.4 (B)
APS per A level entry	37.8 (B-)
L3VA	0.00



Over the last 8 years, 64 students have progressed to Oxbridge, including 8 students in 2025. Last year, 73% of students progressed to university, with 48% of IGS university applicants securing places at Russell Group universities.

Travelling to Ilkley

Every year, Ilkley Grammar School proudly welcomes students from across the local area, including Burley-in-Wharfedale, Menston, Guiseley, Skipton, Keighley, and Bradford. Excellent transport links make travelling to Ilkley simple and reliable, whether by train, bus, or car. Travelling with friends makes the commute a fun and social part of the school experience. Wherever you're coming from, getting to IGS is safe and straightforward.

From	Suggested route	Typical time
Burley-in-Wharfedale	Direct train from Burley-in-Wharfedale to Ilkley	~10 mins
Bradford Forster Square	Direct train from Forster Square to Ilkley	~31 mins
Bradford Frizinghall	Direct train from Frizinghall to Ilkley	~28 mins
Grassington	Bus provided by Ilkley Grammar School	~35 mins
Guiseley	Direct train from Guiseley to Ilkley	~14 mins
Keighley	Bus service from Keighley to Ilkley	~40 mins
Menston	Direct train from Menston to Ilkley	~13 mins
Otley	Bus service from Otley to Ilkley	~28 mins
Skipton	Bus service from Skipton to Ilkley	~30 mins

Joining us from Skipton?

Each year, we have a large cohort of students from Skipton. We are currently researching the possibility of offering a school bus from Skipton. If you may be interested, please complete this form.





Next Steps



Create an account- **Opens
November 12th**



Start your application



You can edit and revisit
whenever you want. Submit
by February 3rd



Make your taster day
choices



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