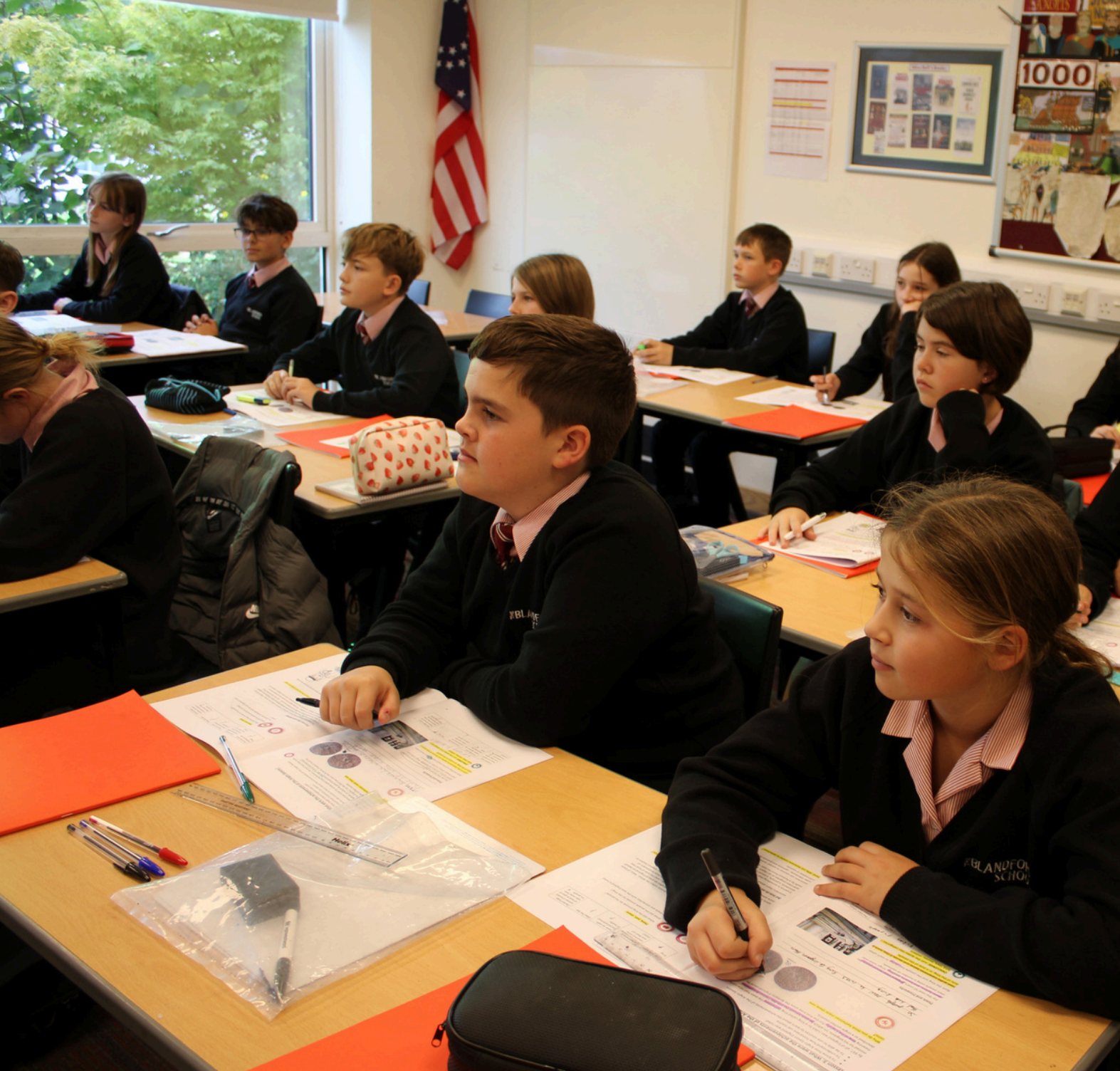




Job Application Pack



The Blandford School

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OFSTED Report 2024



THE BLANDFORD SCHOOL

Respect | Effort | Attitude | Perseverance



Thank you for your interest in joining The Blandford School.



We are a vibrant and inclusive 11-18 maintained comprehensive school. The school's core values of REAP (respect, effort, attitude, perseverance) underpin all aspects of school life.

The Blandford School was rated Good by Ofsted in April 2024, with inspectors acknowledging the school's commitment to delivering high-quality education for all students while addressing any challenges they may encounter. Our Sixth Form performance currently places us in the top 1% of schools across the country; the result of the outstanding progress our students made over the past three years.

Rooted in the heart of Dorset, we are proud to serve our community and provide an ambitious learning environment where students and staff have a strong sense of belonging.

We look forward to your application.

The Full Governing Board





Our Values

- **R**espect - ensure we are polite, well-mannered and respect the rights we all have
- **E**ffort - challenge ourselves, be ambitious and do our best
- **A**ttitude - have a positive attitude in every situation
- **P**erseverance - show resilience and determination

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:

- significant previous experience in a Personal Assistant or secretarial role
- experience of managing staff
- effective and developed interpersonal skills
- excellent organisational skills
- knowledge and experience of a range of ICT software applications, including Microsoft Office.

PERSONAL QUALITIES:

- loyal and resilient
- calm in a pressurised environment
- able to show initiative and be solution focused
- excellent interpersonal skills; ambassadorial
- committed to maintaining confidentiality
- a good sense of humour.

Local Extracurricular Visits 2024





The Blandford School Sixth Form

The Blandford School Sixth Form is a high-performing and close-knit community, recognised in the top 1% of UK schools for value added, with an ALPS 3 Year T-score grade of 1 and a top 10% award for 2024 results. Small class sizes and personalised support enable students to achieve outstanding outcomes, whether pursuing vocational training, apprenticeships, or places at top universities, including Oxbridge.

Our Sixth Form curriculum includes a one-year Level 2 programme and a two-year Level 3 programme, offering both A Level and vocational courses. Through strong partnerships with universities, employers, and external organisations, we provide students with the skills and opportunities essential for success. As a vital part of the school's commitment to excellence, the Sixth Form provides an inspiring environment for growth and innovation under forward-thinking leadership.



Sports Day 2024



The Addams Family 2023



National Netball Tournament 2024



How to Apply

If you share our ambition and would like to join our dedicated team of professionals, we would love to hear from you.

To apply go to either:

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/>

<https://blandfordschool.org.uk/>

Your application must include:

- full contact details (address, telephone numbers and email address)
- details of two referees, including their name, position, organisation, telephone number and email address. One referee must be your current or most recent employer. If you do not wish us to contact referees at this stage, please make this clear in your application.

Submitting Your Application

Please send completed applications to: aphillips@blandfordschool.org.uk.

For further details or to request an informal discussion, please contact: dempson@blandfordschool.org.uk

Important Information

The Blandford School is committed to equal opportunities employment and to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Any offer of employment will be subject to:

- a satisfactory DBS Enhanced Disclosure
- acceptable references
- additional safeguarding checks, including online searches, in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) guidance.



The Blandford School HALL OF FAME



Maisy Allen

England Rugby Player

**From The Blandford School
to Rugby Glory**

Maisy Allen, a proud former student of The Blandford School, has made her mark in international rugby. After leaving TBS, she studied at Hartpury College, played for Gloucester-Hartpury, and represented England U18s. Later, she moved to Exeter, where she earned a degree in Sports and Exercise Science while captaining the England U20s and making her World Series debut with the England 7s squad. Now entering her fourth season with Exeter Chiefs, Maisy has earned 51 caps and two Premiership Cup titles.

Her advice to TBS students: *"Set goals, embrace challenges, and understand your purpose. It's okay not to have all the answers, but keep pushing forward, even on the toughest days."*

The Blandford School HALL OF FAME



Faisal Giwa

2nd Year PhD Student in Chemistry at
the University of Manchester

**From The Blandford School to Pioneering
Synthetic Biology Research**

Faisal Giwa credits The Blandford School as the foundation of his scientific journey, inspired by his biology and chemistry teachers to pursue a STEM career. After earning an MSci in Biochemistry from the University of Bristol, he discovered his passion for synthetic biology—designing artificial biological systems—and translational science, focusing on real-world applications. This led to an MRes in Synthetic Biology at Imperial College London and his current PhD programme at the University of Manchester, where he is engineering bacteria to produce spider silk-inspired materials.

Faisal's advice to students is simple: *"I just do not believe there are things that I cannot do."* His journey shows the power of ambition and perseverance in achieving groundbreaking work.