

Highbury Grove Sixth Form Destinations 2016

1. Context

1.1 UCAS

The 2016 UCAS application process opened in September 2015 for Highbury Grove students. As is now our established best practice, the Highbury Grove deadline was brought forward to the October half-term for all students (except those applying for Oxbridge, Medicine and Dentistry who met the published 15 October deadline) ensuring that early entry application relieved pressure and did not have a detrimental effect on A2 course study. This continues to prove a successful modification to the process and this year the majority of students met the deadline, a number submitting their applications well ahead of the in-school deadline and all students submitting before the end of the autumn term.

1.2 Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG)

Admissions Tutors from a number of diverse universities including King's College London, Hertfordshire and Cambridge University were invited to visit the school to share information, advice and guidance at a UCAS Information Evening for Year 12 students and their parents. All Year 12 students attended the UK University Search Fair held at the Emirates Stadium. Assemblies for Year 12 into Year 13 students focused on the application process and tutor time sessions focused on the elements of the process and the writing of the personal statement in particular. This was delivered with the close support and supervision of the Directors of Studies for both Year 12 and Year 13.

Year 12 into Year 13 tutors were also provided with guidance ensuring that they were familiar with the process and could support students knowledgeably and confidently. The guidance included exemplar tutor statements ensuring consistency in approach.

Highbury Grove once again subscribed to Unifrog – a complete Destinations platform that supports the applications of all students to Apprenticeships, Further Education and Universities. The Sixth Form Team also made use of the Unifrog applications for reference writing. A Unifrog representative visited the Sixth Form, the students and the tutors, on a number of occasions to ensure all were confident and able to make the best use of the service Unifrog provides. Unifrog were additionally represented at the Information Evening for parents. In the summer term, post examinations, a UCAS Conference was held for all Year 12 students. The day opened with a speaker from the University of Bristol admissions team who spoke on

personal statements. This was followed by a Uni-frog presentation before students spent the day in workshops familiarising themselves with the process.

Most students attended University Taster Days and a range of Open Days in preparation for application. Particularly popular were the University of London taster sessions that opened in January 2016. Students attended a range of workshops, lectures and seminars in areas of interest.

The Student Finance Team made a visit to the school in November and again attended the Year 13 Parents' Evening, running drop-in sessions throughout the evening for interested parents. This was well-received.

The Access Project worked closely with students to support the UCAS application process. This included support for the writing of personal statements and sessions on making appropriate choices. The Access Project supported the monitoring of progress with fortnightly application checks. Throughout the year, our AP Officer delivered assemblies on the UCAS process and met with students individually in the lead up to deadline day. Once applications had been submitted there was additional support for those students called to interview and mock interviews were secured for Oxbridge candidates. The Access Project also played an important role during our UCAS Conference, delivering workshops on all aspects of university applications. Support from the Access Project helped two students to secure highly competitive places on a week-long Sutton Trust Summer School in Edinburgh and a UNIQ Summer School with the University of Oxford.

The Sixth Form team also worked closely with the Local Authority and a number of sessions were delivered exploring the possibility of Apprenticeships. There was an initial assembly to provide information and direction and this were followed up by 4 week tailored programmes for interested students. This format ran twice – once for Y12 and once for Y13 and students could select and were referred. These sessions were delivered by the Youth Employment and Apprenticeships Manager from the Local Authority. In addition the Sixth Form hosted two *Professional Conversations* workshops where students were given the opportunity to meet with individuals from a diverse range of professions to discuss applications, interview skills and CVs.

2. Destinations

2.1 UCAS Apply 2016

97% of Year 13 students applied to university and 96% of applicants were successful in taking up their places following the publication of their results. The majority of students were accepted by their Firm or their Insurance institution and our students have gained places at diverse universities, both traditional and new, with a number from the Russell Group.

This year saw a broad range of courses applied for and taken up. Computer Science and IT related courses were very popular, reflecting the success of the

Cambridge Technical L3 programme. A rich mix of subjects were chosen by our BTEC Level 3 Art students who have gone on to study Illustration, Fine Art and Illustration, 3D Animation and Games, Fashion and Photography. This is a testament to the breadth of experience these students are exposed to over the two year course and the confidence it gives them. Business and Economics related courses remain popular.

It is interesting to note the predominance of applications to London based universities. 57% of the university places accepted were in the Greater London area – in part an indication perhaps of the increased financial pressures on students and families.

Of those students who did not take up a place at university, two were accepted onto Apprenticeship programmes – one with Fenwicks and one with the Step Forward Apprenticeship Programme. One student took up a place at The Royal College of Music and another has decided to re sit an A Level and reapply through UCAS for 2017 entry.

UCAS Applicant Status Report 3 2016 entry (05/09/2016)

Highbury Grove (11925)

Sex	Date of Birth	App Scheme Code	Inst Code	Institution Name	Course	Course Placed	Year of Entry
F	17-APR-97	UC02	H36	HERTFORDSHIRE	B230	Pharmacy	2016
F	30-MAY-98	UC01	B84	BRUNEL	LLH2	Politics and Sociology	2016
F	07-FEB-98	UC01	S27	SOUTHAMPTON	L260	Politics and International Relations	2016
M	07-DEC-96	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	PG94	Computer Networks and Communications	2016
M	19-SEP-96	UC01	C85	COVENTRY	LN11	International Economics and Trade	2016
M	02-AUG-98	UC01	B84	BRUNEL	G402	Computer Science	2016
M	31-AUG-97	UC01	S93	SWANSEA	B1B8	Healthcare Science (Cardiac Physiology)	2016
M	17-FEB-98	UC01	C10	CANTERBURY	G400	Computing	2016
M	17-MAY-98	UC01	U80	UCL	P1N1	Information Management for Business	2016
M	02-OCT-97	UC01	K24	KENT	F305	Physics with a foundation year (4 years)	2016
F	25-NOV-96	UC01	N38	NORTHAMPTON	N500	Marketing Management	2016
F	12-OCT-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	NFY4	Marketing with Foundation Year	2016
M	17-FEB-98	UC01	B84	BRUNEL	G402	Computer Science	2016
M	03-OCT-97	UC01	S18	SHEFFIELD	L100	Economics	2016
M	10-JUN-97	UC01	E28	EAST LONDON	C110	Human Biology	2016
F	07-DEC-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	NFY4	Marketing with Foundation Year	2016
M	10-JUL-98	UC01	B84	BRUNEL	G402	Computer Science	2016
M	21-JUN-98	UC01	G70	GREENWICH	G400	Computer Science	2016
F	15-AUG-98	UC01	U65	UAL	W224	Illustration	2016
F	18-DEC-97	UC01	A60	ANGLIA RUSKIN	C800	Psychology	2016
M	27-OCT-97	UC01	B50	BOURNEMOUTH	I120	Computer Networks	2016
M	04-DEC-96	UC01	L79	LOUGHBOROUGH	L100	Economics	2016
M	27-MAY-98	UC01	A60	ANGLIA RUSKIN	C800	Psychology	2016
M	03-FEB-98	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	G402	Computer Science	2016
F	18-SEP-97	UC01	W05	WESTMINSTER	W642	Photography	2016

F	01-JAN-98	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	N900	Business Management	2016
M	05-FEB-97	UC01	L23	LEEDS	B821	Radiography	2016
F	07-MAY-98	UC01	B25	BIRMINGHAM CITY	M1MG	Law with Business Law	2016
M	08-APR-98	UC01	S09	SOAS	L100	Economics	2016
M	17-OCT-96	UC02	K60	KCL	A101	Extended Medical Degree Programme (6 years)	2016
F	12-NOV-97	UC01	K24	KENT	V500	Philosophy	2017
F	21-MAR-97	UC01	B84	BRUNEL	Q300	English	2016
M	08-JUN-97	UC01	C60	CITY	G400	Computer Science	2016
F	19-JUN-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	B740	Nursing (Adult)	2016
M	24-JUN-98	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	NFY6	Business Management with Foundation Year	2016
F	23-JUL-98	UC01				Not placed	
F	31-JAN-97	UC01	S85	SURREY	G668	English Literature with Creative Writing.	2016
M	03-JAN-98	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	N900	Business Management	2016
F	29-MAR-98	UC01	Y50	YORK	V500	Philosophy	2016
F	30-DEC-97	UC01	U65	UAL	W462	Theatre and Screen : Theatre Design	2016
F	29-MAY-98	UC01	C85	COVENTRY	WN25	Fashion	2016
M	22-AUG-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	WP15	3D Animation and Games	2016
M	10-DEC-96	UC01	L23	LEEDS	W150	Fine Art	2016
M	12-AUG-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	N420	Accounting and Finance	2016
M	09-APR-97	UC01	C60	CITY	G400	Computer Science	2017
M	30-JUL-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	N1FY	Accounting and Finance with Foundation Year	2016
M	26-SEP-96	UC02	M80	MIDDLESEX	N420	Accounting and Finance	2016
M	15-NOV-95	UC01	A80	ASTON	N500	Marketing	2016
F	12-SEP-97	UC01	S09	SOAS	T600	Middle Eastern Studies	2016
F	16-JUL-97	UC01	L34	LEICESTER	V308	History of Art	2017
M	18-MAY-98	UC01				Not placed	
M	28-JAN-98	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	G505	Business Information Systems	2016
M	28-SEP-97	UC01	E28	EAST LONDON	K101	Architectural Design Technology	2016
M	26-OCT-97	UC01				Completely Withdrawn	
M	30-JUL-97	UC01	H36	HERTFORDSHIRE	M1V5	Law/Philosophy (Joint Honours)	2016
M	30-JUL-98	UC01	O66	OXFORD BROOKES	C100	Biology	2016
M	22-APR-98	UC01	K12	KEELE	F103	Chemistry with Science Foundation Year	2016
M	21-AUG-97	UC02	K84	KINGSTON	G693	Games Technology with Professional Placement	2016
M	18-NOV-97	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	NP53	Advertising, Public Relations and Media	2017
M	16-JUN-97	UC01	P80	PORTSMOUTH	M1NC	Law with Business	2016
F	11-OCT-97	UC01	Q50	QMUL	G100	Mathematics	2016
M	05-DEC-96	UC01	H36	HERTFORDSHIRE	H408	Aerospace Engineering (Extended)	2016
F	05-AUG-97	UC01				Not placed	
F	20-JAN-98	UC01	C60	CITY	M100	Law	2016
M	14-OCT-97	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	N900	Business Management	2016
M	31-DEC-97	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	N900	Business Management	2016
M	11-AUG-98	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	NN25	Business Management (Marketing)	2016
F	22-DEC-97	UC01	C85	COVENTRY	WWC2	Fine Art and Illustration	2016
M	16-NOV-96	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	N390	Banking and Finance	2016
M	15-JUN-98	UC01	W50	WESTMINSTER	N120	International Business	2016
F	26-JUL-98	UC01	M80	MIDDLESEX	W251	Interior Design	2016
M	05-MAR-98	UC01	B94	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	N202	Business Management	2016

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