



WOODBRIDGE
SCHOOL

A LEVEL CASE STUDIES 2025

A portrait of a young woman with long blonde hair, smiling. The name 'Charlotte' is written in large, red, cursive script across the image.

Charlotte

A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Chemistry, Maths and Biology

NEXT STEPS

I'm going to study Medicine at Oxford.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

I've been lucky enough to take part in lots of different activities at Woodbridge. I am co-captain of the Netball First Team, and enjoy using the new gym. I have taken my Grade 7 Singing and have been a part of the School's Chamber Choir. I've also enjoyed being part of Student Support, completing Gold DofE, and taking part in the school play when I was in Lower School.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

I've really enjoyed being able to learn about my subjects in so much more detail compared to GCSEs. Because there's more time per subject and small class sizes, there's a lot more scope to follow your interest in the lessons as opposed to having to strictly follow the specification, which is one of the reasons I've enjoyed A levels and allowed me to develop my interest in the subjects.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

I would definitely recommend choosing subjects you enjoy, because not only will that transpire to a much more enjoyable two years, but it will also probably lead to better grades because you are more likely to want to do extra work and revision will be a lot easier. I would also say to make the most of all the opportunities at Woodbridge. There is undoubtedly a big workload with A levels but make sure to take part in extra activities as well whether that's Sport or Drama or Music; that's probably what I've enjoyed most over the last two years.

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Finlay

A LEVEL SUBJECTS

English, Spanish and Drama

NEXT STEPS

Spanish and English at Edinburgh University.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

Co-curricular is Woodbridge School's middle name and why the School has such a strong community feel; the clubs and societies connect students and staff alike. Always having enjoyed supporting people, I have contributed heavily to the school's Student Support group which aids other students with their needs, whether big or small. Added to this, I have participated in numerous plays and productions most recently *Frankenstein*, something which has really helped my confidence over the last few years, especially given the extremely supportive Drama team. Not only have the Drama department provided performance opportunities, but also backstage opportunities too – particularly on the Friday Afternoon Seckford Scheme and on field days in the School's Seckford Theatre. I would never have developed such a passion for singing without Woodbridge.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

The best part of studying for A levels, has been the continued support of the teachers around me. It feels like I have really built up a rapport with all of them and this has truly aided me access all the help I need in my subjects. Trust is so important; and what can go wrong if you simply trust the teachers around you? This connection with the staff has helped me feel so comfortable in School and eliminated any worries I've ever had inside and outside lessons.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

It will be SO worth it. Never do you feel neglected or ignored, discouraged or dumbfounded. It is such a supportive caring atmosphere where everyone is intricately connected in some way or the other. Whatever your aspiration, it is never questioned by anyone. Teachers in Sixth Form are not teachers but facilitators, colleagues – you have the responsibility and that is integral.

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Georgie

A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics with an EPQ

NEXT STEPS

Biology at Oxford.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

In my time at Woodbridge, I have had the opportunity to take part in such a wide range of co-curricular activities. I have very much enjoyed taking part in Model United Nations, Student Support, *Grease the Musical*, Chemistry Society, Hockey, and Shakespeare on the Lawn. And for my Seckford Scheme activity, I have loved being part of the RAF, volunteering at a special educational needs school and visiting the Prep School. Nowadays, I particularly love Netball, playing it both in School and for a club.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

The smaller class sizes offered by A levels means that you have a really individual experience where you can easily access your teacher's wealth in knowledge. This has been invaluable, not only in improving my understanding of the subject but also helping me to really enjoy my studies. My teachers have gone above and beyond to give me as much of their time and support as possible which I am extremely grateful for.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

To those considering studying A levels I would strongly encourage them to firstly pick the subjects they enjoy the most – having a passion for a subject in most cases really does translate to better grades, and secondly once you start them try to remain curious, ask the teacher lots of questions, they love when students are passionate about what they teach so make the most of it. And to anyone considering studying at Woodbridge School I would absolutely recommend it, Woodbridge offers a brilliant standard of education and a plethora of exciting extra-curriculars but alongside this is an amazing community to be a part of. Whether you join in Year 12 or have been here since Reception Woodbridge is a really friendly place where anyone can thrive. No matter what you are passionate about you can excel in it at Woodbridge or discover something entirely different.

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Millie

A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Art, English Literature and Psychology

NEXT STEPS

I am planning on taking a gap year and travelling, then starting University in September 2026, studying Psychology.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

Being a part of the School Hockey first team has been a huge part of my School experience, taking up the role of captaincy was also a huge part of my School life. I completed my Bronze DofE which was an adventure in the rain and wind! I have also taken on the role of a sports leader, organising team activities, motivating my peers, and helping to develop teamwork and sportsmanship among young children. I have also become the head of Year 7 as a lower School prefect and have really enjoyed this role, mentoring the new students and supporting them throughout the year.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

I have really enjoyed the relationships that I have formed with my teachers and classmates throughout the two years of studying here, all the teaching and support staff are so lovely and comforting and have really made my Sixth Form experience enjoyable. I really enjoyed researching my EPQ on 'The effects of the menstrual cycle on female athletes' and all the skills that I learnt with the project.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

Woodbridge School offers a supportive and inspiring environment for A level studies, with excellent teachers who genuinely care about students' success. The small class sizes and great facilities help create a focused learning experience while still allowing for a well-balanced school life. I would definitely recommend!

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Phoebe

A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Spanish, English and Drama

NEXT STEPS

University of Bristol to study English and Spanish.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

Lots of Music groups including Chamber Choir, Chorum, Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra, Swing Band, and Saxophone Ensemble.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

The overall Sixth Form environment is so enjoyable, and the space we have allows us to connect with the other Sixth Form year group. I have loved being able to learn in more detail, and have really enjoyed the independence and freedom we are given with our subjects, especially with coursework, which has allowed me to discover the things I am most passionate about.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

I think that Woodbridge fosters a really encouraging learning environment, both within the lower years and the Sixth Form. Both the teachers and the Heads of Sixth Form dedicate so much time to ensuring that not only are the students reaching their academic potential, but also prioritise their mental well-being and overall happiness.

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Rose

A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Art, Drama and English

NEXT STEPS

I am hoping to take a gap year, working abroad or travelling. After my gap year I will either study English and Drama at Bristol University or find an apprenticeship in Costume Design.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

I was a part of the First Team Girl's Hockey team. I have participated in all Drama performances; *Jack Absolute Flies Again*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Frankenstein* etc. I am part of Chamber Choir and Chorum and have been a part of the Insight exhibition put on by the Art department.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

I have enjoyed the extent to which teachers have gone to secure the best opportunities within the subject to further my understanding. The support from both subject teachers and staff in all areas of Sixth Form life and how they have expertly helped us navigate these very formative years. Grades are important but so is passion and interest and this is what has been instilled in me and why I think Woodbridge creates the best learning environment.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

A levels are a great way to explore different subject routes and help make decisions about your next steps after school. It also provides you a community that understands the challenges that you face in the next two years. With one of our key themes within the School being Community, Woodbridge is the perfect environment to learn and grow not just as students, but individuals.

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Violetta



A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Spanish, French, Art and Italian

NEXT STEPS

Spanish and Arabic at either Edinburgh University or St Andrews for a course with a year abroad in an Arab speaking country.

WHAT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DID YOU TAKE PART IN?

I started in the equivalent of West Tones at the time and then joined the Chamber Choir and Chorum. In Years 7 to 9 I had flute lessons and played in Concert Band and Jazz Band as well as the flute group. I then began singing lessons and I'm now about to take my Grade 8 Singing. Over my time at Woodbridge I have participated in teams for Hockey, Netball and Cricket senior teams. I have enjoyed the Art clubs and have taken part in the life drawing lessons. I have taken part in the musicals in my years at Woodbridge, taking part in the *Wizard of Oz* in Year 7, doing tech and costume alterations for *Grease* in Year 9 and having a principle singing part for *Little Shop of Horrors*. I took part in Young Enterprise in Year 12 as a creative director and social media director. Finally, I have really enjoyed being in the RAF and my Bronze, Silver and Gold DofE.

WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE?

I have loved the relationship you build with your class and teachers. There is a sense of mutual respect, and you are treated like an adult. I have found all my lessons engaging and interesting, and I had the time of my life on my Salamanca trip with the School in Year 12.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THOSE CONSIDERING STUDYING A LEVELS AT WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL?

I think picking schools is always about gut feeling; the feeling that you get when you enter the school. I will never forget the feeling I had the first time I walked into Woodbridge School, it felt like being part of a huge family and it made me feel so safe and lifted a weight off my shoulders. I believe this helped me massively when picking my A levels because ultimately no matter what I picked I knew that I had a team of people who would help me. I think my best advice would be to meet the teachers and you will be quick to realise how easy to talk to and honest the staff at Woodbridge are, not to mention the fantastic facilities and space we have.

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