HERSCHEL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Summary of Subject-Specific Entry Requirements
for Entry 2027
(at November 2027)

In addition to the General Entry Requirements, you will need to achieve the following:

A Level Subject	Minimum Entry Requirements at GCSE
Biology	Grade 7 in Biology **or** grades 8-7 in Combined Science, and at least a Grade 6 in Maths
Business*	Grade 6 in Maths **and** English Language or Literature, plus Grade 6 in Business Studies or Economics if taken
Chemistry	Grade 7 in Chemistry **or** grades 8-7 in Combined Science. A Grade 6 or above in Maths is also desirable
Computer Science	Grade 7 in Maths and 6 in English or Literature **and** 7 in Computer Science if taken
D&T: Product Design	Grade 6 in GCSE Design & Technology. Strong candidates who have not studied DT GCSE **and** who can show a portfolio of relevant work may be considered
Drama & Theatre Studies	Grade 6 in Drama. If Drama not taken at GCSE a Grade 6 in English Language or Literature
Economics*	Grade 6 in Maths **and** English Language or Literature, plus Grade 6 in Business Studies or Economics if taken.*
English Literature	Grade 6 in **both** English Language **and** Literature.
Geography	Grade 6 in Geography (NB. Requirement for residential fieldwork).
Government & Politics	Grade 6 in English Language **or** Literature, **and** Grade 6 in a humanities subject (Geography, History or RS).
History	Grade 6 in History if taken. Strong candidates who have not studied GCSE History may be considered.
Mathematics	Grade 7 in Maths (Higher Tier).
Further Maths**	Grade 8 in Maths (Higher Tier). Also see below**.
Media Studies	Grade 6 in English Language **or** Literature, plus Grade 6 in Media Studies if taken.
Physical Education	Grade 6 in PE if taken **or** Grade 6 in Biology **or** 6-6 in Combined Science. Participation in a competitive sport inside or outside school.
Physics	Grade 7 in Physics or Grades 8-7 in Combined Science, **and** at least Grade 7 in Maths. Studying A Level Maths is also highly recommended.
Psychology	Grade 6 in Maths **and** English Language or Literature, **and** Grade 6 in Biology/ 6-6 in Combined Science

*Business and Economics are NOT permitted as a subject combination

Further Maths will need to be a **fourth subject and is only available to those who have also chosen to study A Level Mathematics.

Enrichment Block:

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)	Grade 6 in English Language plus the ability to work independently on a project and meet deadlines.

Students benefit from participation in the **Year 12 Enrichment Block** alongside their A Level studies. This involves a weekly Wellbeing lesson (that includes sport) as well as the option to study the Extended Project Qualification – see information in the subject profiles. This programme helps you cope with the wider demands of Sixth Form study and prepares you for a life at university and beyond.