

Scott Medical and Healthcare College Prospectus



For September entry into Year 9 and Year 12



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"Scott Medical and Healthcare College specialises in the Medical and Healthcare sector. A specialised curriculum, alongside a multitude of enrichment activities, prepares our students to work within their chosen sectors, be that through a university, apprenticeship, or alternative further training route.

We hold high expectations of our whole community and as such ensure students develop both academic and personal skill-sets required for their chosen career. We believe that students attending Scott Medical and Healthcare College have a better chance of success than those attending elsewhere."

Karen Merricks
Head of School



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Welcome to Scott Medical and Healthcare College

We welcome you to Scott Medical and Healthcare College. A small 14-19 College in Plymouth. First and foremost we exist to give children an exceptional educational experience. Getting great GCSE and A Level outcomes is a given at the school, through expert specialist teaching, a tailored curriculum, and relevant vocational opportunities. We mix traditional high expectations for all, with top class support to ensure every child reaches their potential.

By attending Scott College we believe you will have a greater chance of success in whichever field you wish to work in. Having said that we do specialise in the healthcare sector and we particularly encourage applications from students wishing to progress into this sector.

We have exceptional links within the sector to ensure all our students have essential work experience and prioritise this by timetabling it into students' school days. We also provide a broad range of speakers to work with our young people to widen their understanding of the different routes into the healthcare sector. We have a large number of aspirant doctors and surgeons and ensure that we provide the very

best support for these young people through the highly competitive application process, BMAT and UCAT preparation, UCAS support and trial interviews to give our students the very best chance of success.

Finally we value the wider education of every child and have a broad programme of character development opportunities including international travel and adventurous trips to give students experiences in line with the best schools in the country.

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"Pupils at this school receive a high-quality education. Many achieve exceptionally well. Regardless of background or need, the school ensures that the majority of pupils meet its high expectations, both in terms of their conduct and their academic success. The school is calm and orderly, and most pupils attend happily. Staff teach this curriculum skilfully and effectively."

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What makes Scott College the right choice for you

Our college provides a new approach to learning, blending traditional teaching with work experience opportunities enabling you to gain the skills that our professional partners are looking for. Joining us makes sense if you plan to pursue a career in medicine and the healthcare sectors.

Each of our year groups has 50 students. Small schools like ours combine traditional teaching with our 'futures' program of sector activities and opportunities. Your learning will be rooted in the real world, which helps you develop the skills and experience you need to flourish in life and work.

Guided by local healthcare employers, we offer a range of academic and vocational qualifications at Levels 2 and 3. These include GCSEs in English, Maths, Chemistry, Physics and Biology and the new BTEC Tech awards in Health and Social Care and Sports Science at Key Stage 4, as well as a selection of option subjects.

At Key Stage 5 we offer Advanced Levels and Level 3 Vocational qualifications to accelerate our students into the university courses and careers of their choice.

Crucially, we offer time for work placements and curriculum collapse days linked directly to employment opportunities in the medical and healthcare sector.

You will gain a broad range of employability and life skills with us at Scott College, including first aid skills and qualifications. We expect our students to progress on to university, further training, apprenticeship and into employment after completing their studies with us, as all of our students thus far have done.



"Optometry and Audiology are very rewarding professional careers with many opportunities in the South West to make a very real difference to lives of patients. I am very excited to support Scott College in bringing these important health career options to the next generation of local Eye Care Practitioners, (Optometrists and Dispensing Opticians), Audiologists and the associated support teams."

Dr Josie Forte
Head of Enhanced Optical Services
Professional Advancement

Specsavers



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Our links with local employers help you become work-ready

Our Higher and Extended Project Qualifications work to accelerate your learning across the curriculum by developing skills such as independent research, presentation skills, listening skills and working in small teams - just the sort of skills our employment partners tell us you need.

Being professional

Students are exposed to a wide range of healthcare professionals from day one, and can see what it means to work in medicine first-hand from doctors, dentists, midwives, nurses and many more. Our masterclasses allow students to understand the wide range of roles available to them when they leave, what the career offers, and how to get there, which is essential.

We also encourage students to complete voluntary work towards their Duke of Edinburgh Award, such as supporting after school activities in local primary schools or taking part in work placements in healthcare settings.

Masterclasses this year may include:

Allied Health Day
Occupational Therapy
ODPs
Adult Nursing
Mental Health Nursing
Surgeon
Midwifery
Physiotherapy
Paramedic
Cardiac Physiology
Access to the Medical Mavericks platform covering professions such as Haematology, Vascular Science, Ophthalmic Science, Medical engineer, Respiratory Physiology and Neurophysiology.

Trips and Visits:

We the Curious, Science Exploration - Bristol
Eden Project - Medicinal Plants
Operating Theatre Live
Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Awards
The Houses of Parliament - London
Paramedic Society Talk
Proud to Care events
Dementia Friends Training
Articulatory project for Year 9s
NHS Practitioner Study Day at UHP NHS Trust
Period Poverty workshop

What will I learn?

Key Stage 4 Curriculum – Years 9 to 11

You will follow a programme of learning, combining the national curriculum, personal and health education, spiritual, moral and social education and vocational expertise with many opportunities to link these to medicine and healthcare.

You will study:

Core subjects

- Mathematics
- Statistics
- English Language
- English Literature
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics

Three option subjects

These will be useful and relevant to you in entering further education or a career in the health industry. These include; Health and Social Care, Child Development, Psychology, French, Spanish, Sport Science, History, and Geography. The courses on offer are a mix of GCSE and Level 2 Tech Awards vocational qualifications.

All students and staff will obtain a full First Aid qualification during their time with us. Students can also obtain additional certification in other courses, such as Sports Leaders Award, Patient Customer Service Training Course, Restarting a Heart Training, Mentoring and Counselling as well as taking part in a number of additional programmes of study as part of the Healthy Lifestyles programme, which includes healthy eating, self-esteem and socialisation, sexual health and mindfulness.

Healthy Lifestyles

You will learn about Healthy Lifestyles – which will include group and individual healthcare programmes such as Personal Fitness, Healthy Relationships, Mental Health, Mindfulness, Nutritional Planning and Resilience.

Preparation for Adult Life - You will also complete a combination of work readiness classes, work placements, visits and attend employer masterclasses as well as personal finance, C.V. writing, Duke of Edinburgh and study skills.

“The school has planned an ambitious and unique curriculum. When pupils join in Year 9, they study a strong academic core of subjects alongside introductory courses in psychology, childcare and health studies. In key stages 3 and 4, pupils learn highly effectively. Staff have excellent subject knowledge. They explain concepts clearly and frequently check that pupils have understood. Staff ensure that pupils have opportunities to deepen their understanding and to demonstrate this both orally and in writing.”

Sixth Form Options

You can follow one of three pathways:

- A Level Pathway
- Professional Pathway
- Health Sciences Pathway, Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma, Practical Vocational Courses.

A Level Pathway

A more traditional A Level route, in preparation for university courses such as medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, optometry, dietetics, radiography and medical sciences, as well as a full range of other A Level subjects.

Professional Pathway

A bespoke route that suits the needs of the students. It can consist of two traditional A Levels and a single vocational BTEC, or three single vocational BTEC subjects. The Professionals Pathway provides students with the possibility of designing a curriculum that can lead into a multitude of careers. It teaches students the transferable skills of time management and prioritisation as deadlines within subjects will vary throughout the year.

Health Sciences Pathway

Studying for a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care/ Health Studies.

This is a vocational route based mainly on regularly assessed coursework with four examined units. This pathway prepares students for university courses and apprenticeships in all types of nursing, midwifery and paramedic study and is equivalent to three A levels.

Scott College students who studied for the Extended Diploma in Health Studies are now studying at universities across the UK for careers in paramedicine, midwifery, nursing, radiography, and social and youth work among others.

You will study four examined units: Human Lifespan Development, Working in Health and Social Care, Anatomy and Physiology and Research Methods, and will have a further 13 units of coursework assessed study including psychology in health, microbiology, public health, caring for patients with dementia, and a unit based on the evaluation of your work placement.

This pathway gives you a great understanding of the health and social care sector and is an excellent route into a diverse range of careers.



Other experiences and training

- You might also take part in a number of additional programmes of study as part of your healthy lifestyles programme, which could include ethical guidelines in health and mindfulness
- You will complete work placements or experience during KS5
- You will have regular contact with employers through master classes and project work and map your employability skills through work placement review and reflection.

Additional curriculum provision

Students will engage in a range of activities to ensure that the components of social, moral, spiritual and citizenship education are covered including topics like Ethics and Health in The News.

UCAT - The UK Clinical Aptitude Test is a prerequisite for any school leaver applying for medicine and dentistry at university. We know it's vital that students are given the time and expertise to ensure they are prepared for these. This year our dentists and medics from Year 12 had expert training sessions delivered by The Medic Portal, backed by the Royal Society of Medicine.

BMAT - The BioMedical Admissions Test is a prerequisite for entry into biomedical courses at Oxbridge and Russell Group universities. We provide opportunities for students wishing to apply to these highly competitive establishments.



The school's curriculum is well designed. Staff teach this curriculum skilfully and effectively. Many pupils, and students in the sixth form, value learning about medical and healthcare professions, both within the academic curriculum and through wider development opportunities.

Many pupils pursue courses and careers in these professions, inspired by activities such as 'Operation Live' and the school's links with the NHS. They are well prepared for the next stage of their education."

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Qualifications that will help you stand out

Higher Project Qualification Level 2 - Key Stage 4 (Year 9) Extended Project Qualification Level 3 - Key Stage 5 (Year 12/13)

The Pearson Extended Project Qualifications are designed to allow students to investigate and write up their own research project in a field of medicine and healthcare of their choosing. The projects work in a similar way to a dissertation style project at university and gives students an excellent in depth understanding of an area of medicine of their choosing.

Students are taught how to research, reference, give an effective presentation and are required to:

- Select and identify a question or brief which specifies an intended project outcome.
- Produce a plan for how they will deliver their intended outcome.
- Conduct research into the project brief, using appropriate techniques.
- Develop the intended outcome using selected tools and techniques safely.
- Demonstrate the capacity to see a project through to completion.
- Share the outcome of the project, including a review of their own learning and performance with others, using appropriate communication methods.

The EPQ is elective and perfect for students in Year 12 and 13 who want to add some sparkle to their UCAS application. University tutors really value the EPQ in applicants as it shows independence of thought, dedication to completing a fully self driven project and enables the student to become very knowledgeable in an area of a course they may wish to apply for.

The EPQ is worth an AS Level and carries UCAS points. These can help students obtain a reduced offer of a place at University.





“The school provides opportunities to enrich students’ learning by attending talks and workshops.

Pupils develop an awareness of topical issues through the school’s ‘Futures Curriculum’. They enjoy opportunities to discuss and debate ideas centred around medical ethics.

The school has an extensive careers programme. As a result, pupils have a good knowledge of different careers and how to access them. Students in the sixth form are well prepared when applying to university.”

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The 'Futures' Curriculum

Preparing our students for potential careers in the medical and healthcare industry is at the heart of what we do at Scott College. To help ensure that all of our students are as prepared for this as they can be, and to ensure that students have access to a wide range of experiences throughout their time at school, all will complete our 'Futures' curriculum which sits alongside our academic curriculum.

The Futures curriculum prepares our students for future careers in the industry. With over 300 careers available in the NHS alone we do not limit ourselves just to future medics!

As part of The Futures curriculum students can expect:

- Medical ethics/Medicine in the news - 20 mins daily exploring the medical and healthcare industry. This includes interviews, Ted Talks, films and articles produced by industry professionals that examine all aspects of medicine and medical ethics. In addition, we look at current medical articles in the news.
- Termly hands on workshops and practical skills days to further explore potential career choices and options
- Every student (and staff member) will leave Scott College with a certificated First Aid qualification
- A varied guest speaker programme of industry professionals (including a number of former students)

- Group workshop activities on topics such as healthy lifestyles and mental health
- Regular visits and residential trips
- Career advice, often from actual industry professionals, ensuring our students are armed with as much information as possible about future career choices
- A varied selection of after school clubs and activities, not just limited to healthcare, but also to broaden our interest and experiences.

Although medicine and healthcare is fundamental to what we do at Scott College, it is not the only aspect of the Futures curriculum. Students have opportunities to take part in a range of activities and experiences through their time at Scott Medical College, for example enjoying residential trips and theatre visits, watching live sporting events, respecting the environment, or being members of the student council or student leadership team. We feel that having access to these life experiences is just as important as academic success.



“The need for this provision from an employment, health and economic point of view is something which is long overdue in the city. We are looking forward to being part of shaping the learning of young people planning careers in the health service.”

Greg Dix

Former Director of Nursing
Plymouth NHS Hospitals Trust
Founding Chair of Scott College Board of Governors



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The right connections

With Scott College you are connected to the best healthcare specialists and jobs in the region.

The medical, social care and healthcare sector is one of the largest employers in the South West and the demand for skilled entrants into employment will continue to grow. The involvement of our excellent healthcare partners goes well beyond the work-related learning or work experience offered by traditional education.

Our partners are actively involved in ensuring our curriculum meets the skills needed for the jobs in this sector, now and in the future.

Employers and universities are deeply involved in everything we do. From helping to create innovative learning projects, offering realistic and appropriate work placements, delivering masterclasses and mentoring our students to sitting on our board of governors – all directly linked to enabling our students to access the much in demand, well paid, local employment opportunities available to them.

Scott Medical and Healthcare College is part of the Greenshaw Learning Trust.



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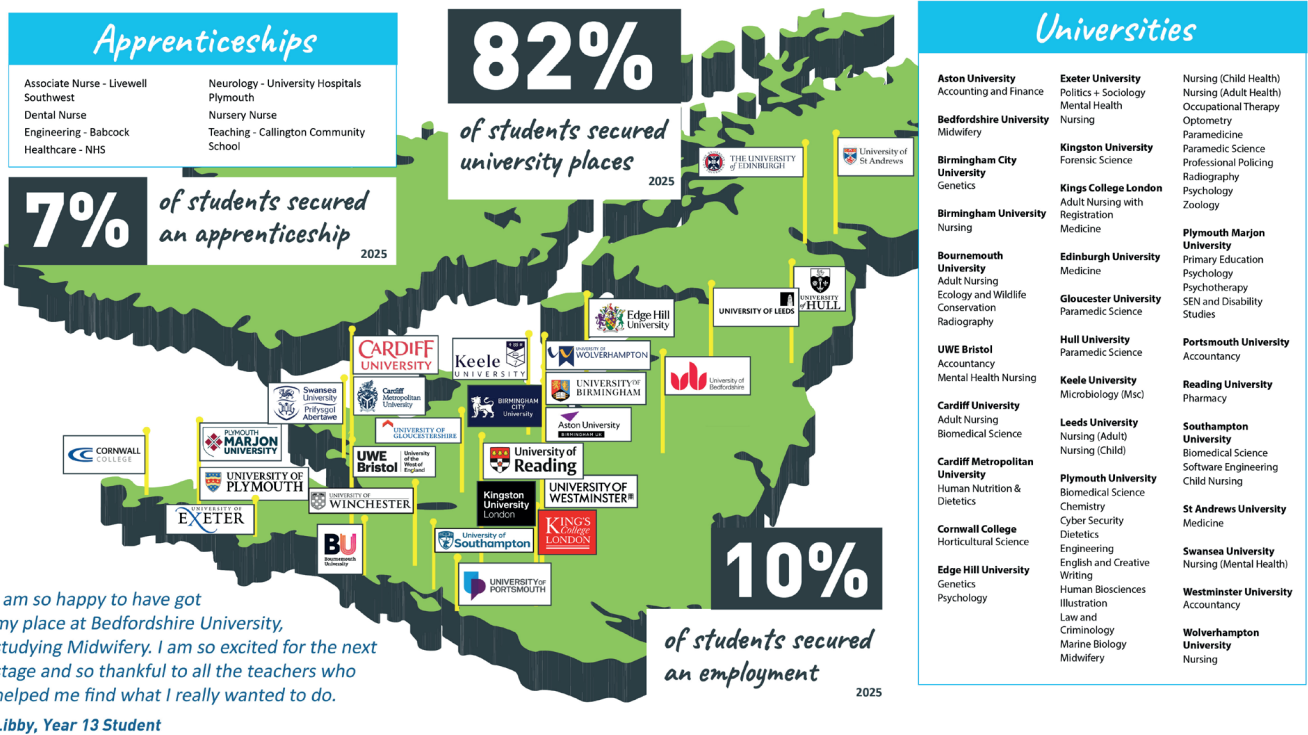


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STUDENT DESTINATIONS MAP

Through being at Scott College, I found my love for Biomedical Science through guest speakers and workshops. I'm so pleased I got the grades to secure my place at Plymouth University.
Crystal, Year 13 Student



I am so happy to have got my place at Bedfordshire University, studying Midwifery. I am so excited for the next stage and so thankful to all the teachers who helped me find what I really wanted to do.
Libby, Year 13 Student



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Scott College students are going places

In the workplace

Sixth form students will complete regular work placements during the duration of their healthcare pathway course. We timetable to allow our sixth form students to go out on work placement one day a week, from the winter term of year 12 to the autumn term of year 13.

We will support students to be work placement ready through a planned series of training events covering many of the important skills and certificates employers need before students can become fully involved in the workplace.

Key Stage 4 students get the opportunity to write CVs, learn skills for the workplace and in Year 10 undertake a week long work placement.

After Scott College

We have ambitious aspirations for you and in your final year of study you will have masterclasses on preparing your CV and interview practice with our employment and higher education partners.

Whether you plan to go to university, employment or to begin an apprenticeship, you will get the best support. University applicants will have personal statement support from across higher education institutions and will have the ability to sit in on lectures and tutorials to ease the transition into Higher Education, wherever you plan to study.

We hold application-writing workshops with our employment partners to support your job applications to find work. Our partners also offer a range of mock interviews and feedback sessions to polish your interview skills.

Apprentices will be assisted by our partners in your application for, and choice of, places. If you are thinking of going into an apprenticeship, you will have considerable and invaluable experience of the world of work assisting you to be successful in gaining an apprenticeship.



How to apply

"Every day is an Open Day!"

You can visit the college on any school day.

To make an appointment call 01752 987010
or email info@sdcc-smhc.net

For entry into Year 9:

You will need to complete an application form and send it to your local authority. There is a coordinated admissions process in England with exchange of information between Local Authorities. This means you must apply to your home Local Authority.

Please let us know by email at info@sdcc-smhc.net if you do make an application so that we can make sure we invite you to our Get to Know You events which are fun and informative events where you will meet staff, fellow students and meet industry experts, in preparation for joining us in September.

In accordance with the School Admissions Code 2022, the Greenshaw Learning Trust consulted on the admission arrangements for Scott Medical College. The admission arrangements for entry can be found on our website.

For entry into Year 12:

If you are interested in joining our sixth form please fill in our online application form which can be found on our website.

We recommend potential Sixth Form students attend one of our interactive and informative open events. You will be able to tour the college, meet staff and fellow students and find out more about life at Scott College.

If you miss our open events, we can arrange a suitable time where you can come and tour the school and have a one-to-one discussion with a member of staff.

Entry grades for our Post-16 pathways are as follows:

Health Science Pathway - 5 GCSE Grade 4s including Maths and English

Advanced Level Pathway - 5 GCSEs Grade 5s including 6s in the subjects you would like to study (where appropriate).

For more information or to book a tour please contact us: 01752 987010 info@sdcc-smhc.net

For information on admissions to Greenshaw Learning Trust School Visit our website



Uniform

Students at Scott Medical and Healthcare College are on the path to careers in some of the most competitive professions possible. In these careers, complying with uniform codes and practices is essential. Scott College uniform was selected by our students to:

- Be Smart
- Be Identifiable
- Give students pride in what they wear.
- Represent the College positively to our community to and from college.

Further details around our school uniform and dress code can be found on our website.

College day

7.45 - 8.15am Breakfast Club in canteen

8:30 am Gates Open

8:40 am Line Up / Homework check / 'Futures' Curriculum / Assembly

9:15 am Period 1

10:10 am Period 2

11:05 am Break

11:35 am Period 3

12:30 pm Period 4

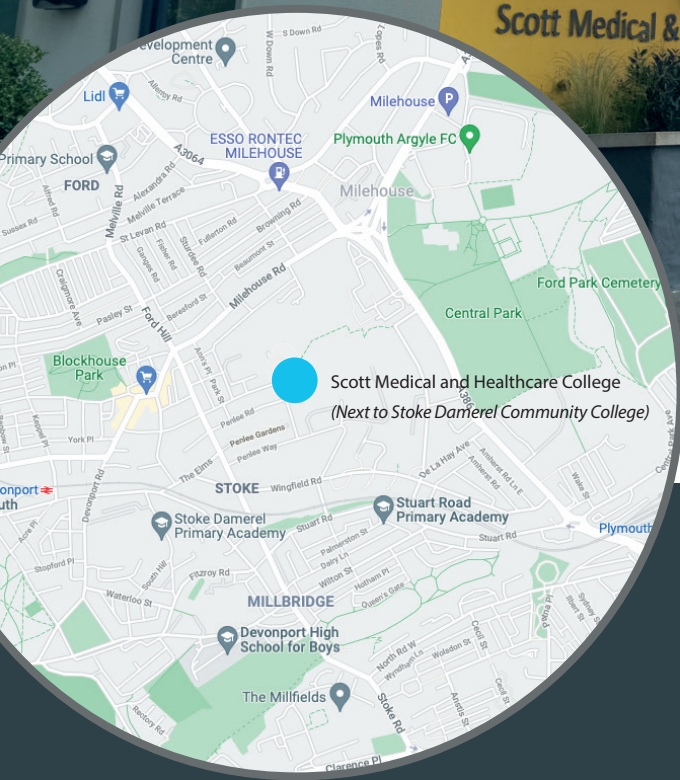
13:25 pm Lunch

13:55 pm Period 5

14:50 pm Tutor time / assembly

15:05 pm End of school day

15:15 pm Optional clubs / enrichment activities



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