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SIXTH FORM

Hello! My name is Ismail and I started at Forge back in 2015 as a year 7 student. By the time I reached year 11 sixth form continuing into sixth form was a no-brainer as I knew that I could reach the potential I wanted to, with the help of the incredible teachers and the sixth form team.

When I started sixth form I knew I wanted to eventually to progress into the health sector as I'd really enjoyed science throughout school, however I didn't know what specific career path to follow. The support I had from the sixth form team in helping to decide where specifically I wanted my A level studies to take me was fantastic. There was always someone I could talk to about different pathways and degree programmes and the guidance I receive was invaluable. Eventually I decided to apply for a degree in pharmacy.

During my time at sixth form, the sixth form team would dedicate Wednesday afternoons to university preparations. Here I gained tailored support from the team in putting my university application together and writing my personal statement.

For me, one of the most important aspects of sixth form was the extra tuition and academic support that was available. I was privileged enough to be part of The Access Project during my time at sixth form, which provided free tuition and many educational opportunities such as university open days. I was constantly supported by Penny, our Access Project Leader.

Sixth form not only helped academically, but for me, Sixth Form was a place I could share my thoughts and opinions and it allowed me to work towards creating a better school for the students. With help from my peers, we were able to work towards creating a multifaith prayer room and participate in many different charity events which helped to develop teamwork and organisation skills. Sixth Form provided so many opportunities such as being a prefect and a peer reader, which involved working alongside younger students to help them improve their reading. I believe activities such as these helped shaped me into the person I am today.

In August 2022, I received my grades and got into Aston University to study Pharmacy. I was excited to start this next step of my life, and it could not have been possible without the sixth form team.

I am forever grateful for all the staff at Forge and the environment they created. Thank you for everything.