

Past pupil profile

Bobby Zhang

Years Studied at Read School: 2012-2014

Subjects Studied at Read School Sixth Form:

Having completed my secondary education in China, I joined the Read School in 2012 at my age of 16 and studied there for two years.

My subjects at A-level were Maths, Further Maths and Physics and I achieved A*A*A.

Pathway since leaving Read:

I enrolled in the mechanical engineering course in the University of Sheffield. After graduating from the university, I am now a member of a structural biomechanics research group in the civil and environmental engineering department. at Imperial College, London. My research is to "combine finite element and musculoskeletal model using highly discretised anatomical muscle model"

Memories of Read School:

I was initially impressed by the long history in spite of the small size of the school. I was, however, more impressed by people's hospitality, ranging from pupils and teachers to kitchen ladies.

As soon as I moved in, I really felt like this was a place I could call home.

The very first impression for me was that everyone was well-mannered and well-behaved. Teachers were very responsible in their positions and knowledgeable in their professions. One thing that I like about the Read School was the small size classes for pupils in all different years. This allows immediate feedback from the teachers if you have suffered any problems with homework; it is also advantageous in getting along well with your classmates and you are familiar with everybody in a relatively small community.

Boarding Experience.

As a boarder, I enjoyed my leisure time at Read School. There were a number of activities going on during the weekend, such as watching movies, ice skating, shopping in the town and so on. The House Master was in office 24/7 to help us solve any questions and there were many social opportunities that to be enjoyed, including rugby and hockey. The Sixth Form common room is a wonderfully pleasant space to catch up with friends.

Advice for pupils considering Read School Sixth Form.

The days back at Read School were terrific and I cannot express how lucky I was to have the chance to attend the Sixth Form. I would like to take this opportunity to send my sincere gratitude towards my teachers and friends whom I met during my time there - the time in Read seemed to end, but our friendship will be ever ongoing!