



## Past pupil profile

# Alice Campbell-Wood

### Years Studied at Read School:

1997 – 2013 (Head Girl 2012-2013)

### Subjects Studied at Read School Sixth Form:

French, Spanish and PE

### Pathway since leaving Read:

I went on to study at my first-choice university (Leeds Carnegie) and achieved a First Class Honours degree in BSc Sport, Physical Activity and Sport. Memories of Read School:

Over the years, Read provided me with countless opportunities and memories:

Overseas trips, sporting fixtures, music concerts, camping trips and the popular Duke of Edinburgh Scheme. I particularly enjoyed the challenges associated with obtaining the gold award. I learnt valuable skills and made friends for life and to this day I will never forget Mr Gisbourne's words of wisdom "2 pairs of thin socks are better than 1 thick"!

During my final year in Sixth Form, I was elected Head Girl and assumed many leadership responsibilities as well as playing a key role in many aspects of school life, including sporting events and the Student Council.

### Advice for pupils considering Read School Sixth Form

I felt that the Sixth Form prepared me well to embark upon the next stage of my life. Read School is so much more than a school; it is a close-knit community where many parents are involved as teachers, teaching assistants, administration

staff and members of the PFA. This cooperative and wholehearted approach from people with a genuine interest in the school means that there has always been huge commitment and determination to succeed.

For those considering further study, I would most certainly recommend Read School Sixth Form. I feel that it provided me with just the right sized stepping stone to life outside of school. As a Sixth Former I was given freedom and independence but at the same time felt well supported and always knew that the teachers had my best interests at heart. It was comforting to carry on my A-level journey with those same teachers who had guided me so well through my GCSE studies.

**I felt well prepared for university life as I had been provided with many invaluable experiences and leadership opportunities including coaching sport to younger members of the school and umpiring competitive fixtures. Read made me into the person I am today and gave me the confidence, skills and qualifications to chase my dreams.**

In addition to working for the NHS, I coach at Selby Hockey Club and am pleased to say that I have recently returned to Read School to coach girls' games. Chase your dreams but always know the road that will lead you home again!