



Past pupil profile

Kelsey Hutton

Years at Read:

1999-2011 (Year 2 – Upper Sixth)
(Head Girl 2010-2011)

Subjects taken at A-level:

Art, English, French and Biology

Pathway since leaving Read:

Since leaving Read I studied Womenswear Design at Parson Paris, The New School of Design for 4 years.

After being selected to present my final collection at the end of year fashion show I won a slot at the Who's Next Fashion Fair in Paris to again show my final collection at their annual fashion show that showcases I graduate from all the top fashion universities form around the world.

From that I was then approached to show my work at a fashion event in Miami. After that I worked for a year in London before returning to Paris to train at Chanel's haute couture school of embroidery Ecole Lesage. On completion of that course I was offered a job at Ralph and Russo which I turned down to take an unpaid internship at Aamir Beading and Embroiderers where I now currently work between London and Mumbai.

Memories of Read School:

I had such a wonderful time at Read Sixth Form, we had such a great bunch of people throughout my time there making all the extra curriculum events even more entertaining.

I loved the annual Sixth Form bonding trip where we got to socialise as a new group of Sixth Formers outside of the school. Even the after-school events were a highlight my favourite was when we had to cook a meal for no more than £5. A test to prepare ourselves for life at uni away from home - it's safe to say half the groups was less than edible but we managed somehow to survive University!

And of course I cherished the opportunity to be Head Girl, something I wanted to achieve from when I first came to know about the position in Prep School. The opportunity to be a prefect, head girl or boy is a great opportunity to learn about responsibility and managing people something that sets you apart from others which is a bonus when applying for universities.

Advice for pupils considering Read School Sixth Form

I would definitely recommend anyone to stay at Read School for Sixth Form. The smaller class sizes mean you get more attention as an individual and your Sixth Form years are crucial for starting yourself on your career path.

Having the one on one advisor when you are applying to universities and deciding what you want to pursue really helps with your application and I am sure that is what helped me get accepted to one of the top university for Fashion Design in the world.