

Past pupil profile

Matthew Torn

Years at Read:

1997-2011 (Head Boy 2010-2011)

A levels studied:

Geography Business Studies and PE

Pathway since leaving Read:

Joined the rugby academy at Bishop Burton for three years. Alongside the scholarship I got my degree in BSc Sports Coaching development and fitness.

Did a PGCE ready for teaching at York St John and 5 years later, I'm in an established primary school teaching at a lovely school and became the PE coordinator.

Memories of Read School:

Small classes I loved, but the opportunity through sport I gained was so valuable. I enjoyed the Sixth Form with some very good friends.

Becoming the captain of the 1st XV rugby was a highlight. I played in all the sport teams - Rugby, football and cricket. Represented the school in various Rugby sevens tournaments, most successful one being held in Fylde.

I did my Duke of Edinburgh Gold award whilst at school, the leadership, map reading and working as part of a team is always a huge benefit.

The benefits of the Sixth Form: small class sizes means more opportunity if you don't understand something.

Advice for pupils considering Read School Sixth Form

Enjoy your school years - they go so fast and cherish every moment. School is the pathway for many opportunities, once you apply yourself you'll be aiming for the top. But most of all, smile every day, happiness is the true key in life. I loved school life that much. I'm still involved!

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