

Past pupil profile

Robbie Olover



Years Studied at Read School:

1999-2014 (Head Boy 2013-2014)

Subjects Studied at Read School Sixth Form:

Physics (A*), Maths (A*), French (A*) plus Biology and Further Maths at AS

Pathway since leaving Read:

Masters degree in Physics at Corpus Christi College, University of Oxford (1st class honours degree) now 2nd year PhD student and tutoring at St Anne's College, University of Oxford

Memories of Read School:

Unrivalled access to teachers with small class sizes which really stretches your knowledge and ensure no gaps. This is pretty similar to the Oxford University tutorial system at times. More academic freedom than ever before which I found very liberating and enjoyable.

You transition to being more on par with teachers for example you have discussions on academic topics rather than the "classic" student/teacher relationship of being told what is correct.

I was 1st XV rugby captain at school and also played for East Yorkshire through all age grades as well as the Scottish Exiles Northern team.

At Oxford I played for all three levels of the university teams, mainly in the 2nd XV and also got to go on tour with the Blues to play against the Croatian National team. I also captained the Colleges XV to a successful varsity victory over Cambridge last year.

As part of my Duke of Edinburgh Gold award I also had the chance to do a work experience programme with the Top 14 French rugby team Union Bordeaux Bègles (UBB) which the school set up for me. This enabled me to indulge two of my passions – the French language and rugby.

Advice for pupils considering Read School Sixth Form

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