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The Coopers' Company and Coborn School 6th Form

Beyond A Levels: Enrichment & The EPQ
Mrs Wilkes & Mrs Morrell



“Character is important – a CV may get you the interview, but character will get you the job.”



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Why?

- Our school ethos – links to the 3 pillars – we are NOT an exams factory
- The university and employment market are more competitive than ever and you are required to demonstrate skills/activities beyond your A Levels
- Improves happiness, integration and friendship groups



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How does it work?

Sport
&
Exercise

Think Life
A
Philosopher

Online Learning &
Virtual Work
Experience

Specialist
Areas

(e.g. – DofE, EPQ)

Volunteering
&
Mentoring



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Further details?

- Timetabled for one hour every week
- You complete each block for a period of 6 weeks
- You complete the block in your form group
- Only in Year 12



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EPQ

– Extended Project Qualification

Mrs Morrell

What is the EPQ?

- University-style independent research project
- Three parts:
 - Production Log
 - 5000 word report
 - 15 minute presentation
- You will have a supervisor
- Managed via teaching sessions (enrichment slot) & Google Classroom
- You're marked on the **process** as much as the final product'



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Be

seen with an EPQ

AQA 



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Titles from previous years...

- Why are pangolins becoming extinct at such a fast rate?
- Evaluate whether DNA and inheritance solely determine personality traits?
- Evaluate whether the death penalty could be effectively reintroduced in the UK in the 21st century.
- Looking at Belle, Elsa and Cinderella, evaluate if they seem to promote female stereotypes in Western society
- An evaluation of the use of mathematics during the construction of the great pyramid of Giza
 - Are black males fairly represented in the media with regards to criminality?
 - To what extent does selective mutism affect a child's social abilities?
 - Compare the pressures and social effects of a private education versus a state education.



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Why study the EPQ?

- Opportunity to spend academic time on a topic you love
- Lets you work on valuable skills that you wouldn't otherwise have – skills for life
- Looks very strong on university/ job applications
 - It can even lower your university offer!
 - An A counts for 24 UCAS Points