





WHO WE ARE...

Who we **are**

We are a Church of England designated Academy that serves the local community. Oversubscribed each year, we take students from a variety of backgrounds, a range of abilities and pride ourselves in the diversity and cohesion that exists within our school community. Opening in 2007, we have transformed the life chances of our young people. Over 75% of our students progress to University each year and no student leaves the Academy without a destination that is appropriate to them.

Our **mission, vision** and **values**

We are committed to widening horizons and shining a light on opportunity through high expectations and outstanding learning. Our joy and sense of love shines through us. Our diverse identity enables us to build a strong, understanding community. Through strong relationships we nurture our children to shine brightly.

Through knowing our students, valuing their talents, understanding what makes them tick and challenging them to move beyond their comfort zone, we believe we prepare them for a better world; their world.

Church of **England**

As a Church of England Academy, faith is an important aspect of life at the Academy. From collective worship each morning to involvement in our charities of the year, students are expected to embrace the teachings of the scriptures and relate these to their lives. We believe that faith, and a conversation about faith is a uniting force for good. We encourage students to express their opinions and value the opinions of others so that when they leave us, we can be confident that they will do good work in their communities.

All **through**

We became All-through in 2010 as a result of our success in the secondary phase. We now take students from the age of 2 to 19 and recognise that this is both a huge investment by parents and a massive compliment; handing over your child's education to us for 17 years is a responsibility we take very seriously. It does mean that we can work closely with families to both support and challenge at an early stage in a child's educational journey. It also means that the transition from nursery to primary and from primary to secondary are managed so that students are excited about the next stage of their development.



WHAT WE DO...

Broad and balanced curriculum

From the moment your child arrives, we aim to deliver education that both prepares youngsters for the external rigours of examinations and qualifications but also engages, excites and enthuses them to want to learn.

We work hard to build a curriculum that allows students to explore, to shine and to succeed. We believe qualifications are essential but that education is about more than just the experience in the classroom. We want learners to have a rich and full school life, one they can be proud of. A safe and secure place in which to express their voice and develop the attitudes and dispositions to have influence.



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**Bring up a child by
teaching him the way
he should go, and
when he is old he will
not turn away from it.**

Proverbs 22:6

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HOW WE DO IT...

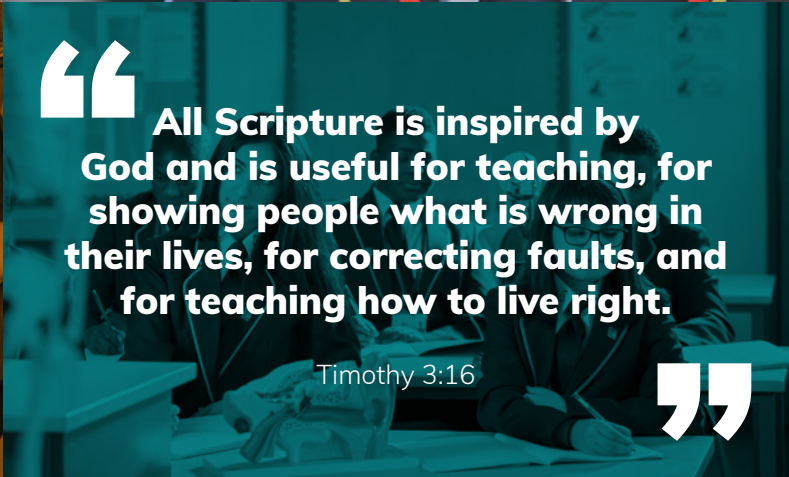
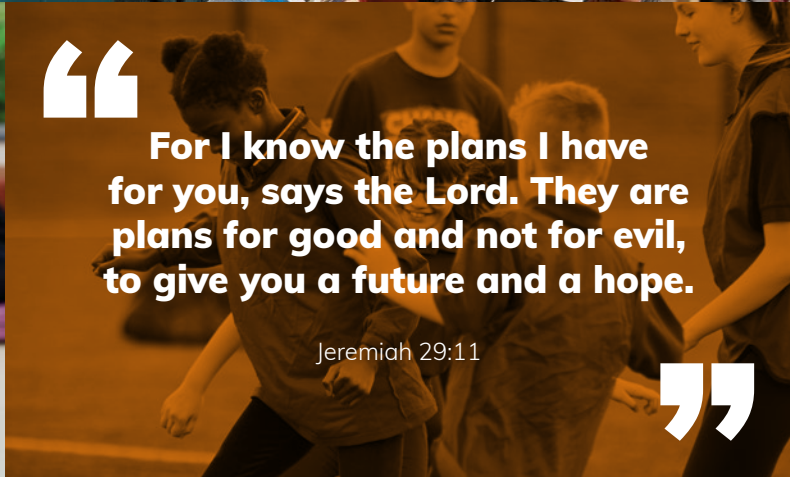
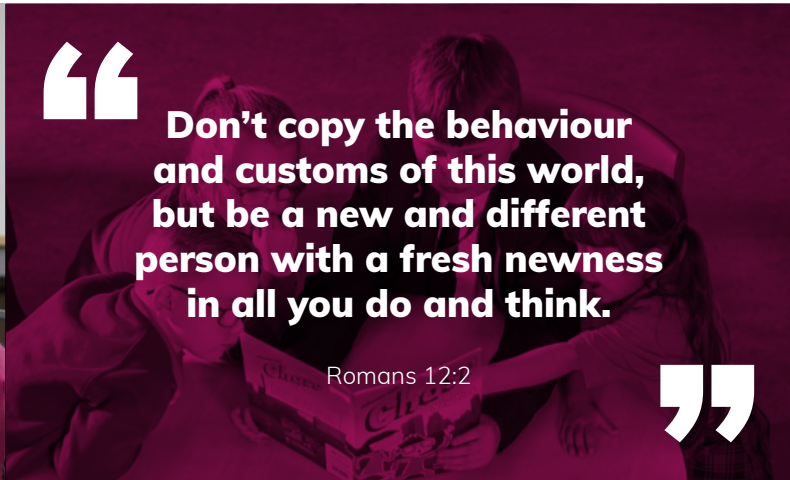
Personalised learning

As a learning organisation, we base our practice on educational and psychological research, making decisions about learning based on evidence.

An approach based on a variety of teaching and learning methods with the freedom and flexibility of teachers to deliver their subject as experts in their field.

We recognise that no one way works for all children and so teacher professional development and time spent exploring the best way to achieve the best from each child is a fundamental part of the training teachers receive at the Academy.

This means students experience a variety of approaches; from traditional didactic teaching to whole class discussions and debate with a range of techniques in-between. We find this enables our students to practice a variety of learning styles and maximise their ability to succeed. All can flourish.



Executive Principal's **message**

I hope our prospectus has sparked your curiosity. We believe we are unique and that only by visiting us will you truly appreciate all that we have to offer. A vibrant, complex, joyous place to work and learn. I extend a personal invitation to come and meet us in person. Call us and make an appointment to visit or watch our website for dates of our open evenings and recruitment events.

You will receive a very warm welcome.

Our **Partners**

