



HOLMLEIGH PARK HIGH SCHOOL

PROSPECTUS

We are a proud member of the Greenshaw Learning Trust, a 'family' of like-minded schools that collaborate to provide mutual support, share their good practice and learn from each other, whilst retaining and developing their own distinctive character.

WELCOME

I am delighted to welcome you to our prospectus, and to tell you a little about life at Holmleigh Park High School.

Our ambition is for Holmleigh Park students to have a better chance of success with us than they would anywhere else. We want every HP student to achieve the best possible **outcomes** and to have access to the widest range of **opportunities**, in a **disruption-free learning** environment.

We expect all staff, students and parents to embrace our three principles – **Work Hard, Be Kind, Take Responsibility** – so that our students leave school as ambitious, confident and successful young adults with the highest standards of integrity.

I look forward to welcoming you to Holmleigh Park.

Dan Hudson • Headteacher



OUR VISION

Your child will be joining Holmleigh Park at a very exciting time. We are already one of the most improved schools in the country: between 2019 and 2022, our GCSE and A Level results were among the top 0.1% most improved in the country. We have no intention of slowing down however, as we aim to become one of the top performing schools in the country.

We believe that for young people to be successful they must not only excel in their academic studies, but grow as a person too. We expect students to work hard to be successful at GCSE and A Level, and we provide extensive support to ensure that all students make excellent progress. Our high standards of behaviour, our expert teaching, our rich character curriculum, and our diverse extra-curricular offer, all combine to ensure our students leave school as confident, resilient and well-rounded young adults.



OUR VALUES

Everything we do at Holmleigh Park is based on our three principles: **Work Hard, Be Kind, Take Responsibility.** We believe students who embody these principles will not only be successful at school, but will go on to lead more fulfilled lives and make positive contributions to society.

These principles are reflected in our high standards. We ask a great deal of our students: to work hard in every minute of every lesson, to be polite and caring, and to throw themselves into our character programme. In return, we offer challenging lessons which follow a world-class curriculum, a warm and well-developed pastoral system which looks after every child, and a range of extra-curricular activities to encourage students to try new experiences and step beyond their comfort zones.





SUCCESS IS NOT FINAL, FAILURE IS NOT FATAL: IT IS THE **COURAGE** TO CONTINUE THAT **COUNTS**.

WINSTON CHURCHILL

THE TEACHERS REALLY **PUSH** US TO DO OUR **BEST** IN **EVERY** SINGLE LESSON.

YEAR 11 STUDENT



WORK HARD

We believe that children have limitless potential, and that they can achieve anything with enough hard work and dedication. As such, we demand the best from our students every minute of every day. Our students don't give up when they are stuck; they recognise that powerful learning comes from overcoming adversity.

Our curriculum is designed to challenge students: our lessons cover complex ideas and intellectually demanding concepts, so that our students can compete with students who have been to the very best schools in the country.

BE KIND

Students have a right to be happy and safe at school. We expect all members of our school community to show kindness to each other, to be polite and courteous at all times, and to be mindful of each others' feelings.

We have a strong pastoral team; each student is assigned a personal tutor, who they see twice a day, but help is also on hand from each year team, our behaviour team, or our student support team. We are committed to working in close partnership with parents and carers, to ensure your child is supported fully throughout their time with us.

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THE SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STUDENTS AT HOLMLEIGH PARK IS EXCELLENT.

YEAR 11 PARENT

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NO KIND **ACTION** EVER STOPS WITH ITSELF. ONE KIND ACTION LEADS TO ANOTHER. A SINGLE ACT OF **KINDNESS** THROWS OUT ROOTS IN ALL DIRECTIONS, AND THE **ROOTS** SPRING UP AND MAKE NEW **TREES**.

AMELIA EARHEART

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I **ALWAYS** FEEL **SAFE** AT SCHOOL, AND THE STAFF ARE REALLY **KIND**.

YEAR 7 STUDENT

TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

We expect our students to take responsibility for themselves, and accept the consequences of their decisions. Our students' right to education is absolute, and we do not tolerate any disruptive behaviour in class. We require students to attend school fully equipped and properly dressed, and to complete all homework punctually, so that we can all focus on learning.

We believe that all students can meet our high standards by taking responsibility for their actions. This is a tough but crucial aspect of what distinguishes us from other schools. We insist on impeccable behaviour at all times so that we can give students the best education possible, and develop our high standards of integrity.

I LOVE THAT I CAN
FOCUS ON LEARNING
IN **EVERY** SINGLE
LESSON, WITHOUT
ANY DISTRACTIONS.

YEAR 10 STUDENT

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“I AM THE **MASTER**
OF MY **FATE**, I AM
THE **CAPTAIN** OF
MY **SOUL**.”

WILLIAM ERNEST HENLEY



THE FACILITIES
HERE ARE
AMAZING AND
WE GET SO MANY
OPPORTUNITIES
TO JOIN CLUBS
AND TEAMS.

YEAR 8 STUDENT



IT'S A
SCHOOL TO BE
PROUD OF.

YEAR 13 PARENT

CHARACTER

School should not only be about lessons. At Holmleigh Park, we place a premium on the arts, culture, sports, and outdoor learning. We are proud to have received recognition from the Association for Character Education as a school of character, reflecting the impact this has on our students' growth and happiness.

Students are placed into four houses – Hurricane, Javelin, Meteor and Typhoon, named after four of the aircraft built by the Gloster Aircraft Company. Students are able to win house points each day, and competitions run throughout the year. We offer a wide range of clubs and activities, ranging from our RAF Cadet Squadron to Duke of Edinburgh, and we run a huge number of trips, with recent trips including a ski trip to Italy, several French cultural trips, and even trekking through the rainforests of Borneo.

We also boast excellent facilities, including a Performing Arts Centre with a theatre and a large number of music practice rooms, and a Sports Centre which has recently undergone a £1 million renovation, along with extensive outdoor playing fields.



ACE School of
CHARACTER

SIXTH FORM

At Holmleigh Park, our Sixth Form represents the pinnacle of the school. The majority of students choose to remain with us for a full seven years, and we welcome applications from students at other schools too.

We offer a wide range of courses, with students choosing either our academic or technical pathway. Both are designed to equip students with all the skills and knowledge to progress on to university or a high quality apprenticeship. Students benefit from the depth of knowledge of our experienced Sixth Form Teachers, and have access to their very own Sixth Form Centre. For more detailed information, please see our website.

THE SIXTH FORM
TEAM HAVE BEEN
**AMAZING AT
HELPING ME APPLY
TO UNIVERSITY.**

YEAR 13 STUDENT

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EDUCATION
IS THE MOST
POWERFUL
WEAPON WHICH
YOU CAN USE
TO **CHANGE
THE WORLD.**

NELSON MANDELA



Student
Reception

Proud to be part of the...



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