



ORCHARD 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 good practice and learn from each other, whilst retaining and developing their own distinctive character.



WELCOME



Orchard Park High School is a warm, happy and high achieving school.

At Orchard Park, it is our vision that every student who belongs to our school community has a better chance of success than if they attended any other school. We are ambitious for our students; when you visit, you'll find that students are challenged, inspired and encouraged to reach their full potential.

We are desperately proud to offer a safe and caring learning environment with disruption-free classrooms, where students can achieve the very best qualifications and skills, broadening their opportunities for the future. We create the conditions for our students to become confident in their personality and ability and the best possible version of themselves. We enjoy working with parents and carers to establish a community centered on high performance and excellence, regardless of a child's starting point.

Orchard Park High School is a thriving, wonderful school, and we look forward to working and learning with you over the coming years.

THE FUTURE

This is a really exciting time to be joining our school. Orchard Park High School has seen year-on-year improved outcomes at GCSE.

We are committed for our success to be based not only on excellent GCSE outcomes, but also on our superb Character Education offer. Our rich programme of extra-curricular activities enables students to grow into kind, thoughtful, and well-rounded young people, through brilliant opportunities alongside the arts and sports, and many other fields of expertise.





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**DIFFERENT CLUBS
AND ACTIVITIES**
AT ORCHARD PARK
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Year 8 student

OUR STUDENT VALUES

We strive to ensure students leave Orchard Park High School as confident, ambitious and high-achieving individuals.

We clearly communicate and live out our values – Integrity, Excellence, Collaboration and Drive – so we can further develop high standards of confidence, discipline and self-belief.

We insist that our students wear our uniform with pride, that their behaviour is exceptional and that they are excellent ambassadors for Orchard Park High School in the local community and beyond.

TEACHERS
HERE HAVE THE
SUBJECT KNOWLEDGE
AND **SKILLS** TO HELP
US **LEARN** AND
PROGRESS ACROSS
ALL OF OUR
SUBJECTS.

YEAR 11 STUDENT





CHARACTER

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YEAR 8 STUDENT

School should not only be about lessons. We place a very high value on reading, the arts, culture and sports, and believe that taking part in these can help to develop character and improve wellbeing.

We are committed to developing Character Education at Orchard Park – this remains high on our agenda. We know that schools thrive when students feel able to perform at their very best, and we believe a holistic approach to education allows this to happen.

We expect all our students to engage with our character education programme and are proud of our offer, which we've aligned entirely to our four core values.

INTEGRITY

[BE THE CULTURE]

Orchard Park High School is a community where you'll find hard work and honesty. We expect the very best from each other every minute of every day, because we believe that each one of us can succeed with effort and encouragement.

We believe that choosing what is **right** over what is **convenient** marks an individual as having deep integrity. Our school takes real pride in honesty, transparency and in treating each other fairly. This might be found in the way staff and students communicate with each other, in the feedback students receive from a piece of completed work, and in playground conversations or those which extend into the local community. We expect the very best from our students and staff, and deeply value authenticity.

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I FEEL
REALLY **SAFE**
AND **COMFORTABLE**
AT SCHOOL, AND THIS
HELPS ME TO **FOCUS**
ON MY **LEARNING.**

YEAR 9 STUDENT



INTEGRITY IS
DOING THE
RIGHT THING,
EVEN WHEN
NOBODY IS
WATCHING.

C S LEWIS



EXCELLENCE [BE YOUR BEST]

People are not born with 'excellence'. Excellence is cultivated over a long period of time through hard work and determination and is different from perfection.

At Orchard Park, we believe that it is possible and exciting to strive for excellence. We ask every individual, students and staff, to be their very best. While reaching for perfection can be exhausting and narrowing, aiming for excellence on a daily basis should be liberating and full of opportunity. We encourage every member in our community to strive for excellence in lessons, in extra-curricular activities and in social situations.



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WE ARE ALWAYS **ENCOURAGED** BY TEACHERS HERE TO BE THE VERY **BEST VERSIONS** OF **OURSELVES.**

YEAR 9 STUDENT



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WE ARE WHAT WE
REPEATEDLY **DO**.
EXCELLENCE,
THEN, IS NOT
AN **ACT**, BUT
A **HABIT**.

WILL DURRANT



NO ONE CAN
WHISTLE A
SYMPHONY.
IT TAKES A
WHOLE
ORCHESTRA
TO **PLAY** IT.

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COLLABORATION [BETTER TOGETHER]

**PASTORAL
CARE IS EXCEPTIONAL**
AT ORCHARD PARK. WE ARE
FREE TO ASK QUESTIONS AND
TEACHERS MAKE SURE THAT
WE **FULLY UNDERSTAND**
THE ANSWERS.



YEAR 8 STUDENT

At Orchard Park, we thrive on effective collaboration. As one member of the Greenshaw Learning Trust family of schools, we know we belong to a wide network of brilliant students, teachers and school leaders across the country. This brings so many benefits to us at Orchard Park – in teaching and learning, administrative advice and support, in economies of scale and beyond.

We pride ourselves in working together as professionals, developing our own knowledge over time through shared lesson visits, and in training and support. Much of this would not be possible without our outward-looking attitude and collaborative efforts.

DRIVE

[EMBRACE THE JOURNEY]

Ambition is a desire to achieve something. Drive is the motivation you need to get it done. At Orchard Park, we recognise that while ambition and desire are crucially important for setting goals, it is 'drive' or motivation which we actually need in order to achieve.

We encourage our students to 'embrace the journey'. This is evident in our challenging curriculum: we read ambitious books every day; we put interventions in place for every student not achieving their potential; we give access to complex and demanding knowledge concepts across the subject disciplines, so that every student leaves our school able to compete with others who have studied at the very best schools in the country.





THE **LESSONS** AT
ORCHARD PARK
ARE **INTERESTING**,
NO MATTER THE
SUBJECT.

YEAR 7 STUDENT





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