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Welcome from the Headteacher

Thank you for your interest in Deyes High School. We hope this brochure provides you with a flavour of our culture and achievements. We are a high achieving school that combines academic excellence with strong family values; we care about people and standards with equal measure.

We believe it is our responsibility to ensure that every one of our students fulfils their academic potential. In addition, we must ensure that they develop a love of learning, fully develop their creativity and, so importantly, enjoy their time at the school.

We aim to:

- offer an academic challenge which ensures that pupils of all backgrounds and abilities feel secure and valued, and that they are all able to realise their potential

- create an environment within our brand-new school building which instils in students the ability and courage to think independently and develop a love of learning
- provide a wide range of cultural, sporting and adventurous activities for pupils to enjoy and through which, they can learn to work co-operatively and to lead
- be a community that nurtures every student and encourages them to develop a sense of social responsibility and that also supports their spiritual and personal development

- support all our students into the best universities and into high quality employment.

These aims form the relentless focus of everything we do here at Deyes High School. Close and positive relationships between home and school ensure that these aims are fulfilled and together we can watch our pupils emerge as young people of whom we are all truly proud.

Mrs Victoria Beaney **Head of School**





COMMUNITY

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Welcome from the CEO of Lydiate Learning Trust

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I am delighted to welcome you to Lydiate Learning Trust. At Lydiate Learning Trust we uphold the highest of standards in everything we do. We have the highest aspirations for everyone and work together to achieve these, we strive for excellence in all areas.

We are a family of secondary and primary schools who came together to place young people at the heart of everything we do and serve our local communities. Through collaboration, we aim to improve the life chances of all the students we teach. We look to source the absolute best staff to teach and support our students and to work in partnership with parents and carers to achieve the very best outcomes.

Our schools are happy and vibrant places. Our visitors always remark upon the warmth in our schools and the excellent relationships within. Our outstanding pastoral offer has the right balance of both care and support, thus creating an environment in which students feel safe and secure, and as a result, they are able to thrive.

We have a strong tradition of providing extensive opportunities where our students can engage in activities

outside the classroom including music, sport, leadership or the many extra-curricular activities on offer which enable our students to realise their potential in many different ways. We pride ourselves on the high-quality careers guidance we offer and the destinations our students achieve.

Underpinning our aim for ambitious standards is our commitment to a fully inclusive and caring community. Traditional values, high standards of behaviour and respect are at the heart of our high aspirations.

Everyone is part of a team at Lydiate Learning Trust, and we place great emphasis on working and living together as a genuine community where each individual is equally valued and respected. I hope that you are as impressed by the Lydiate Learning Trust schools as I am proud to lead them.

Ann Stahler

Chief Executive Officer





Our Vision & Values

Our core values bind our community together and provide us with a common purpose. We believe these values underpin the outstanding achievements of our students and staff.

Deyes High School recognises the importance of developing the 'whole child' and our core values reflect the aspirations of all members of our learning community.

We believe that future citizens will be defined as much by their values and attitude as by their achievements and qualifications.

We offer supportive pastoral care that embodies our core values. We provide guidance and a range of experiences designed to nurture our students towards valuing themselves, the school, and their community.

We are now in the extremely fortunate position of being able to live out these values in a state of the art, brand new school, which opened in April 2024. Under one roof we can now realise the dreams of our students as a truly cohesive team who have the ability to offer facilities which are second to none. From sport to technology and beyond, our learning spaces were designed with the needs of our students as the first priority.





Our Curriculum

Deyes High School is proud of its history and achievements. Those achievements have been secured by upholding our traditional values whilst taking full advantage of advances in research and technology.

Our traditional values emphasise the importance of first impressions, manners, approachability, and mutual respect. At Deyes, good manners are a qualification in their own right.

We believe such attributes and approaches prepare our students for high-profile professional careers and ensure that they make a positive contribution to the local and wider community. Our students' commitment to these values lead to a purposeful learning environment in which all feel safe, happy, and ready to learn and take full advantage of the opportunities presented to students at Deyes High School.

We embrace innovative ideas and technologies, wherever they enhance the established learning process and give our pupils an extra, winning edge. By embracing technology in the classroom, lessons at Deyes High School are interactive, inspiring, and rich with the finest resources. Continual investment in equipment, research and staff training ensures that students receive the best teaching.



We have an exciting curriculum with an emphasis on high quality teaching and learning. Each student is supported throughout their education and is encouraged to recognise the value of learning, making this an enjoyable experience, and enabling them to develop their own knowledge independently.

The balance between traditional and innovative approaches extends to our communication with parents including our School Synergy app, which enables parents and carers to have an immediate overview of many aspects of school life, including behaviour, homework, attendance and communication, other digital communications, as well as letters and face-to-face meetings whenever required.





Teaching & Learning

Deyes High School students are eager, enthusiastic, and inquisitive. They go on to leave school with high-levels of confidence and the qualifications to match – a toolkit of skills to make their way in life.

Our philosophy is to ensure the success of each student in our care by encouraging them to take ownership of their own learning experience. This is based upon a deep understanding of how individuals learn which, when combined with employing the best teaching and support staff, yields outstanding results.

We also believe that academic excellence must always be based on the principles of disciplined work habits. Students are trained in establishing these habits from the outset and are provided with a range of practical and online resources to support.

Questioning and thinking are very much part of life at Deyes, stimulating and stretching minds and creating the good habits essential for success. Students are given opportunities to discuss their interests with staff who help them to match aspirations to skills they have or wish to develop by planning a personalised progression route.

Deyes High School offers pathways to success with a curriculum tailored specifically to the individual which provides a solid foundation for adulthood. We offer a very wide

range of courses and option combinations for all students at all levels. Careers information, advice and guidance is extensive, with students supported at each key 'decision making' stage of their education.

Extra-curricular activities are actively promoted to ensure that students can express themselves, enhancing their confidence and social skills through sports and the arts. Students also learn how to develop their own belief systems, whilst respecting the views of others. These activities include support for the wider community which includes local, regional, national and global charitable causes.

All students have access to our online learning resources which encourages independent learning, and all our teaching staff participate in regular training to ensure consistently high quality and inspirational delivery.





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Student Leadership

Deyes High School is committed to developing and nurturing the professional and community leaders of tomorrow. Our wide range of programmes and experiences are designed to instil in our students the skills and the moral imperative required to make a positive contribution to the local, national, and global community.

Throughout their time at Deyes High, students can develop and demonstrate their leadership qualities by taking an active role in our vibrant and influential Student Council. This team positively and creatively harness and communicate the views of students so that they can be heard and acted upon. Students frequently take part in national debates regarding topical social and political issues, allowing to express their own opinions eloquently and respectfully listen to the views of others.

Nurturing leadership skills is a key area of student development at Deyes High. Older students, often prefects or as part of the student leadership team, mentor others, organise school events or act as sport and community leaders. All students can develop their leadership skills by taking part in enriching lunchtime and after school clubs, some of which lead to accredited qualifications such as:

- Duke of Edinburgh Scheme
- World Challenge Opportunities
- National Citizenship Service
- Primary School Projects
- Tomorrows' Teachers
- Community Projects
- Sports Leadership Level
- Extended Project Level 3



Through the delivery of our curriculum and our approach to teaching and learning, Deyes High students regularly practice and refine the skills needed to be a leading member of our community. Presentation skills, independent learning, time management, teamwork and problem solving are all valued attributes that are developed daily in lessons to produce fully developed and rounded young people.





Extra-Curricular

At Deyes High School, we work hard to nurture obvious and hidden talents and skills that each student has to offer.

We provide a broad and vibrant spectrum of experiences and opportunities that allow our students to gain skills and knowledge that will last a lifetime, helping them become well-developed, confident, and responsible individuals.

We are committed to cultural, creative and leadership activities which extend the curriculum beyond the classroom. Each child is encouraged to try new things, to play and study as individuals and in teams. All the while, their academic and social skills are being stretched and refined in preparation for the world of work.

Our enrichment programme introduces a wide range of often unusual options to compliment the core academic subjects. All subject areas offer elements of 'learning beyond the school gates,' including educational visits to other countries.

Trips have included New York, Moscow, Vietnam, Naples, Berlin, Paris, and skiing in Italy. Students may also have the opportunity to participate in the 'World Challenge,' promoting cultural understanding and enhancing learning and global awareness.

Our students participate and excel in many areas including annual school productions, music tuition, ensembles, choirs, and bands. They regularly perform locally, regionally and nationally. Deyes High School sports teams are represented at local, county and national level in many sporting areas including football, rugby, netball, athletics, tennis, basketball, gymnastics, dance, table tennis and swimming.

Many students participate in the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme at bronze and silver levels. Some students aspire to the gold standard which can also be facilitated.

If a student is absent from school for a pre-agreed reason, they may undertake remote learning with their classes via Microsoft Teams. Arrangements will be confirmed to parents and students in advance to ensure continuity of education.





Pastoral Care

We make pastoral care a priority and seek to ensure that all our students are provided with the support and guidance they need in order to achieve their full potential. At Deyes High School, our students blossom under the caring eyes of all staff, growing in personality and performance as part of a thoroughly happy community of learning. Students are allocated to a form group and are assigned a form tutor, who offers daily support and guidance, tracking both their academic and personal development.

All form groups are supported by a devoted pastoral leadership team, who work to secure positive outcomes for all students as they transition through the different key stages. We work hard to create and sustain strong and effective partnerships with parents and carers as we believe they are an integral part of our school community. Parental input is valued and encouraged.

We offer opportunities throughout the year for parents and carers to come into school to discuss their child's progress, as well as informal opportunities and social events and use School Cloud for virtual parents' evenings appointments, supporting your work and family life balance.

Developing leadership is essential and there are many opportunities for students to join the active and thriving body of student leaders across all year groups. Future Focus Groups, Peer Mentors and the Student Council play a vital role in the development of the school by promoting the views of the students as well as our school core values. They act as ambassadors for the school and are available to any students wishing to seek their support.

The pastoral and curriculum structures are further supported by an experienced Inclusion team, who liaise closely with teaching staff and external agencies to enable support where necessary. Students also

benefit from a strong support network which includes a dedicated Student Reception and Student Support Services, whose door is always open.

Our school ethos upholds the fundamental 'British values' at every level. We promote pupils' spiritual, moral, social, and cultural (SMSC) development through a series of dedicated lessons which are further supported by a carefully designed Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) programme of study.





Wellbeing

All staff at Deyes High School are committed to the mental and physical health and wellbeing of every student. We believe that a positive mindset and a healthy lifestyle are the building blocks of a fulfilling and successful future.

Our curriculum provides every student with the knowledge and opportunities to establish lifelong habits that ensure their physical and mental wellbeing.

Students' physical health is developed through a varied and extensive Physical Education curriculum that ensures all students partake in activities that teach them how to ensure their individual fitness, whilst developing a love of team sports. All students are introduced to new sports in order to unearth talents and to develop an openness to new experiences.

We appreciate the pressures faced by young people in modern society and deliver guidance and support designed to provide all students with the skills to respond to these pressures positively,

responsibly and maturely. This advice is delivered both proactively, via our personal development curriculum, and reactively through highly effective pastoral care and coaching.

Our trained team of Student Peer Mentors work to support both groups and individual students so that they can make a smooth transition from primary to secondary school. We were accredited with the Healthy Schools Award and are proud of our work on nutrition, emotional health, exercise and the healthy lifestyle choices of our students.





Sixth Form

College@Deyes combines first class teaching with state-of-the-art facilities, upgraded in Summer 2024, and excellent pastoral care. This ensures all students are supported and challenged to achieve their full potential.

All our tutors are leading educators in their field with outstanding subject and course knowledge, whilst our learner support team provide expert coaching on both personal development and careers guidance.

Our staff and students are committed and determined to do whatever it takes to achieve academic excellence. This in turn results in truly extraordinary achievements.

We offer various Level 3 qualifications along with tailored packages for more vocational routes, together with opportunities to improve GCSE scores. From 2024, most students will enrol into a “pathway”; through this they are then supported to achieve their career

aspirations. Pathways include; Healthcare, Teaching, Finance, Law and Criminology, Engineering and Creative Industries.

We offer four High Flyer Programmes: High Achievers Programme, Aspiring Medics, Vets and Dentists Programme, Aspiring for Oxbridge Programme and Tomorrow’s Teacher in partnership with AMP SCITT.

Each programme has been designed to ensure students who join us in Year 12 are able to make successful applications to the most highly sought after courses in the UK. The programmes range from completing an Extended Project and work experience to visiting Oxford and Cambridge universities. Year 11 students can enrol onto any of our programmes.

Our alumni are high achieving individuals who have gone on to UK and internationally renowned universities and companies.





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