

Salendine Nook High School

Salendine Nook High School is a successful comprehensive school with high academic standards for pupils aged 11-16. It was founded in September 1973 and in February 2012 converted to become an academy.

The School is on the western side of Huddersfield, one mile from the M62. The road system makes travel to Leeds, Bradford and the whole Yorkshire region very easy. The catchment serves a diverse community. Currently there are 1321 pupils on roll, 84 teaching staff and 66 support staff. The School has an admission limit in Year 7 of 267 and is over-subscribed. 38% of pupils are from ethnic minorities and there are 20.1% eligible for Pupil Premium funding.

There are many facilities on the campus: 65 acres of playing fields, a new purpose built Sports Hall, two gymnasia, an indoor heated swimming pool, an athletics track, tennis courts and an all-weather floodlit pitch. The School has a wide range of specialist rooms and laboratories for science, all aspects of technology and art and a library/resource centre. There are five computer rooms with a network linked to other rooms and a resources room for reprographics. There are also specialist Music rooms.

The pastoral system is structured on a year basis. Each year has ten mixed ability form groups. Heads of Year liaise with Form Tutors in their Year and are responsible to the relevant member of the Senior Leadership Team. The academic work of the School is organised through Heads of Departments and all pupils follow GCSE courses or recognised accreditation. The School is well regarded for offering a broad range of subjects, e.g. double and triple separate sciences, three modern languages, Humanities, and a full range of arts and technological subjects.

Departments have their own areas in the School, and most staff have responsibilities within departments as well as carrying out a pastoral role as Form Tutors. There are opportunities for members of staff to develop new courses or special interests, and to gain wide and varied experience. The School has a regional reputation for high academic standards. We have good liaison with the FE Colleges, and a high proportion of pupils continue in full-time education at one of the colleges when they leave.