



# St Benedict's Catholic School



# Aims

At St Benedict's, we are committed to always being a school which, in the words of the Schools Minister, "delivers for (our) students".

## Community

To create a community motivated by personal commitment to Christ's teachings in which our students may develop and take their places as mature Christians in society.

## Curriculum

To provide a broad and balanced curriculum in order to enable students to become aware of their unique qualities, develop them to the best of their ability and be able to respond to the changing needs of society.

## Communications & Relationships

To create an atmosphere of mutual respect and care so that each student may achieve personal autonomy and a respect for others regardless of gender, race or religion.

## Worship

To integrate prayer and worship into the daily life of the School so as to foster the development of the faith of each individual.

## Individual Support & Development

To enable all concerned with the School to have a sense of purpose, the feeling of being valued and the opportunity for personal growth.

# Ethos & Values

We strive to achieve our mission statement by sharing the values of Learning, Respect and Worship with our students.

## Learning

Learning is the key purpose of a school. At St. Benedict's, we are constantly striving to make learning purposeful, exciting and challenging. Our expectations of our students are high - that they should do their best, and should develop the self motivation and self discipline that will make them independent, lifelong learners.

## Respect

At St. Benedict's, our Code of Behaviour is founded on the idea of Respect: Respect for Oneself, Respect for Others and Respect for the Environment. By insisting on every person showing Respect, we hope to form a community where all can feel safe and secure, being themselves and achieving their potential.

## Worship

Acts of Worship and Prayer are part of the daily life of our School. Meeting together as Tutor Groups, Years or as a School, we share our belief in the teaching of Jesus Christ. That shared belief gives us a very special sense of community, and is a vital part of our mission to prepare our young people to be "effective Christians in the modern world".



# Why choose St Benedict's?

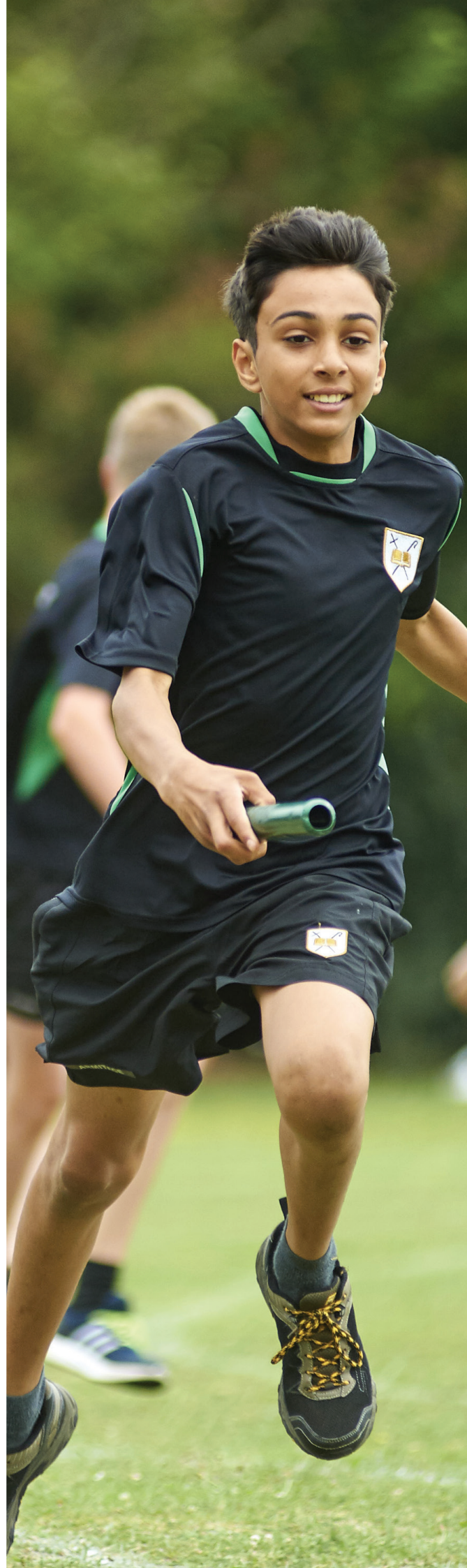
- We are an excellent School with a fabulous sixth form.
- We are a high achieving, caring community where your children will be happy and successful
- Our catholic ethos means our strong values and approach to educating the 'whole child' underpin everything we do.
- Students leave St Benedict's as well rounded, successful individuals ready to take on the world as independent, lifelong learners.
- We are a well-established school with a long history and high reputation in the community. Our ethos and excellent exam results are well known locally and nationally.
- In 2017 students achieved 74% Grade 4+ including English and Maths and at A Level 82% A\* - C. For those of you that understand the new progress measures for schools at GCSE St Benedict's has performed well above the national expectation and our students achieved almost a grade above other similar students nationally on progress
- We have a team of well qualified experienced and committed staff who care for your children and value them as individuals
- Our music and sporting achievements are outstanding and many students compete at County level.

The statistics, showing for the first time the destination of school leavers, showed three state schools - St Benedict's Catholic school in Suffolk (and two other state schools) - tied for first place, sending 7% of their pupils to Oxbridge.

*"These statistics demonstrate the gulf between the schools and colleges which deliver for their students - and those which do not,"*

Schools Minister, David Laws, via The Independent.

**Faith Respect Service  
Justice Compassion  
Responsibility**



# Admissions

The journey to becoming effective Christians for the modern world, as part of our school community.

## Are you eligible to apply for a place?

St Benedict's Catholic School has admissions criteria which give priority to baptised Catholics and to Catholic and non-Catholic children already in any of our Pyramid Catholic Schools: St Edmunds Primary, Bury; St Felix Primary, Haverhill, St Joseph's Primary, Sudbury and St Louis Primary Academy, Newmarket. Other applications are warmly welcomed, and we do not operate a fixed catchment area or give additional priority to those closest to the school. Please ask for a copy of our admissions criteria for year 7, or check our website for further details.

## Open Events 2017

### Open Evening

Tuesday, 3 October, 18:30 - 20:30  
Upper School Centre, Beetons Way

### Open Morning

Wednesday, 4 October, 09:30 - 10:30.  
Lower School Centre, St Andrew's St South

### Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday, 2 November, 19:30 - 21:00.

*If you have any questions or would like to arrange a personal visit, please contact Admissions:*

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