



Blenheim

believe and achieve

“We have always been very
pleased that we selected
Blenheim for our children”



Welcome

from the Co-Principals



“The school’s organisation and expectations for each child are models that should be copied elsewhere”

Educating children is a great responsibility and privilege and we wish our children to develop into well rounded and happy individuals. At Blenheim, our priority is to offer an education that will enable our students to do just this and flourish as individuals.

We are a forward thinking and oversubscribed Academy and lead the way with new teaching and learning strategies and technologies. This provides our students with the best opportunities for success not only academically but also socially. We are one of a handful of iPad schools within the South East and our iPads for Learning Scheme has quickly become a way of life for our whole school community. Students are learning using familiar tools and this has proved to have a positive effect on learning overall. We prepare our students for the rapidly changing world, whilst maintaining the Blenheim traditions and the unique community feel that we have nurtured and grown.

We are proud of our school and we set very high standards for our students, for teaching and learning, behaviour, dress, respect towards others and of course, academic success. We nurture every child as an individual and we ask them to strive to do their best in everything they do. We want every young person at Blenheim to be happy, safe and successful.

We believe that through learning and the celebration of success, all young people have the power to shape their own lives and we work hard to develop attributes that will allow our students to excel in all they do.

Simon Hillier & Rob Isaac

Co-Principals



Learning

through inspiration and challenge

A combination of a traditional curriculum, tailored to the needs of all students, carefully focused support and an extensive range of enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities enables every student to excel. We believe in inspiring students to achieve beyond expectations.

Shaped to the needs of individuals, our curriculum ensures all students make good progress on their unique learning journey. The introduction of our iPads for Learning Scheme in 2013 has propelled our students and teachers into a world with no technological boundaries that offers a wealth of opportunities. We believe in educating our students for their future and preparing them for the rapidly changing world in which we live.

Each student at Blenheim has access to an iPad. There are now endless apps available solely for the purpose of education and we ensure that we are up to date on the latest developments in technology to make sure that we are leading with our teaching and learning techniques.

However, this does not detract from the essential skills of reading and writing and a considerable amount of time is spent ensuring that the balance remains. Our teaching and learning strategies are focused on each individual and we strive to help each student to flourish on their own merit.

On leaving the Sixth Form, our learners are frequently described as critical and reflective; essential skills for the challenges that lie ahead.



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excel in all we do

“My daughters are well motivated,
independent learners”

Embracing Science and innovation



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Blenheim is a centre for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) and has been awarded a Gold STEM award for being an outstanding STEM provider in Surrey. These subjects are integral to developing an enquiring mind and we believe that it is crucial for all young people, regardless of their future career pathway, to have the STEM knowledge and skills that they need to be an informed citizen in an increasingly scientific and technological society.

Our aim is to engage and inspire our students, and also the wider community, with our dedicated STEM programme, not only to lead to a higher level of academic achievement within the subjects, but also to educate them in the diverse career pathways that can open up. We have a dedicated STEM Centre furnished with the latest technology which is a unique modern, work-place style room that catapults students into the future. It helps them relate to how the science, design and technology, computer science, engineering and mathematics that they study can lead to rich and varied career pathways and choices.

We enhance our curriculum with a full calendar of STEM activities and enrichment opportunities. We participate in the CREST awards through our Science Club and we have developed links with many international schools and multinational and local businesses. These links allow our students to be part of an array of events and challenges including the Atkins Film challenge, the BP STEM challenge, the BBC microbit challenge and also to visit both the Big Bang Fair and Teentech.

Most recently we have teamed up with Wilsons of Epsom to launch a Greenpower IET Formula 24 racing car project. Students have been invited to apply to be part of the Blenheim Race Team whereby they will get the chance to design, build and race a Formula 24 race car at both Dunsfold and Goodwood.

enjoy challenges

“The school really look at each child and celebrate and build on their strengths”






celebrate success

“My son is progressing well
and is involved in many after
school activities”

Creating Opportunities and developing skills



Experiences outside the classroom are just as valuable as those within. We are committed to provide fulfilling experiences for our learners to strengthen and support their academic achievements. Through a diverse programme of extracurricular activities, students are encouraged to develop their intellectual, sporting, artistic, cultural, and creative abilities.

Students can choose from a range of activities on offer before and after school and, by doing so, are encouraged to develop lifelong skills and interests. The full range of traditional competitive team based sports is on offer, together with other popular activities such as gym, dance, trampolining and table tennis.

Numerous school visits feature on the calendar, both in the UK and abroad, including cultural visits to other European countries, field trips and links to our partner school in Africa. Regular visits to cultural, political and religious centres allow young people to broaden their horizons and widen their thinking.

In-house programmes help develop rounded individuals, enhanced by links to local businesses and the local community. Success with a Young Enterprise project, completion of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, participating in work experience or mentoring younger students can all create memorable experiences, as well as developing leadership skills and encouraging independence. Elected members of the School Council regularly debate significant aspects of school life, so making a constructive contribution to the running of the school.



Developing Creativity and commitment



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My child is clearly very enthusiastic
about his attendance, his learning and
his school experience at Blenheim ”

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welcome
opportunities



Our Technology department, utilising a combination of inspirational teaching and state of the art equipment, offers each student the chance to explore projects in Textiles, Graphics and Resistant Materials. Our Food Technology department not only provides students with the basic food skills for life, but also allows their creativity to take them to higher skill levels including competitive cookery and participation in our FutureChef Club.

So much can be achieved with a strong sense of commitment and at Blenheim the success of our Physical Education and Dance department highlights the dedication and commitment of our students. Through persistence and determination students excel at all competitive levels, working both individually and as part of a team to challenge themselves.

Our Drama department offers students of all skill levels the opportunity to explore their talents and use them not only academically but also in our very successful school productions. Drama allows students to think creatively and expand their imagination whilst developing their communication skills and self-esteem.

The vibrant and purposeful atmosphere in the specialist Art and Design area gives a clue to the energy and commitment students show when working in this subject. The annual Art Exhibition routinely showcases work of an extremely high quality. Similarly, whether in the recording studio, practice rooms, music classrooms, or on the stage, students work hard to master new musical skills, with many performing at one of our regular recitals.



Dedicated

to support and teamwork

At Blenheim we place great importance on the security and well-being of all students. Our school represents a community where students, staff, parents and governors work as a team with mutual respect and responsibility.

With an emphasis on personal fulfilment, we encourage all students to make an impact on the life of both the school and the wider community. Opportunities are provided for students to join the School Council, act as peer mentors, become School Ambassadors and to take part in community projects.

Clear communication with parents is considered essential. Throughout the year, staff and parents work in partnership to create fulfilled, supported and challenged students. Regular monitoring of progress, Parents' Evenings and community events ensure that you are fully involved in the education of your child.

Highly effective pastoral systems provide the support and guidance necessary to develop healthy, happy students with a strong sense of their own self-worth. A comprehensive rewards system recognises commitment, effort and achievement, helping to develop every student's self-motivation.

Much emphasis is placed on the traditional values of courtesy to each other and respect for oneself and others. All members of the school community follow the school code of conduct.





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I am delighted with the way she is affirmed,
encouraged and supported

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respect each other



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Shaping the future

During their time at Blenheim, students acquire a variety of qualifications, but also lifelong skills and talents, enabling them to approach the ever-changing world and all its demands with confidence, enthusiasm and the ability to stand out from the crowd.

Most students decide to continue with us through our thriving and consistently outstanding Sixth Form. Here, every opportunity is given to continue learning through both academic and vocational routes leading to all aspects of further and higher education including places at the most prestigious universities. For those seeking employment, great emphasis is placed on careers advice and the opportunity for work experience.



I2 “Blenheim is an excellent school turning out well adjusted, rounded students”

Throughout their time at Blenheim, all young people are encouraged to fulfil their potential and develop skills for lifelong learning within a co-educational setting. The strong sense of community responsibility created during earlier years is continued with Sixth Form students helping, supporting and mentoring younger students together with working on civic, charity and fundraising projects.

When it is time to leave Blenheim, our young people leave with the confidence, skills and values to shape their future and ours.



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