



The Matthew Arnold School

Part of the Bourne Education Trust



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The Bourne Education Trust is a Surrey-based multi-academy trust made up of eight schools, Epsom and Ewell High School (academy sponsor), Sythwood Primary School (primary strategic partner), Jubilee High School, Pyrcroft Grange Primary School, Brookwood Primary School, The Matthew Arnold School and Sayes Court Primary School and Chertsey High School. Salesian School in Chertsey is a secondary strategic partner of the Trust but is not an academy.

The Trust specialises in supporting schools to improve their performance. Epsom and Ewell High School established the Trust in September 2013 to work with other secondary schools. In December 2013, Sythwood School joined the Trust to provide primary specialism and expertise as the Trust expanded to include other primary schools.

The Trust's main areas of expertise are as follows:

- Increasing leadership capacity and rebuilding confidence
- Setting the strategic priorities for the school and creating an aspirational culture
- Supporting the current leadership team in implementing change and holding staff to account
- Refining the school's data tracking so that intervention is targeted and makes a difference
- Improving the quality of teaching through school-to-school support, paired observations, bespoke training and the use of the outstanding practitioners
- Increasing the skills of teaching assistants
- Improving the dialogue between teachers and teaching assistants
- Challenging underperformance
- Ensuring that no child slips through the net

The Trust is led by Alex Russell from Epsom and Ewell High School. Overseeing the work of the Trust is its strategic board. Please see the website, www.bourneeducationtrust.co.uk for details.

The board meets termly and all schools in the Trust are held to account for their performance against pre-agreed key performance indicators. The philosophies that underpin the Trust are those based on partnership and collaboration. We want to ensure that all children receive a first class education and that the professionals working in our schools are well equipped to deliver this. We believe that the best way to achieve this is by working together in an open and honest culture, where no stone is left unturned in our quest to deliver an outstanding provision to the children across the Trust.