



# TIBSHELF COMMUNITY SCHOOL

*Information about the school*

September 2020





## **The Context of the School**

Tibshelf Community School opened on a brand new £17m purpose built site in November 2013. We were inspected by Ofsted (March 2016) and were judged to be a 'Good' school in all categories.

We are a popular, over-subscribed, 875 strong 11-16 school serving a rural area of North East Derbyshire. We draw students from a geographically dispersed catchment area of nine villages. The official PAN is 150 students per year group but numbers are well above this in all year groups. The proportion of students from minority ethnic groups is very low and significantly below national averages. 30% of the intake are 'disadvantaged' and are supported through Pupil Premium funding; 42 pupils have an EHC Plan, including a number of pupils with ASD. The school's deprivation index is very close to the national average, but it is in the top third within Derbyshire LA and contains a number of wards with extremely high levels of deprivation. Prior attainment data suggests that students are close to national average.

## **Student Achievement**

Our last Ofsted visit confirmed that 'school improvement has been rapid' and that students 'are making good progress across a range of subjects and across all year groups'. However, we are not complacent in this regard and we firmly believe that 'more is possible'. Projected outcomes for 2021 currently look very positive, and are predicted to be a considerable improvement compared to previous years.

## **Key Stage 4 Examination Results:**

	<u>2018</u>	%	<u>2019</u>	%	<u>2020</u>	%
English and Mathematics 'Standard Pass'	61		69		67.8	
English and Mathematics 'Good Pass'	41		41		50.6	
EBacc 'Standard Pass'	20.7		26		27.6	
Attainment 8	45.56		44.39		49.56	

*\* All results are provisional at this stage*

## **Ethos**

Ofsted also commented that 'the values of tolerance and respect were a core part of the school's ethos' and we seek to promote these at every opportunity. We believe that children learn best when they are happy, secure and well-motivated. Student safety and well-being is central to all that we do. We offer all our students a wide range of opportunities both within and outside the taught curriculum and we are fully committed to doing this within a framework of support and inclusion. Students feel safe and secure and enjoy their education as evidenced through their high levels of attendance and participation. Our aim is to build on this and create a genuinely dynamic and innovative learning community based on high expectations and aspirations.

## **Governing Principle:**

"Working together to make our school even better"

## **Mission:**

Tibshelf Community School strives to be an outstanding learning community in which individuals are inspired, challenged and supported to become effective global citizens in the 21st century.

**We Aim High Through Our Unrelenting Focus On:**

1. The Learner is at the heart of everything we do
2. Learning is exciting, engaging and inspirational
3. Working together as a professional community to ensure best outcomes for all

**Looking Ahead**

I took up the Headship at Tibshelf in September 2014 and I am highly ambitious for the school and its community. I sincerely believe that we can make our school even better. We are absolutely committed to attracting the very best staff to Tibshelf and fully supporting their ongoing professional development, with improving the quality of teaching and learning, our core purpose.

If you are excited at the prospect of playing a key role in this, we look forward to hearing from you.

**Mike Pollard**  
**Headteacher**