



# The Queen Elizabeth Academy

*“We Can and We Will”*

## Vision

*‘Securing the highest academic standards through the provision of  
outstanding **learning** and **teaching** and student **welfare**’*



Welcome to The Queen Elizabeth Academy, an 11-16 mixed comprehensive academy with a unique learning structure, a dedicated and supportive network of staff and exciting plans for the future including the opening of a brand new school building on 1/9/2016.

### **What do people say about us?**

*"The teaching environment at The Queen Elizabeth Academy is extremely friendly and supportive: every member of staff works together to ensure the best possible outcomes for all students. I feel extremely well supported in my quest to be a better teacher."*

### **The Academy:**

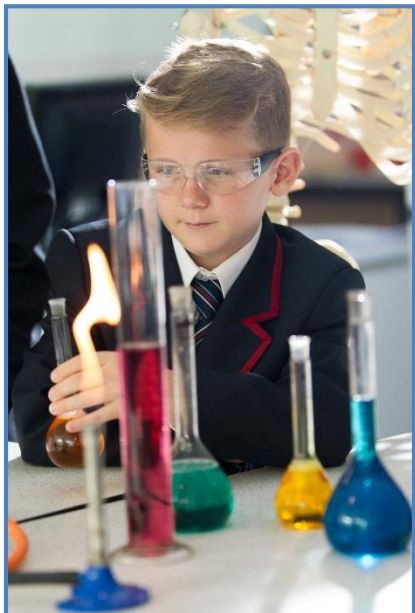
The academy's vision is for all students to realise their full potential, equipping them with the skills and qualities required for success in the competitive 21<sup>st</sup> century. We are committed to raising standards and providing students with exceptional opportunities to support learning.

We hope this pack provides you with all you need to know and what you can expect from working at The Queen Elizabeth Academy and the opportunities we will provide to support your career development.

We look for a number of outstanding qualities in our staff: an innovative and creative approach to their work; enthusiasm, positivity and an unfaltering commitment to our students' success, and an open-minded, proactive attitude to working within a team. We want individuals who want to go the extra mile for our students and staff.

As a member of staff at The Queen Elizabeth Academy, you will be joining an outstanding team of dedicated and passionate professionals who work hard to ensure our students are given the best possible education and experiences in order to become confident, successful and independent young learners. You will be continually supported and challenged in your role and encouraged to share good practice and ideas with your peers on a regular basis.

Teamwork is at the heart of everything we do and by working together we aim to secure a successful future for all our students. We encourage staff to spend some time with us before starting in their new role to gain a real understanding of our ethos and what we have to offer.



## Joining our team:

What The Queen Elizabeth Academy has to offer:

- A consistent drive to be the best we can be.
- An inspiring, expressive and aspirational student body.
- State-of-the-art facilities and a brand new building due for completion in 2016.
- A commitment to innovative approaches to education, including an emphasis on the use of technology wherever possible.
- A historic, rural location within easy commuting distance of Coventry, Derby and Birmingham.
- Strong, beneficial and expanding business and community partnerships.
- A dedicated team of education professionals who share the same goals and are working towards a unified vision.
- Career development opportunities are central to our purpose and staff have been successful in gaining promotion both internally or externally where internal promotions were not available or appropriate.



*The TQEA Senior Leadership Team*



## Induction to TQEA

Staff development is an essential part of our make up at The Queen Elizabeth Academy and our extensive CPD programme with bespoke input, as well as away days on Teaching and Learning, all help to make staff feel valued and developed.

As part of the Priority Schools Building Program we are looking forward to moving into a new multi million pound school in 2016. This is an exciting development which, coupled with new state of the art computers across the school, will give the students of North Warwickshire the very best chance possible of success. Our new STEM lab with its 3D printer, green screen video technology and robotics modules, to name but a few, has generated interest from across the country. This year four different senior members of parliament from across the political spectrum will have visited to see what we are doing in this field.

There has never been a better time to join this school with so much happening. The next few years will see the school develop and grow like never before and to be part of that whilst feeling valued and supported should tick all the boxes of individuals who want to make a real success of their professional lives.

## A passion for success

We are committed to safeguarding and continuously raising standards and challenging our students to maximise their potential. We have demonstrated significant improvement recently, with student progress improving rapidly.

Our progress has come as a result of improvements in teaching quality, a relentless focus on high standards as well as close monitoring of student progress and comprehensive self-evaluation processes. Faculties all have action plans which are monitored by senior members of staff, reporting directly to the governing body.

As a recently converted academy, we are in an exciting period of transition and are fully prepared to build on our recent improvements as we move towards a hugely successful future. As a new member of staff, we ask for your commitment in ensuring we remain on an upward trajectory and continue our rapid progress. You will be joining a team of dedicated, passionate and supportive staff who will inspire you to succeed in this role.





When considering a career move, one of the major factors is, of course, the surrounding area. We have provided you with a few helpful facts about our location you may want to consider when moving, including housing, childcare, transport and general information about living in North Warwickshire.

### **Living in North Warwickshire**

Atherstone is a pleasant market town and the administrative centre for North Warwickshire. It is situated in a strategically important place in the middle of the country. As such it has become a major hub for key players in the logistics industry with UPS, TNT and Aldi all having major distribution depots in the Borough. Transport links are therefore good with a mainline rail station providing direct trains to Euston in the South and Manchester in the North.

A guide book of Atherstone tells us:

“Atherstone is on the old Roman Watling Street in northern Warwickshire and was famed from Tudor days for making hats. In modern times it is re-inventing itself as a book town and leisure destination, and townsfolk still revel every Shrove Tuesday in a boisterous ball game played since the 13th century. For a flavour of this bustling little market town’s heritage head straight for the historic centre and Market Place with its 18th-century buildings, the 16th-century timber-framed Old Swan, an atmospheric coaching inn and the Old Bank House (1711). See, too, Merevale Church on the outskirts, originally the gate chapel to the abbey.

Small, unique bookshops appeal to magpie instincts, there’s a monthly farmers’ market, and nearby Kingsbury Water Park is great for birdwatching, fishing and cycling. Or visit Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre and Country Park which shows Atherstone’s links to the final chapter of the Wars of the Roses.”

The Roman route Watling Street, linking Anglesey with London, runs right alongside the school.

### **Housing**

Information about housing can be found on the website of North Warwickshire Borough Council

<http://www.northwarks.gov.uk/info/200225/housing>



## Travel

### Car

The Queen Elizabeth Academy has excellent access to main road links, including the A5, M42 and M6, providing easy access to and from Birmingham and Coventry. Parking is available on-site.

### Train

Atherstone is the nearest train station to the Academy, located in the town. Rail links mean the Academy is easily accessible from Coventry, Nuneaton and Rugby.

### Air

The Queen Elizabeth Academy is located approximately 30 minutes' drive from Birmingham International Airport.

### Childcare

To search for childcare services on the North Warwickshire Borough Council website, visit [www.northwarks.gov.uk](http://www.northwarks.gov.uk) and click 'C' in the directory to find information on childcare.

### Useful websites

- The Queen Elizabeth Academy [www.tqea.org.uk](http://www.tqea.org.uk)
- North Warwickshire Borough Council website – [www.northwarks.gov.uk](http://www.northwarks.gov.uk)
- Warwickshire County Council [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/home](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/home)

## Summary

We hope this pack has provided you with everything you need to know about The Queen Elizabeth Academy. Should you require any more information, please do not hesitate to get in touch through any of the channels listed below.

We look forward to welcoming you.

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