



CHRIST CHURCH
Church of England Secondary Academy

**APPLY TO BE A 2022
FOUNDING STUDENT**

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Through valuing
every individual,
as made in God's image,
we will **learn, flourish,**
and **celebrate truth.**

Thank you for your interest in Christ Church, Church of England Secondary Academy. Through working closely with you, the local primary schools, our church and the community in and around Yardley Wood, we are creating a truly exceptional school where all young people will fulfil their potential and live life in all its fullness.

The Academy is open to girls and boys of all backgrounds who value education and apply themselves to the best of their ability. For any young person who is passionate about learning, willing to work hard and ready to challenge and develop themselves in a Christian community, becoming a founding student of Christ Church Secondary Academy represents an unrivalled opportunity.

Our September 2022 founding students, alongside their peers, will learn and lead an inspiring, inclusive learning community that encourages them both to attain academic success and to achieve personal growth.

Students, teachers and associate staff work together to build a community based on mutual respect where students can flourish and develop the personal qualities they need for future success.

I look forward to welcoming your son or daughter as one of our founding students.

Mark Bowman Dalton, Headteacher



We will learn

Excellent teaching across a deep and broad curriculum will give our students new knowledge of our world and new power to shape our future.

Our curriculum is expertly planned in order to ensure that every student secures firm foundations in reading ability, literacy, English and mathematics.

Every student will immerse themselves in a wide array of subjects and develop their talents within these, and become creative, critical and reflective thinkers who make connections between their studies and the real world.

Our approach to the planning and sequencing of learning ensures students gain a deep and broad understanding of subject disciplines, in a manner which anticipates the knowledge and skills they require at GCSE, A-Level and university. Furthermore, every student will develop their personal understanding and their skills for communication, intercultural awareness and global engagement.

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Lord, you delivered to me five talents;
look, I have gained five more.

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MATTHEW 25:20

How will the curriculum be organised?

Strong senior leadership helps to ensure high standards and aspirations from the outset. We have a team of excellent, experienced teachers with a track record of success in their former schools. They have developed programmes and lessons that both stretch and support students in their learning. This includes regular assessments built around each student's needs.

We believe academic ability is not fixed and that, through excellent teaching taking place within a purposeful, rigorous classroom culture, all students have what it takes to achieve success and reach their goals. We believe that every student can make excellent progress every day and master all the key ideas, information and examples that underpin our knowledge rich curricula over time.

Subject disciplines taught in Year 7 include:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- French
- Geography
- History
- Religious Education
- Personal Development & Citizenship
- Art
- Graphic & Product Design
- Food Technology
- Coding & Computer Science
- Music
- Drama & Theatre
- Sport

We will flourish

We see every individual as being created in the image of God and therefore being of unique value and meaning. We see each student's education and their growth as a whole person flowing out of such an understanding. We believe that the development of character, spirituality and morality is just as important as the development of the mind and achievement of qualifications.

We are fully inclusive and welcome anyone, from any background, who wants an education informed by Christian values and beliefs. Although the Christian approach to living and learning is naturally prominent at our school, all students will develop proper regard for other faiths and belief systems.

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Be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green. ”

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JEREMIAH 17:8



What will our Christian ethos look like in practice?

Part of the answer to this question is to be found in well-known verses from scripture, such as 'The Fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.' We encourage and promote these personal qualities and community values every day.

At Christ Church Secondary Academy, the importance of faith and belief is openly acknowledged. In our new building there is a chapel for prayer, small services and personal reflection. There are daily assemblies and religious education is studied by all students. Indeed, spiritual and moral development are strong features of our curriculum, providing stimulating opportunities for young people to explore their own beliefs in an informed and respectful environment. We believe these opportunities foster mutual regard and understanding.

We will celebrate truth

We are intolerant of intolerance, expect outstanding behaviour everywhere and are committed to every young person going to university or into meaningful employment.

We expect all our students to demonstrate exemplary standards of behaviour, both within and outside of school. In particular, behaviour that damages other students' education is not tolerated. Parents and carers are expected to support fully, and play their part in reinforcing, our school's values and expectations on a day-to-day basis.

Through respecting the value of every person, our students will be a source of inspiration and hope for the future.

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Dear children,
let us not love
with words or speech
but with actions
and in truth.

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1 JOHN 3:18

How will our exemplary standards and expectations be lived?

Both students and parents have the right to expect the best from the Academy, and in turn we expect a lot from them. An effective partnership between parents, teachers and associate staff, based on mutual respect and teamwork, is vital for the success of your child's education, and for Christ Church Secondary Academy itself.



We encourage our students to take responsibility for themselves and their own decisions. We will develop their habits of kindness and self-discipline.

We are strict and expect all students to be polite and obedient, all the time.

Children who take pride in their appearance are also likely to take pride in their achievements and conduct. Students are expected to be positive ambassadors for the school and local community. The uniform is both traditional in style and smart in appearance. Parents are expected to ensure that students are properly dressed and equipped for school.



State of the art buildings and facilities

Our brand-new school has recently been constructed, on an excellent site located on Daleview Road, Yardley Wood, Birmingham.

Our buildings provide modern classrooms, laboratories, and flexible learning spaces. Our designers have created a stimulating, rigorous and joyful environment that incorporates the very latest in specialist facilities and resources for all aspects of the curriculum. Special facilities include a large library, studio spaces for creative and performing arts, high-spec product design and catering classrooms, and an inspiring chapel.





Our outstanding sports and performance facilities feature first-class practice halls and training spaces, alongside large performance spaces, all-weather pitches, and playing fields. These facilities support the development of our students' talents in a wide variety of sports and performing arts. Students access these opportunities through our broad curriculum and through our wide range of academy sports teams, production companies, and student led societies.

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A brand-new school in Yardley Wood, Birmingham.

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our philosophy of education and all about the
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