

HAWKLEY HALL HIGH SCHOOL CARR LANE WIGAN WN3 5NY

"An outstanding school providing an excellent quality of education and care for its students". (Ofsted)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Number on roll : 1029 (rising to 1150 by 2021)

Age Range : 11 – 16
Teaching Staff : 70
Support Staff : 87

Hawkley Hall is a high performing, heavily over subscribed, mixed comprehensive school. Our school has a strong reputation in the region and its success has been recognised in a number of ways in recent years.

In recognition of its outstanding practice, Hawkley Hall was made a National Support School in Spring 2010. In order to widen our influence, Hawkley chose to convert to Academy status on 1st May 2012 with the potential to sponsor under performing schools. Hawkley Hall is, therefore, the lead school of our multi-academy trust called The Rowan Learning Trust. In addition, the school has been designated as a teaching school in 2017.

We see successful education as a partnership between parents, students and ourselves. Links with parents are of paramount importance, with regular and frequent contact via parents' evenings, reports, newsletters and the school planner contributing to a continuing dialogue about the education we provide for our children.

The school is situated in the south western part of Wigan, close to the M6 motorway, in an area of substantial private development. A wild fowl nature reserve borders the school grounds providing an open attractive outlook to the site.

ACCOMMODATION

The original buildings of the school were built in 1980 for what was then the Hawkley Hall Middle School. Since 1986 there has been extensive building, re-modelling and refurbishment programmes on the site to complete the modern and attractive accommodation which is now Hawkley Hall High School. Investment is made annually on refurbishment to keep the fabric at an excellent standard. In September 2017 we opened our newly built Maths block (including ten additional classrooms), three brand new dedicated ICT suites, two additional science labs and two state of the art Food Technology rooms.

<u>ICT</u>

The ratio of students to computers is better than 2:1 including an extensive wireless and mobile solution. Every classroom is equipped with an interactive whiteboard and a Virtual Learning Environment allows access at home.

CURRICULUM

Students in KS3 are taught in either mixed ability forms or sets depending upon subject.

In Years 10 and 11 students follow a core of subjects: English (16%), Mathematics (16%), Science (20%), Physical Education (4%), Religious Education (8%) and choose 3 option subjects. The time allocation is based on 25 one-hour lessons per week.

Special Educational Needs provision is delivered through a combination of in-class support systems and withdrawal. We have 13 resourced places for children on the autistic spectrum.

In 2016 the schools progress 8 measure was +0.22 with a basics measure of 72%. In 2017, students achieved a basics measure of 72% and an attainment 8 of 49.4 with progress 8 yet to be published.

PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral Care is the responsibility of every teacher in school but is formalised on a year basis. Each student comes under the direct care of a form teacher who registers the form daily and looks after the day-to-day routines. Heads of Year (Y6/7, Y8, Y9, Y10, Y11) with an assistant and attached staff, co-ordinate the pastoral care within the year groups. The form teachers stay with the same year groups as they move through the school.

Our code of conduct and behaviour follows what we refer to as the 'Hawkley Way' – an expected way of doing things based upon mutual respect.

STAFF

There are 70 teachers on the staff, teaching across the full range of age and ability. The teaching staff are supported by 87 professional and very competent support staff. We work as a unified team to support and enhance the learning experiences of our students. At the time of writing this document 98% of teaching is rated as good or better under Ofsted criteria, and 65% outstanding.

TRAINING

We invest heavily in our own staff training and development but we are also a major training provider for staff from other educational establishments. We even have our own, purpose built, high quality training suite.

INSPECTION

There is a link to our outstanding Ofsted report on our website www.hhhs.net.