



## Sir Roger Manwood's School

### *Engage ... Explore ... Excel*

Sir Roger Manwood's School was founded in Sandwich in 1563 as a free grammar school for the boys of the town, with about 15 pupils. Today it is a co-educational grammar school education over 1000 young people. It continues to serve the local community from a green, spacious and tranquil site, equipping its students for their futures. A Manwood's education follows the three strands of our vision of Engage, Explore, Excel and is designed to enable students to fulfil their individual potential and to be ready to progress in whatever they do next; we value personal development as well as academic achievement.

To achieve their best, we believe students must first **ENGAGE** with the school, staff and their learning which means being active and increasingly independent learners, keen for feedback and able to collaborate. Students will receive excellent teaching of a broad and deep curriculum, within an inclusive and supportive community, fostered by the house system which crosses year and class groups. There is a strong focus on safeguarding and on the emotional and physical well-being of everyone in our community. Manwood's attaches great importance to the ongoing development of all our staff, the enhancement of our facilities and the opportunities we can offer to our students. Links with parents, our alumni and the local community are actively sought and valued.

Manwood's is committed to the importance of allowing students to **EXPLORE** both the subjects they study and themselves. They are encouraged to take risks with their learning and to challenge themselves. The school offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities, including Junior and Senior Charity committees, Combined Cadet Force, Duke of Edinburgh Award, Drama, Music and a very full programme of sport. We organise an extensive range of overseas trips that broaden students' understanding of different environments and cultures. Students have the opportunity to try new things, to study in depth, and to develop skills in areas like leadership, problem-solving and team work.

Our focus is on enabling our students to **EXCEL**. The school has high expectations of all its students, in behaviour, learning, and commitment to themselves, their fellow students and the wider community. Manwood's students will achieve the best they can academically, and will become adaptable, confident, independent, critical thinkers who can contribute to and flourish in the next phase of their lives, whether that be in further learning, training or in employment.

*The Manwood's experience from a student's perspective: "...that's why I love Manwood's ... there are always so many things to get involved in that each year is more rewarding than the last ... one of my favourite things ... is its sense of community; everyone looks after one another and the passion and kindness of the staff rub off on the students."*