

# **Ormskirk School**

**Opportunity. Resilience. Respect.** 

The Headteacher, Mr M Witter



#### **Our School**

Our school community is built upon shared core values. Our belief in opportunity for all means that we are an inclusive and aspirational school, encouraging all to aim high and enjoy their learning. Our focus on resilience means that we strive to give of our best in all endeavours. Our respect charter means we are a school that values courtesy and kindness shown in the highest standards of conduct.

As a school we value and celebrate the many and varied achievements of all; recognising the exciting and limitless potential that students have and encouraging them to fulfil this in a caring, disciplined and inspiring environment.

The moral values we aim to nurture in our pupils remain constant and critically important. Working hard, doing one's best, valuing everyone's contribution, respecting others and learning to work together are, and will remain, a vitally important element of our community.





#### Our Aims

We seek, first and foremost, to allow all our students to develop intellectually, morally, socially, spiritually and culturally during their time with us. We equip our students with the skills and personal qualities to be successful in a rapidly changing world. We aim for them to: enjoy their learning, feel cared for and supported, believe in themselves and the difference they can make, and aspire to purposeful and

fulfilling lives.

We are continually working to make our teaching, our curriculum, our learning facilities and our support for students even better.

Our commitment is to make Ormskirk School and Sixth Form College a place where excellence and high expectations are recognised as the norm: a school to which everyone is proud to belong.





### Our Support

An effective education is a partnership between school and home. A strong feature of our school is our partnership with parents/carers. We regularly survey parents about their satisfaction with school life and the areas we can improve even more. In addition: we have a valued Parent Forum which meets at least once per term, have numerous information and consultation evenings, keep parents abreast of school events via a carefully curated website, have a thriving 'Friends of Ormskirk School' group and are always looking to work with parents to improve the life chances of all across our school community.

In school we support our students through our year group system.

Each year group is led by a Head of Year and Assistant Head of Year. This allows a strong bond to be built up between school and home over the five years in main school. This provides numerous opportunities for competition, support and leadership, such as being an MP in College Parliament. It also allows a strong focus on the child as an individual, which is critically important in a large school such as ours.

Our Learning Support is a strength of the school. We have an Every Child Matters (ECM) Centre, a Respect Centre and a Respect Centre+. All designed to meet the individual needs of the students in our care.





## Our Experience

Our young people need preparing for a world which is changing rapidly. A strength of the school is our curriculum which provides a range of pathways allowing every young person the opportunity of success. We combine this with a comprehensive programme of guidance about future careers, work experience, where appropriate, and co-ordinated partnership working with local colleges.

At sixteen, many of our young people choose to remain at our Sixth Form College at the school, where we offer a variety of academic A Levels and vocational courses. Many of our students are successful in gaining entry to the Higher Education courses of their choice. We have a proud record of success in securing places at elite universities but take equal pride in the fact that almost every one of the young people leaving our school has a clear idea of

their future role in society and a plan about how this will be achieved.

There are outstanding extracurricular opportunities across the school, with students able to excel in a wide range of activities. There is a deep commitment to personal development, with some wonderful opportunities to undertake: student leadership roles, expeditions, visits and new experiences.

We believe in teaching and learning that is inspiring, challenging and engaging. We believe in providing the quality of education that our students deserve; seeking continuous improvement as we meet the exciting challenges of the future together. The Ormskirk Experience is one we are very proud of.

We look forward to you joining us.



