



Moorside  
High School

ENGAGE AND ACHIEVE

# MOORSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

A Specialist School for Science



## PROSPECTUS

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*"Moorside gives me the education I need to excel in life. Teachers give me support and advice if I am struggling and praise my achievements. We all respect and encourage each other, share problems, and express our views."*

*Year 9 pupil*



## Welcome

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We are proud of all we have to offer at Moorside High School. We are an oversubscribed school with a strong sense of community and family. Our students, firmly at the heart of everything we do.

We believe all children have tremendous talents. For them to flourish they need a supportive environment that encourages them to achieve their full potential. Our pastoral systems underpins this belief and allows students the safe space they need to excel.

We want our students to enjoy learning, to question and explore, to acquire positive attitudes, behaviour, and personal beliefs, and to gain the independence to become lifelong learners.

You can gain a sense of the school from this prospectus, however, there is nothing better than seeing us in person. Please contact us to have a tour during the day, you will be most welcome.


**Mr D Robinson, Headteacher**

## Our School Vision

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*To provide a consistent, respectful, honest, and enjoyable environment, where through self belief, pupils can aspire to be the best they can be.*





*"We maintain our values and uphold our favoured traditions in the school. As they say, 'the only impossible journey is the one you never begin'. So join us on our adventurous journey!"*

**Year 9 pupil**

## Our School Values

Our school values are embedded in **REACH**

**Respect** - Be respectful and supportive to one another.

**Enthuse** - Engage and be positive at all times.

**Achieve** - Aspire to be the best you can be and be prepared to take risks along the way.

**Community** - Help to create a community which values trust, fairness, honesty and loyalty.

**Hard work** - Always be determined and persevere in everything you do.



*"Everyone is fun, kind, and each lesson is exciting. The school supports us as students and will help us develop our inner skills to help with future jobs and careers."*

**Year 8 pupil**

## Respect

We encourage our students through the values of REACH to care for themselves and others. To seek to understand and respect other views. To know, and act on, what is right.

We want our students to know about the wider world, to care about the

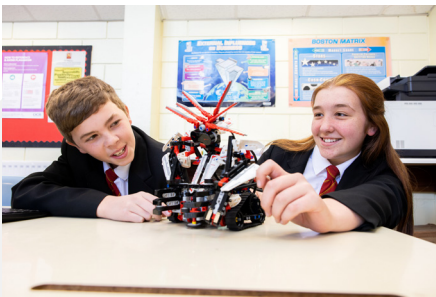
rights of others, to take responsibility for their own actions and to behave with compassion and consideration.

Students can take leadership roles in the school through the Moorside Parliament.



*"I feel my child has had a caring and successful learning environment which has prepared them well for when they leave school as a responsible young adult."*

**Parent**



*"The extra-curricular trips that have been offered to my child have given him a wealth of different experiences and opportunities."*

**Parent**

## Enthuse

We teach our students that the possibilities are endless. We aim to captivate, stimulate, and inspire through a broad curriculum and the wider opportunities available through school. There is a commitment to pace and challenge in lessons and we encourage students to become more skilful at reasoning, creative thinking, evaluation, and problem solving.

Students have opportunities to enjoy school trips, sports events and residential visits. We encourage them to compete, to create, to aspire, and to draw the learning out of the vast range of opportunities we offer at school.



*"Taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award at school has enabled my child to gain skills for the future and develop their independence."*

**Parent**



# Achieve

Our students achieve.

They understand that hard work produces results and work hard to achieve them. Academic excellence underpins everything we do at Moorside, and our results reflect this. We believe a strong academic foundation is key in developing confident and resilient young people.

Alongside academic success, we offer opportunities to excel in sport, music, and creative arts.

A broad range of activities are offered, including: handball, rugby, table tennis, orienteering and street dance.



*"My family always wanted me to come to Moorside. We don't regret it one bit!"*

**Year 9 pupil**

The Music Department works with specialist musicians who offer the full range of instrument tuition. There are also lunchtime clubs for orchestra, choir and other musical activities, including an annual show.

There are also opportunities to join in activities such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award and St. Modwen workshops.



*"Moorside helped me to focus and engage in lessons that I found I loved and felt passionate about."*

**Year 7 pupil**



*"The dedication of staff at Moorside High School is fantastic, which has enabled my daughter to progress and achieve outstanding GCSE results."*

**Year 11 parent**





*"The careers advice, information, and links with colleges, apprenticeships and further education, has given my daughter tailored guidance and various options, which has helped to plan her future aspirations."*

**Year 11 Parent**

## Community

Our sense of community and family is very important to us. Our established transition programme is designed with your child in mind. We want them to see this next stage as an adventure and we are here to make that happen.

We understand that moving to a secondary school is different for every child. Our professional team of specialist support staff work with a range of institutions to ensure all students have the transition package that fits their needs.



*"Moorside allows and creates friendships that last until the end! Subjects are expressed in new ways and you can create great relationships with staff and pupils."*

**Year 9 pupil**

## Hard Work

We set high expectations in every aspect of school life. Students are expected to work hard, to consistently treat themselves and others respectfully, and to be proud ambassadors of our community.



*"I enjoy school and feel confident in lessons."*

**Year 7 pupil**



# The next step

Moorside High School is a member of the Potteries Educational Trust, catering for children between 11 and 16. The admissions policy is available on the school website.

Moorside High School is the designated high school for students from Werrington Primary and St. John's Primary at Wetley Rocks. Other admissions are subject to our Academy Admissions policy and is available on our website.

If you want to find out more about Moorside High School, please contact us:

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## Potteries Educational Trust



We are proud members of the Potteries Educational Trust - a vibrant Learning Community who work hard in the areas that they serve, to maintain and develop excellent and innovative teaching-and-learning.

For more information about what the Trust offers, please visit:

**[www.potteries.ac.uk](http://www.potteries.ac.uk)**





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