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Orleans Park is a happy, thriving, successful and oversubscribed 11-18 mixed comprehensive that serves its local community in Twickenham with over 1,350 students.

In November 2017, Ofsted recognised that Orleans Park is an outstanding school. They said "Orleans Park excels in all the aspects of provision for its pupils" and we have "established an inspirational teaching and learning environment where pupils can flourish and excel". Other highlights include "pupils have very positive attitudes to their learning", they are "keen to learn and take pride in their work. There is a clear sense of enjoyment and willingness to work and pupils have a mature attitude to learning".

Our Sixth Form has over 250 students and has been judged "outstanding" by Ofsted, stating that we are "striving for excellence in all areas and are determined to ensure that all students achieve the best they can". Ofsted also recognised the "staff know and care about their students as individuals and are keen to develop their students as successful independent learners" and that "sixth form students are excellent role models for younger students in the school".

At Orleans Park we value the achievements of every student no matter what their abilities or talents. Young people are at the heart of all that we do. We are a truly comprehensive school and celebrate our diversity. Our high expectations of every student, and a caring, respectful and supportive ethos, ensure everyone can "be the best they can be". Ofsted recognised that "the very strong sense of community is palpable throughout the school". Our students know that care and support is always available.

As Headteacher, I'm extremely proud of our students. They are confident, articulate and thoughtful students who continually impress me with their talents and energy. We regularly celebrate the many and varied successes of individuals and groups, and are proud of our inclusive approach.

Our enrichment offer was recognised by Ofsted as "extensive & inspiring" and a key feature of what we believe is important for the personal growth of a young person. There are a wide range of opportunities, challenges and experiences outside of the classroom. We expect all our students to take part in at least one residential activity, either in the woods, by the sea or in the mountains. Student participation in extra-curricular activities is exceptionally high.

There are a wide range of trips and visits arranged each year, both in the UK and beyond. We encourage students to take part in our highly successful Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

Orleans Park has a strong sporting tradition. We believe it is extremely important to be active and involved in sport - whatever your ability. We are proud of our sporting excellence, which includes winning the Borough Athletics Championships for 34 consecutive years. We also enjoy a strong tradition of music, drama and art at the school.

Please explore our website as this will give you an insight into the vibrancy of Orleans Park: www.orleanspark.school

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