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Welcome

Transition & Year 7



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At The Oaks Academy we are passionate about supporting our students in growing into happy, healthy and confident young people with the ability to fulfil their true potential. We offer an individualised experience which suits the needs of our students and will best provide them with the skills, knowledge and confidence needed to progress onto their chosen future pathways. We believe in being both professional and caring in our approach.

Our vision of *Inspire, Believe, Achieve* underpins our approach to education and young people:

- We inspire to aim high.
- We believe in ourselves.
- We achieve academic excellence.

We have strong positive relationships with local primary schools in Crewe to ensure a smooth transition for all students into Year 7.

When still at Primary School your child will be actively encouraged to visit us at The Oaks Academy and feel at home here. We offer a wide range of masterclasses so your child can experience new learning opportunities, taking advantage of our specialist subject provision.

Our transition events develop students' confidence and excitement about starting with us in September.

Transition events build familiarity, confidence and a sense of teamwork amongst our new intake. These include a visit in the summer term to experience a typical day of lessons, understand daily routines and meet their form tutor.





Inspire



Believe

We provide a quality education which enriches students' ambition and love of learning and equips them with the skills, knowledge, and cultural capital they need to be successful in later life. To support knowledge retention and retrieval, lessons are structured around the principles: *Share, Build, Practise.*

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Employment Readiness Programme

Our students visit and engage with local employers and education providers. We aim for students to have a broader understanding of the opportunities available to them and to help them identify key skills employers are looking for, as well as set some tangible goals for their next steps.

More Able and Scholars' Programme

The Oaks Academy is committed to nurturing the talents of every one of its students and we recognise that some students can be especially talented in areas such as sports, music, or in academic subjects. By identifying and providing for those more able students we help all students strive to fulfil their potential.

The More Able and Scholars' Programme gives more able pupils the knowledge, skills and confidence to aim high, and the belief that they can apply for top universities and jobs with top employers. It aims to develop key skills including critical thinking, subject knowledge, written communication, and self-efficacy.

Personal Development

Personal Development at The Oaks Academy is taught through the CHARACTER Curriculum. Our Personal Development Programme enables our children to become independent, confident, healthy and responsible members of society, as well as developing the 'whole child' intellectually, morally, socially and spiritually.

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We offer masterclasses and an extensive variety of enrichment clubs and societies. We work with local businesses and clubs in the community. Students who participate in enrichment activities have greater self-esteem, resilience and a chance to meet and make new friends.

Our pupils are encouraged to participate in visits to places of historic and cultural interest, both in the UK and overseas. Current opportunities include the Duke of Edinburgh Award, Anglesey Art residential weekend, and Humanities Belgium residential visit. In addition, there are many opportunities to engage in further and higher education visits to colleges and universities.





Achieve

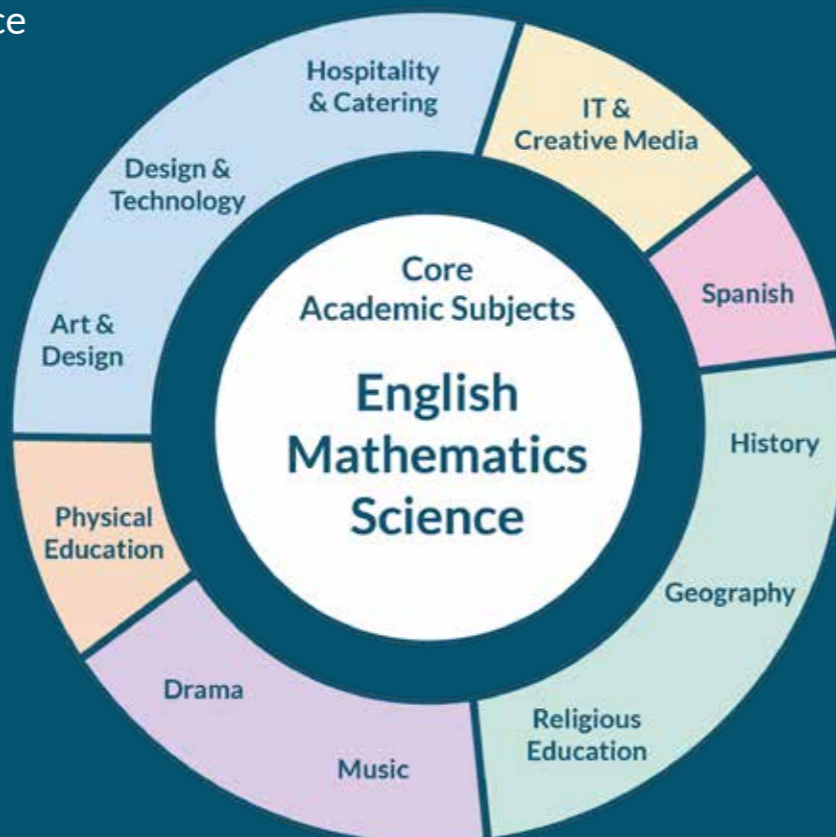
Teaching & Learning

Our curriculum is *ambitious, broad and connected* and has been developed to meet the needs of all Oaks Academy students. We promote a love of reading and value literacy. We aim to teach students how to think, evaluate and question and we strive to promote resilience as well as academic learning, educating our students for life.

We achieve academic excellence

Our curriculum is organised so that programmes of study are sequenced to allow students to learn. Staff sequence learning so that students are able to make connections to prior knowledge.

We provide a real community feel and are proud to hear about the successes of our former students, including those studying at top universities, such as Oxford or Cambridge, being accepted for apprenticeship schemes at local and international companies, and contributing meaningfully to their communities.



Staff teach all students to a high level and scaffold their learning so that all students can achieve. All lessons have explicit challenge embedded in the learning so that students know what progress looks like.

Every class, whether mixed ability or set by ability, has students who require additional stretch and challenge. The Oaks is dedicated to sharing best practice in stretching and challenging our most able students so they can experience a wide range of effective teaching strategies in lessons.

When it comes to making GCSE choices in Year 9, we provide our students with the expert advice and guidance they need to pursue GCSE and vocational subjects that match their personal interests and aspirations.





Pastoral Care & Wellbeing

Our school is passionate about students growing into happy, healthy and confident young people who can fulfil their potential. We pride ourselves on the personalised support we offer to every child. And we are committed to an inclusive culture which promotes diversity and equality for the entire Oaks Academy community.

We have a strong pastoral team with Pastoral Leaders and supportive Form Tutors. We encourage all Form Tutors to create a meaningful relationship with students and their families.





Careers

As a result of their personalised pathways our students are perfectly positioned in Year 11 to pursue further educational courses or career pathways. Our careers programme ensures that starting in Year 7, students hear from local employers and post-16 education providers, and they are supported in their decision making with a careers guidance counsellor who ensures that pathways are suitable and bespoke to their needs.

Each year we amend and develop our careers programme to ensure that we are supporting and providing our students with the best opportunities. We are committed to ensuring that our programme is progressive and supports students in all year groups, to develop their knowledge and understanding of careers available, labour market information and employability skills.



Our Career Partners

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 likewise.	 LYNX CONSTRUCTION GROUP	 MOTHERWELL F.C. EST. 1886
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 radius Payment Solutions	 ROYAL AIR FORCE	 Reaseheath College
 ROYAL NAVY	 YMCA	 Wishing well



Admissions

If you wish to apply for a place in Year 7 at The Oaks Academy, please do so through your local authority. For more information visit:

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions.

Our Admissions Policy can be found on our website.

If you are interested in learning more about us, you can arrange a visit by contacting the school or by attending our annual Open Evening in late September.

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