



Our Curriculum

Transforming Lives through kindness, respect and resilience



Kindness



Respect



Resilience

Our curriculum is designed to engage, inspire and prepare students for life beyond school, we focus on *learning that makes a difference*.

Our five curriculum strands provide students with the skills, knowledge, understanding and experiences to become independent, active citizens ready for life in the modern world. Each strand prioritises developing students’ knowledge of themselves and the world around them, with oracy, reading and writing at the heart of our curriculum. Across each curriculum strand, we explicitly embed our school values, kindness, respect and resilience, growing our students’ sense of self-belief and belonging, through personalised learning plans.				
Academic	Vocational	Personal Development and Wellbeing	Outdoor Learning and Life Skills	Animal Care & Equine Studies
Our academic curriculum builds on and develops students’ foundational knowledge. Throughout KS3, subject knowledge and identity are developed, and students’ confidence grows, forming the building blocks of later success. Careful sequencing ensures that across our academic curriculum, students know, remember and can do more. Tailored English, maths, science, humanities and ICT help every student master essentials at their own pace, whilst ensuring that they develop the oracy, reading, writing and numeracy required for success in adult life.	Our vocational curriculum enables students to develop practical skills, gain accredited qualifications and explore future career pathways. Our students have the opportunity to earn nationally recognised units and awards through AQA, City & Guilds, Open Awards and ASDAN, enabling students to learn and apply knowledge and skills needed to succeed in school and beyond.	We focus on students’ personal, social, physical, spiritual, moral, and cultural development, incorporating key areas such as British Values, Citizenship, RSE, PSHE, character education and careers education. Our personal development curriculum reinforces students’ understanding of themselves, others and the world around them. It supports them throughout their time with us and into their future, enabling them to become safe, resilient, reflective, and active citizens. Our Changing Lives lessons focus on developing the skills of reflection, oracy, empathy, respect, resilience and citizenship, alongside their knowledge of citizenship, careers, relationships and sex education and health and wellbeing.	Gardening, farm work and environmental projects foster belonging, resilience, independence and teamwork, developing students’ character, sense of pride and their understanding of the positive impact they can have on the world around them.	Our animal and horse care qualifications are designed to do more than develop practical knowledge and technical competence — they help learners grow as confident, capable and responsible individuals. Through hands-on learning, learners develop essential animal-care skills alongside communication, teamwork, problem-solving, organisation, resilience and empathy. Working with animals and horses encourages patience, responsibility, self-discipline and attention to detail, while also building confidence, independence and a strong work ethic. Our mission is to prepare learners not only for progression into employment, further study or the equine and animal industries, but to equip them with the wider skills, behaviours and mindset they need to thrive in life and work.
Delivered through: • Maths • English • Science • Humanities	Delivered through: •Employability Skills •UAS •King’s Trust •EPQ •PE	Delivered through: • Changing Lives lessons • Character Curriculum • Our SMSC calendar and Community Days • Tutor Time, including Read, Reflect Relate, Speak Up and Look Back and Leap Ahead sessions • Personalised interventions	Delivered through: •Equine Facilitated Learning (EFL) •Forest School •ASDAN Life Skills •Subject Days	Delivered through: •British Horse Society Challenge Awards (BHS) •Animal Care •Horse Care •Dog Grooming
As a result, our students achieve nationally recognised qualifications, improve their attendance, broaden their aspirations, develop greater independence and resilience, and are well prepared for life in modern Britain.				

Changing Lives

Our Curriculum Allocation: KS3

KS3	
Lesson	Weekly Allocation
English	3 x 50 minutes
Maths	3 x 50 minutes
Science	3 x 50 minutes
Literacy	1 x 50 minutes
Changing Lives	1 x 50 minutes
PE	1 x 50 minutes
King's Trust	3 x 50 minutes
Unit Award Scheme	2 x 50 minutes
Equine Facilitated Learning	1 x 50 minutes
British Horse Society Challenge	1 x 50 minutes
Riding	2 x 50 minutes
ASDAN Life Skills	1 x 50 minutes
Forest School	1 x 50 minutes

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Our Curriculum Allocation: KS4

KS4	
Lesson	Weekly Allocation
English	3 x 50 minutes
Maths	3 x 50 minutes
Science	3 x 50 minutes
Literacy	1 x 50 minutes
Changing Lives	1 x 50 minutes
PE	1 x 50 minutes
Employability Skills	3 x 50 minutes
Unit Award Scheme	2 x 50 minutes
Equine Facilitated Learning	1 x 50 minutes
British Horse Society Challenge	1 x 50 minutes
Riding	2 x 50 minutes
Extended Project Qualification	1 x 50 minutes
Forest School	1 x 50 minutes

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Our Curriculum Allocation: KS5

KS5: Year 12 and Year 13	
Lesson	Weekly Allocation
Chosen Level 2 or Level 3 qualification	5 x 50 minutes
English	3 x 50 minutes
Maths	3 x 50 minutes
Extended Project Qualification (Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3)	2 x 50 minutes
Unit Award Scheme	2 x 50 minutes
Changing Lives	1 x 50 minutes
Work Experience	2 x 50 minutes
Riding	2 x 50 minutes
Careers Tutorial	1 x 50 minutes
Equine Facilitated Learning	1 x 50 minutes
PE	1 x 50 minutes