



Ashton Community Science College

A SCHOOL TO BE PROUD OF



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Welcome to Ashton Community



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A SCHOOL



At Ashton, we are incredibly proud of our school and its successes. We make no secret of striving for excellence in every aspect of school life for all our students. Our school motto declares that we are "A School to be Proud of" and this underpins our ethos. Pride in everything you do, from the way you speak, to the way you dress and the way you behave towards others, is the expectation. Anything less is unacceptable.

Science College

We want our students to have ambition and aspirations, to stretch themselves and to reach further than they ever thought possible. Our BOOST programme offers students a wide range of opportunities to engage in extra-curricular activities that will help them develop the team and communication skills, the leadership qualities and the breadth of experience they need to make their successful transition into adult life.

A desire to succeed, to do everything you do to the best of your ability, to take pride in your achievements and the achievements of other members of the school family, no matter how small, is what makes us unique and what makes us confident that we are "A School to be Proud of".

Miss S. Asquith
HEADTEACHER



TO BE PROUD OF



PROUD OF OUR CURRICULUM

Our curriculum is ambitious for all students, and we are proud of the range of subjects and opportunities we offer.

Reading is a priority and KS3 students have an individualised plan which ranges from supporting early readers with their phonics to encouraging our most competent and confident readers to access challenging texts.

In KS4, our curriculum enables students to access additional GCSE courses such as GCSE Astronomy as well as GCSEs in French, Spanish, Polish, Portuguese and Arabic.

Learning doesn't just take place in the classroom and our extensive extra-curricular programme, BOOST, and our enrichment programme are planned to maximise experiences for our students.

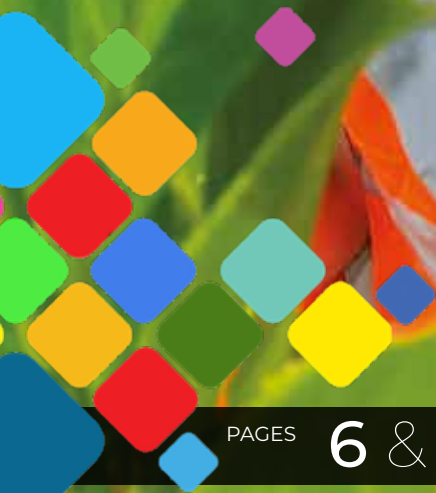
Proud of our curriculum







Proud of our Past



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PROUD OF OUR PASTORAL SUPPORT

Care, guidance and support at Ashton Community Science College is centred on the quality of our relationships with students. We know our students very well and support them at every level of ability, always looking to their strengths and allowing them space to grow as individuals.

Collectively we uphold an ethos where students feel safe, are happy and develop into confident and successful learners through a strong pastoral system.

We have a family of specialist support staff who work alongside form tutors and teachers to help your child throughout their time in the school.

oral Support

Students join us knowing that they can fulfil their academic potential as well as developing essential skills for success both in and beyond the classroom. We want them to be proud of their own achievements and that of their school.

PROUD OF OUR INCLUSION

Here at Ashton we are a family and everyone is included. We know that sometimes learning and life at school can be a challenge and our aim is to ensure that everyone can access all parts of school life and enjoy their time with us.

Within our main school, students are included through staff making reasonable adjustments to the curriculum and life in school to ensure that everyone can access all aspects. This may be through support in class, interventions, lunch and break support and after school clubs.

Some of our students may join us part way through the school year having moved to the country. These students are supported by our EAL teacher, Mrs Salters, who is on hand ready to help students access learning in a new language and joining in school life.

We are fortunate that the local authority has also introduced two specialist units on site:

Deaf Support SERF

The students are based in our learning support building the Hive, but also access lessons in our main school, as well as having specialist input and support.

Social communication difficulties SEN unit

This is for students with social communication difficulties. These students also access lessons in our main school alongside their specialist teacher input and interventions.

Students from both units access all parts of school life and the specialist teachers within the units also support colleagues and students in the main school, as well as providing support to other schools.

Proud of our inclusion



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PROUD OF OUR OPPORTUNITIES

At ACSC we are not only driven to ensure our students achieve academic success, but also in how they develop their character, personal values, skills and attributes. Our curriculum extends beyond the academic classrooms and provides students broader life experiences to assist in discovering their own interests, talents and opinions.

We pride ourselves in offering and providing broad and varied activities, that suit the needs of all students.

Here are some of the things we offer that we are most proud of...

Student Leadership Programme

We feel that being a student leader, at ACSC, is not only a fantastic opportunity to develop personal and employability skills but also allows our students to give something back to peers and bring about positive changes to our school through the school council. We strive to ensure our students are as ready as possible for life after ACSC and we believe that the leadership opportunities available across all year groups provides a pathway for their transferrable skills to develop.



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BOOST Clubs ('Building On Our School Time')

Extra-curricular activities are fundamental to our students' personal developments. BOOST Clubs encourage students to broaden their horizons and try new things, but also build on skills they already have and share their expertise with others. We understand the importance of offering a broad range of BOOST clubs, to meet the needs of our students and they are fully involved in the creation of each half term programme. In addition to a wide range of sporting clubs, our unique BOOST clubs also include Duke of Edinburgh Award, bee keeping, retro gaming, Quad / Diggery squad, skittles LGBTQ+ and additional GCSE courses eg astronomy, foreign languages and statistics.

Careers

Our bespoke careers programme is designed to raise the aspirations of all pupils in school from the minute they begin their transition in Year 6 to continued support after they leave us in Year 11. We pride ourselves on the careers provision we offer, successfully meeting the Gatsby benchmarks and catering for all individual needs. Our permanent Careers Advisor in school offers impartial Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) and ensures that all pupils feel equipped and inspired to take on their futures.

Students have opportunities to visit local colleges and universities, take part in the Scholars programme helping them to develop the knowledge, skills and confidence to secure a place at a competitive university. Our curriculum provides the opportunities for students to engage with employers and in addition all Year 10 students are engaged in a weeklong work experience being placed in businesses across Preston and beyond.



PROUD OF OUR COMMUNITY

Reaching out to the local community is integral to the life of an Ashton student.

Through various annual events, we provide our students with the chance to get involved in life beyond school, with an emphasis on helping groups of people and organisations who rely on public support to assist those who need it most.

The students organise activities for national fund-raising events throughout the year such as Children in Need and Comic Relief which are always successful. However, it is our two home-grown events that we are most proud of each year.

At Christmas, our yearly Reverse Advent scheme aims to provide much needed food donations to three local charities at a time when homelessness hits people the hardest. We are pleased to support the Foxton Centre, the Pantry @ Ingol and the Emmaus Community for homeless people in Ribblesdale and look forward to continuing these links for many years to come.

In the summer months, preparation for our highly successful Docks to Disney event gets underway with a team of committed staff and students working collaboratively to raise funds for a nominated charity. Our aim is to collectively run or walk the 6,777km from Preston Docks to Disney to raise as much money as possible for local organisations such as Rosemere Cancer Foundation, RPH Baby beat Appeal, Research into childhood brain tumours and most recently, the much-loved Derian House.

We look forward to forging new community links each year.

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Proud of our success



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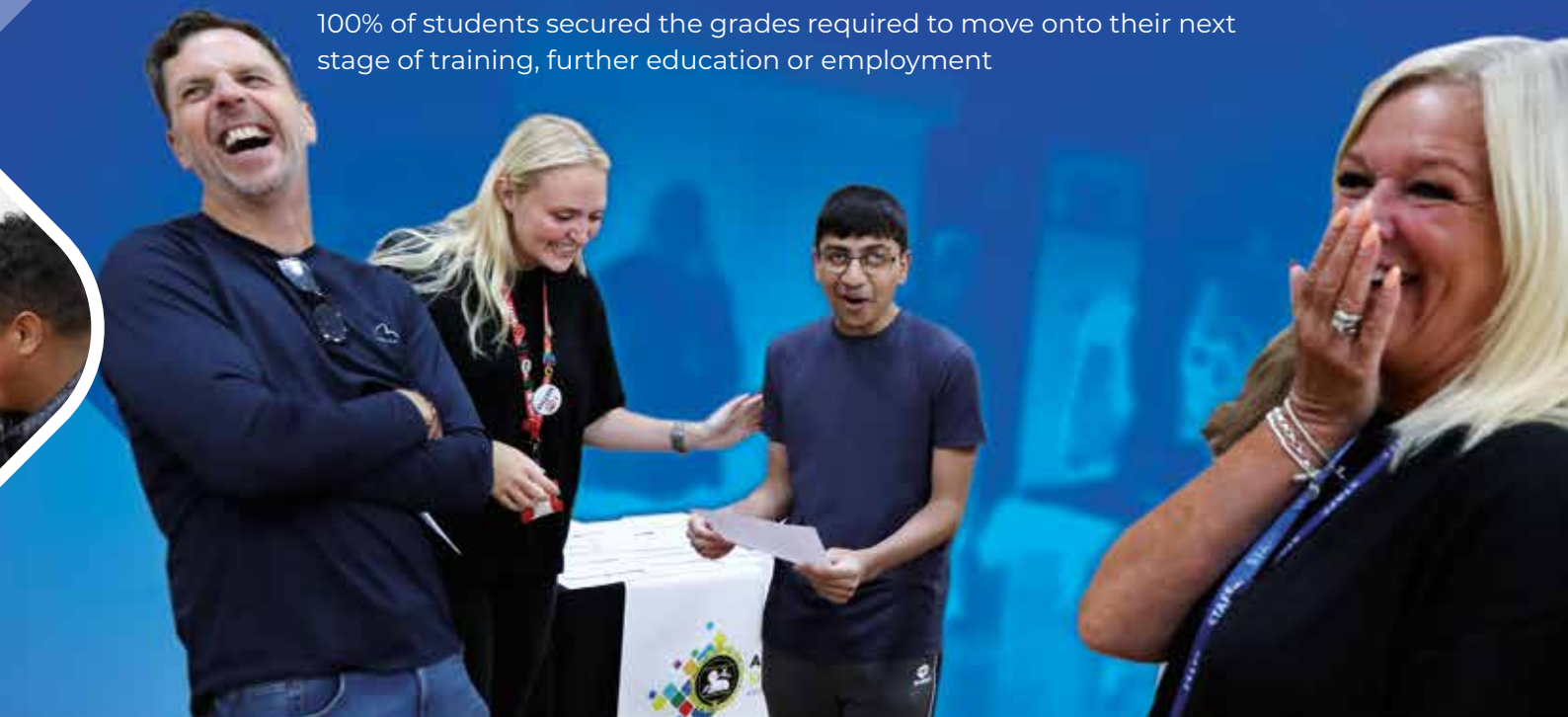
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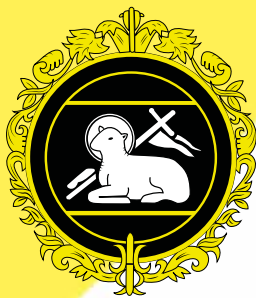
Congratulations to our 21-22 cohort who have broken the school's performance record. You are the highest performing year group to date. We couldn't be more proud.

The highest number of grade 9s achieved with 47 in total

50% of the cohort EXCEEDED their expected grades

100% of students secured the grades required to move onto their next stage of training, further education or employment





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