

## WELCOME

### WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU ARE CONSIDERING LOSTOCK HALL ACADEMY FOR YOUR CHILD.

In a rapidly changing society, we believe it is essential to equip our students with the right skills, knowledge and experiences, preparing them for the world of work.

We are frequently praised for our very positive ethos. Our students are well behaved, very much valued as individuals and they have a positive attitude to learning. They are proud of our Academy and feel safe and supported here.

The students are the reason for our existence and the best advert for the school. As well as encouraging our students to reach their academic potential, we provide opportunities for them to develop their sporting, cultural, artistic and musical talents to the full.

Lostock Hall Academy prides itself on being a school that actively engages in current reading and research regarding high-quality education and learning. Over the years the Academy has evolved to embrace the constant flux of curriculum, assessment and pedagogy and view constant change and development as inherent to our pursuit of excellence. Teachers at Lostock Hall Academy never cease to explore successful learning for all.

We offer a broad and rich curriculum. but we don't believe in a "one size fits all" approach for education. Personalised learning lies at the heart of what we do, and all students are encouraged and supported to achieve their personal best. Through this guiding and nurturing approach and a combination of high expectation and personal support, all students are encouraged to achieve academic excellence.

We understand how important it is to relate our students' education to further and higher education and have strong links with colleges and universities. Beyond this we forge links with the world of work to signpost pathways into future careers and to give students the best chance to succeed.

This is a remarkable school: a very happy and welcoming community. Come and see for yourself.

Mrs G F Gorman, Principal





"THIS SCHOOL CONTINUES TO BE GOOD...

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equipping our learners with knowledge, skills, values and behaviours to achieve their full potential in a safe, stimulating and supportive environment. Our students will be proud to achieve a successful career path through transition into work or training in all walks of adult life.





### LEARNING EXCELLENCE

### AT LOSTOCK HALL ACADEMY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS APPROACH LEARNING WITH A GROWTH MINDSET.

Staff believe in their students and teach students to believe in themselves. Although lessons are challenging, teachers deliberately employ metacognition methods that enable students to gain a deep understanding of how they learn, personally. The teaching approach to the SEND learner is holistic and carefully considers the pedagogy that supports their specific learning need in the classroom. These reflections encourage hard work and

resilience, nurturing independent learners equipped with the skills for life beyond the school gate.

- The Global Faculty consists of English, History, Geography, Modern Foreign Languages and Media.
- The Creative Faculty brings together Music, Performing Arts, Art and Design, Photography, Food Technology, Drama, Beliefs, Philosophy and Ethics. and Personal Development.
- The STEM Faculty integrates the areas of Science, Engineering, Maths, Design Technology, Business Studies, Computer Science and Physical

Education, creating critical thinkers and fostering the next generation of innovators.

Although these subjects are taught as distinct and separate subjects, the faculties represent larger teams with a shared intent: to nurture students' thirst for knowledge about the world we live in now and empower students to believe that they can contribute to and influence the future. Specifically, alongside subject-specific content, the faculties aim to ensure that students gain a deep understanding of diverse cultures, human behaviour, societies in their context, the planet we share and tomorrow's world.









OUR APPROACH
TO EDUCATION
IS DESIGNED TO
ENABLE, CHALLENGE
AND SUPPORT EVERY
STUDENT.



Lostock Hall Academy is an academy that engages in educational research and embraces change to secure the very best education for its students. The 'technology in education revolution' that enabled students to keep learning through two lockdowns is being sustained at LHA through a 1:1 device scheme, shaping independent, digitally literate and confident learners, primed for successful futures.





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# Space for students to discover their passions

WE CREATE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILD TO BECOME THE BEST PERSON THEY CAN BE, IN THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL WAY.





investment in its fabric over recent years, creating inspiring teaching and recreational spaces.

The Academy's Trustees support continued investment in modern facilities, whilst becoming increasingly cognisant of our environmental impact and the need to take substantive steps to reduce our carbon footprint.

### **CHALLENGE**

### TEAMWORK, LEADERSHIP, CONFIDENCE, COMMUNICATION:

Many of the skills most important to our students' future success are developed outside the classroom.

Students at Lostock Hall Academy are provided with many opportunities to develop socially and as fully rounded individuals and citizens. Students broaden their horizons through a wide variety of extra-curricular activities.

We promote fitness and opportunity for all, offering a wide range of activities including: athletics, football, badminton, table-tennis, netball and a host of other sports.

Music and Drama also flourish at LHA. Several groups and ensembles rehearse each week, and our talented students give stunning performances and productions.

For many of our students their appetite for learning is further supported through UK based fieldwork in Geography, Science and the Arts, visits to the theatre and museums, an outdoor activity experience in Year 7, as well as international trips, most recently to Italy, Iceland, Belgium and Poland.

There is also a full programme of lunchtime and after school activities and clubs: Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, Chess Club, Lego Robotics Club, Science Club, Eco Club, Forest School, Drama and Dance Clubs, Sculpture and Sewing Clubs, Photography, Choir and Brass Band as well as charity based projects within our local community. Whatever your child's interests and abilities are, they will be encouraged to find their niche.

LHA is hugely successful at nurturing the character attributes of our young learners and equipping them with the skills, resilience and emotional intelligence necessary for them to make a resounding success of their lives.









# Embracing a changing future

AS WE DEVELOP CAREER AWARENESS AND
BROADEN HORIZONS, WE AIM TO RAISE ASPIRATIONS,
BUILD RESILIENCE, ENSURE ENJOYMENT AND
INDEPENDENCE IN LEARNING FOR ALL STUDENTS
AND PROVIDE A RANGE OF MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES
LINKED TO THE LABOUR MARKET, ALONG WITH
ENCOUNTERS WITH FURTHER AND HIGHER
EDUCATION TO SUPPORT PERSONALISED CAREER PATHS.





Because each of our students are individual, we understand that each have their own particular needs, talents and aptitudes.

At LHA, we have developed a culture and structure that supports individuals in a happy and safe environment in which to learn and grow.

Our Character Advancement Programme recognises and rewards achievement in character development, improving opportunities for our students to broaden their out-ofthe-classroom experiences through volunteering, being part of a club, and upholding the values of the Academy. We encourage and support all of our students to thrive at LHA and be good citizens for life.

This care and support is integral to our ethos and visitors to the school often comment on our happy and caring environment, praising the level and quality of the support for students' safety and wellbeing.





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