



# Ramsden Hall Academy

## Statement of Purpose

**Welcome to our “Outstanding” residential academy**



Ramsden Hall residential / boarding is a part of your school and our job is to educate and care for pupils just like you.

The school can take up to 100 boys and here in boarding we can take up to 40 boys in total. All boys from our school from year 6-11.

Everyone that comes to our school has a reason to attend here rather than go to a main stream school so we all have to be considerate, patient and respectful to each other. We want you to get the best out of your time here so we hope to offer you a safe space where you can be yourself and others can be themselves too.

Staff are all trained in how to look after you and we are really good at listening, so if you need help with anything.....just ask.



Boarding is a choice, and if you “choose” to board it is because you, your family and we have agreed that it will help you to make friends, try new activities, attend school more and do better in school so that you reach your full exam and life potential. We can be really flexible and will treat you as an individual to make sure you enjoy it and have fun.



When you first ask about boarding we will talk to your family and see how they feel before inviting them to visit us and hear about what we do. After your induction, and several trial nights, you will start at 1 night per week to board

After you have got a little used to boarding we hope, and will encourage you, to move towards boarding 2, then 3, then up to 4 nights per week. This will support the relationships you build with staff and other boarders which will also help you to better manage the school day and make you feel more 'at home' and a more positive and friendly place for you.

Sometimes during the school day you may fall out with another boys, these things happen, but if you are both boarding we will need to make sure you make up and can get along before you board together again. I hope that's ok?



We will also work with the school to help us all understand you a little better. Sometimes this is with counsellors and sometimes this is with staff who have had lots of experience and training in how to support you. Our aim is to help you have fun while learning so that when you get to year 11 you will have the best chance to do really well in your exams, plus you have made lots of friends along the way and learnt lots of life skills too.





## Ramsden Hall Residential

The residential building may seem large..... that's because it is! We have 24 single bedrooms with en-suite shower rooms, and 8 twin bedrooms with an adjacent shower or bathroom. However, if you are in a twin room you will not be staying on the same night as another boy in your room, so no need to worry about sharing with anyone. We have four lounges with a large TV and comfy sofas, a lounge for reading playing cards, cooking or quiet games, a cinema room with extra-large TV and beanbags, a senior/games room with pool table, darts board and drum set, plus an American 50's style diner. We also have a large garden and hard play area as well as being able to use the school grounds when we choose, including the swimming pool and woodland.



To help keep you safe we have CCTV image recording and voice recording around the outside of the residential building and CCTV visual recording in the corridors, but not in the lounges or your bedrooms/bathrooms, this is your private space. The bedroom doors also have a sensor so that if you need staff at night you just need to open your door and sit in your doorway and the night awake will come to support you. Please talk to Tara if you have any questions or worries about this.

All our staff are lovely and only want the best for you so if you need anything just talk to:-

Tara - Head of Residential Care  
Caroline – Senior Care Officer  
Nikki – Senior Care Worker  
Tash - Senior Care Worker  
Sandra – Care Worker  
Chloe – Care Worker  
Mia – Care Worker  
Matt – Night awake (lead)  
Kane – Night awake

All staff are qualified and trained (or in training) in how to look after you, but we don't know everything, so if you are struggling with anything please let us know and I expect we will be able to change something to help you a little better.

You will do lots of fun activities, such as swimming, ice skating, youth club, bike riding, cinema, playing in the sports hall, playing nerf gun, "run outs/IT" and going to the park, to name a few.



We want you to have fun and be confident to give you the best chance to succeed and progress into adult life.

### **Ramsden Hall mission statement**

We aim to give all our pupils and families the hope, compassion, experience and qualifications to enable them to take their place in the world



I am so pleased that you have decided to give boarding a try, I am sure you will love it.