



2025

PROSPECTUS



Welcome to Churchill Community College

Churchill Community College is proud to serve our local community: we look forward to building on the traditions and core values that sit at the heart of Churchill as we move forward this year into an exciting phase of our school's development.

We are working alongside the North East Learning Trust to provide a quality education for our young people as we develop their knowledge and skills, preparing them for not only their time with us but at each stage of their journey in school and beyond.

I am proud to lead a team of truly dedicated staff who are the lifeblood of this school. They have a genuine pride for Churchill Community College and the local community, and care greatly about your children's futures. We pride ourselves on our strong sense of community and our belief that a child's experience of school should be rooted in our core values of 'Community, Aspiration, Perseverance, Respect and Integrity.'

Choosing who should educate your child as they evolve into young adults is an important decision, and I am delighted that you are considering Churchill Community College. I warmly invite you to enjoy our open evening and to see our achievements and experience the wonderful atmosphere in our school for yourself. Until then, the following pages are designed to give you a small insight into who we are and what we are about here at Churchill.



Mrs J Lamb
(Executive Headteacher)

The Churchill Journey

As students journey through school, we see them experiencing success as they continually grow and develop, both in their core knowledge and understanding of the curriculum but also as young individuals.

Our dedicated staff follow their path through school, ensuring we get to know the children in our care. This personalised approach to learning can't be underestimated, especially as students move into sixth form, where the working relationships that have developed over the years give students a great head start for the demanding years ahead.

As the journey ends, and our young people begin the next exciting phase of life, students remain proud of their time at Churchill Community College because they are an important part of our community and we know they will carry this feeling of identity and belonging into adulthood. We know this from the regular visits we receive from ex-students, keen to report on their lives beyond school as they tell us about the enduring positive impact that our staff have had on their lives.

ACCEPTANCE of each other

Genuine **PRIDE**

APPROACHABILITY

CONSISTENT high aspirations

Ongoing **IMPROVEMENT**

FOCUSSED attendance

CONSISTENCY to become a better person

PERSONALISATION

Students mix with each other



Learning

is a journey, not a

Destination

Our Vision & Values

Our values and core beliefs are simple and inspired by the community of Churchill Community College: everyone in our school is an individual with hopes and aspirations and every child, every member of staff, is an integral part of the wider community.

We believe in equipping students with the tools needed to allow them to persevere so they can reach their goals. Children come to Churchill Community College to learn and ultimately leave with the qualifications that give them the best chance to access further study or rewarding careers. However, we also pride ourselves on the work we do not just to educate children academically, but to educate them as young citizens.

We work hard to instil traditional values and important life skills across the whole school and we start by ensuring that our school is a safe and caring environment where staff are approachable and where mutual respect dominates. Churchill Community College is a place where individuality is valued and where tolerance, acceptance and inclusiveness run deep.



Aspiration

We strive
to be the best we can be



We look after
one another and ourselves



We are proud
to belong to our school and local area



Integrity

We are honest
and do and say the right thing



Perseverance

We never give up,
even when we find something hard



Respect

We are polite, kind and considerate
of the feelings and rights of others



"Every
student is
Unique"



Aspiration & Achievement

Aspiration is a core part of our values here at Churchill. We know that our young people are individuals with their own ambitions, goals and aspirations. We also know that each child succeeds in different ways and it is our job to ensure they have everything they need to allow them to flourish. An important part of our work is ensuring quality teaching in the classroom, supported by an environment that enables students to develop their talent, build their confidence and grow as young people. We encourage all students, regardless of their ability, to work hard and reach their full potential by providing a challenging curriculum that allows them to stretch themselves.

We also know that students will require additional interventions and targeted support to help them progress through school. A key part of supporting our students' aspiration is a careers education from year 7 onwards, including opportunities for university and college visits, with work experience designed to broaden their experience and prepare them for the next stage of their journey. We also have enrichment activities and events in school to support a culture of aspiration, embedding in each child the belief that they can pursue their interest and passions as they learn about the range of future choices available to them.

Confidence
talents
passions

IS BUILT,
ARE NURTURED
ARE PURSUED



"Everyone
is given the
chance to Thrive"

Getting Involved

The House System

At Churchill Community College, every student and staff member join a House when they become a member of our school. Our Houses are all named after shuttles or projects linked to space exploration and aim to encourage our students to always reach for the stars. Students will be placed into either Discovery, Atlantis, Ranger or Endeavour and will work together to gain points for their respective houses.

Extracurricular Activities

Students can choose to participate in a wide range of activities including journalism, STEM club, lego robotics, board games club, alongside lots of other options.

Student Council

Our Student Council includes young people from across all of our year groups. They meet on a half termly basis to explore different areas of daily life at Churchill and work with staff to develop key areas, including student life, extracurricular engagement and helping the environment.

Sports

Sport is a key aspect of life at Churchill Community College. This includes a range of opportunities for students to explore a wide variety of different sports, both during lessons and outside of the classroom. These include football, rugby, basketball and many more!

Educational Visits

At Churchill, we know that the opportunity to explore outside of the classroom is a vital part of a child's education. This is why, every year, students take part in a number of different visits to broaden their cultural experiences. In the past, students have visited local theatres, historical sites, while many students travel abroad with visits to Barcelona, Belgium and even Czechia.

The Arts

We are extremely proud of our very talented students at Churchill and our production team work hard every year to put on a range of fantastic performances. In recent years, these have included Annie, Matilda and, more recently, Legally Blonde Jr.



Students

are Confident
and Motivated

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Why Choose Churchill

Teaching and learning

Students at Churchill Community college will access a broad and balanced curriculum, designed in collaboration with our other Trust schools. Working with the North East Learning Trust allows us to collaborate with a range of professionals, drawing upon a well of experience, dedicated to providing a quality education so each child can experience excellence everyday. Part of our aim is to develop skilled professionals who can support, nurture and develop the children in our care through quality in the classroom and a focus on each child's personal development.

Facilities

Here at Churchill Community College we enjoy a range of facilities from our extensive grounds, sporting facilities that include dance studios and a fitness room to our auditorium for our young dramatists. We have fully equipped specialist classrooms, including access to a library. More recently, Churchill has new, modern, purpose built, modular classrooms that provide spacious, fully equipped classrooms for our young learners.

Pursuing excellence

The goal at Churchill Community College is to ensure every child experiences excellence every day. We are a committed team of staff dedicated to each child's development: we work hard to deliver our vision and believe strongly in our core values of 'Community, Aspiration, Perseverance, Respect and Integrity.' It is those shared beliefs that drive us forward as we work tirelessly to ensure each student in our care enjoys the whole experience of school life, both within the academic environment of the classroom to the enrichment opportunities and extra-curricular opportunities we offer beyond.

"Our son is really enjoying his time at Churchill both academically and socially. His self-confidence grows each and every day".

"Going to secondary school is a biig step for any child, but the staff have made our son enjoy going to school".

"She loves the extra-curricular activites after school, and is now trying out for parts in the College productions thanks to her drama teacher".

"Staff genuinely care about the education students receive, and want all of the students to reach their true potential through hard work and dedication".

"Happiness breeds confidence and our daughter is loving life at Churchill, with new friends and new challenges".

"Our son struggles at time with some subjects, but all of the teachers take the time to explain, help and motivate him in all of his lessons".

"I feel that the Pastoral Care really stands out as a positive as all of the staff have put my daughter at ease and have been there to answer her questions and support her".

"The communication between the school and parents is clear and precise".

North East Learning Trust

Churchill Community College is working alongside the North East Learning Trust. NELT is widely regarded as providing some of the best education in the region, with children making significant progress from their starting points, achieving impressive exam results, and going on to access a range of well-respected further and higher education opportunities.

NELT has grown to 13 schools with an impressive series of rapid school improvements. Without exception, every school that has joined NELT as 'inadequate' or 'requiring improvement' as judged by Ofsted, has improved by two whole grades to become 'good' or 'outstanding.' This success is a testament to the unwavering dedication of a talented regional network of staff. NELT is deeply committed to teacher development.

It operates North East SCITT, a dedicated training arm for new teachers, ensuring the highest standards of teaching expertise are embedded from the start of new teachers' careers. Additionally, as a National Teaching School Hub, NELT is one of 87 centres across England offering teachers high quality training and development throughout their careers. NELT's founding school, The Academy at Shotton Hall, is also a National Research School, one of just 23 in England that up-skill teachers using cutting-edge research. NELT is led by outstanding educators, including Dame Lesley Powell CBE, who actively contributes to regional and national educational development. It has also built up a wide network of specialist teachers and other experienced professionals to support schools on their paths to becoming outstanding.



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