



Shipston High School

Learning

Ambition

Respect

Achievement

Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to Shipston High School; our fantastic school is child centred and high achieving, a school committed to nurturing every student's potential in a vibrant, inclusive, and supportive environment. Our committed staff work with dedication to deliver a rich and challenging curriculum, ensuring that every student is inspired to achieve academic excellence and personal growth.

Standards of learning and achievement are impressive at Shipston High School, although we are firm in our view that education is about more than exam results; it's about developing confident, compassionate, and resilient young people who are ready to make a positive impact in the world. Our school community thrives on mutual respect, high expectations, and a shared passion for learning.

Whether you are a prospective student, parent, or visitor, I invite you to explore all that our school has to offer. The success of our young people is at the heart of our mission. Together, we create futures of success, opportunity, and lifelong learning.

This prospectus offers a glimpse of the vibrant life of the school. Enjoy reading about our work, and then please do come and see our excellent school for yourself.

G. Saunders BA(hons) MA,
Shipston High School Headteacher



Our School, Our Responsibility

At the heart of our school is a strong sense of community, where every student is known, valued, and supported. We are proud to be part of the Three Rivers Alliance, working in partnership with local schools to share expertise and broaden opportunities for all our learners.

We are guided by a set of core values that shape everything we do:

- **Learning** – We inspire curiosity and a love of learning that lasts a lifetime.
- **Ambition** – We encourage every student to aim high and believe in their potential.
- **Respect** – We foster a culture of kindness, inclusion, and mutual respect.
- **Achievement** – We celebrate success in all its forms, both in and beyond the classroom.

“Pupils are at the centre of school life at Shipston High. They uphold the school’s values of learning, respect, ambition and achievement in their actions. Learning is valued highly by all, and there are positive relationships between staff and pupils. Pupils are mature, polite and considerate of others.”

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"I think it's a brilliant school, the teachers push you to your limits to help you achieve your goals."

Archie, Year 8



An Aspirational Curriculum

Our curriculum is designed to challenge, inspire, and prepare students for success in a rapidly changing world. We offer a broad and balanced programme of study, combining academic rigour with creative and practical learning opportunities.

Our curriculum is carefully structured to build knowledge, develop skills, and foster a love of learning across all subjects.

We are proud that our students consistently achieve results above the national average, reflecting the high standards we set and the ambition we cultivate. Whether progressing to further education, apprenticeships, or employment, our learners leave us confident, capable, and ready for the future.

"Pupils show positive attitudes towards learning. This is clear through their written work and the pride they have in their achievements."

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Inclusive Community

As a small school with a strong sense of community, we pride ourselves on knowing every student as an individual. Our inclusive approach ensures that all learners, including those with Special Educational Needs (SEN), feel supported, valued, and able to thrive.

We create a calm, welcoming and nurturing environment where students feel safe, understood, and confident to be themselves. Our dedicated staff work closely with families and external professionals to provide tailored support that meets each student's unique needs.

Every child is encouraged to take part, grow in confidence, and achieve their personal best; because at our school, everyone belongs.

"The school clearly fosters a supportive and inclusive atmosphere, encouraging every student to take part at their own level. This positive environment helps them grow in confidence and reach their full potential."

Parent





My Progress Record Sheet

Name: _____

Date	What I need to achieve	Progress made	Target



"The school has great facilities, it's a nice place to be and a caring environment."

Harry, Year 7

Student Growth

At our school, each year group is cared for by a Head of Academic Standards, ensuring that students are guided, supported and challenged to be their best selves. Our structured praise and reward system recognises effort, progress, and achievement, motivating students to strive for excellence.

Leadership opportunities are embedded throughout school life. From Form Representatives to Prefects, students are encouraged to take on responsibilities, develop their voice, and contribute positively to our school community.



Beyond the classroom

We are proud to offer a rich and varied extra-curricular programme that encourages students to explore their interests, develop new skills, and grow in confidence.

Our extensive sports provision includes rugby, netball, hockey, football, basketball, tennis, cross-country, and athletics. Many of our students go on to represent the school at county, regional, and national levels, reflecting both talent and dedication.

Beyond sport, we offer a wide range of clubs and activities to suit every interest – from Code Club to Debate Club, creative arts to Eco Club. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a popular and rewarding challenge, with many students participating annually.

These opportunities help students build friendships, resilience, and leadership – preparing them for life beyond the classroom.

"I performed in the musical and it was hard work but so much fun! I had the opportunity to act, dance and sing which I love!"

Isabelle, Year 10





Securing Futures

We are proud of our students' ambition and success beyond Year 11. The vast majority progress to further education, securing places at local sixth forms and colleges to continue their academic and vocational journeys.

Whether pursuing A-levels, BTECs, or specialist training, our students leave us with the confidence, qualifications, and aspirations to thrive.

We are always delighted to hear from former students, many of whom stay in touch and update us on their progress and achievements as they continue to grow and succeed.

"What stayed with me the most from my time at Shipston, was how approachable the staff were. You always felt like you could talk to someone who listened."

Harry, Headboy 2022





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