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# Ready to be part of something RIG?

A really big welcome to Duke's Aldridge Academy. We are a lively co-educational, multi ethnic academy based in North London. Our students are highly aspirational, engaging, vibrant and enthusiastic learners.



Our academy is committed to developing and nurturing young people who embrace the qualities of respect, tolerance, integrity and confidence. They underpin our belief that the role of a school, together with families and the wider community, is to support the development of well-rounded young adults.

This is a true community school. Many of our staff, including myself, grew up in N17 and we are passionate about helping our young people to become the masters of their own destiny. We are all in this work together and strive to ensure that our students receive an outstanding educational experience, which will open doors and pathways once they leave school at 16. Our motto - Inspire to Excel - is embedded in everything we do, and we're very proud to show you round Duke's so you can see first hand this fantastic learning environment where our students flourish.

We look forward to welcoming you all. Olu Kubweza, Principal

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## Your destination checklist



We're rated 'good' by Ofsted, the school inspection service.



We inspire our students to excel in a lively, engaging and safe learning environment.

Our dedicated staff go above and beyond to help our students develop life skills - integrity, respect, confidence, tolerance - which will carry them successfully through the classroom and into their lives beyond.

It is not where you come from in life, but where you get to that counts.

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We strive to provide outstanding teaching and learning within our vibrant school community.



We have some fantastic employer and community connections, to create and build exciting opportunities between education and employment for our students.

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# What to expect on your journey

- Our **curriculum** is built to stretch and challenge every learner. As a result, our formal curriculum is **broad and balanced**, underpinned by the development of skills, knowledge and understanding in literacy and numeracy.
- In Years 7 and 8, we encourage our learners to embrace curiosity, and students study a broad range of subjects.
- As they get ready to study for their GCSEs, students are fully prepared for their transition through an individual 1:1 interview to ensure that their personalised needs are being met, whilst parents are inducted into the process through a very well attended options evening.

Our inclusive curriculum design consisting of traditional GCSEs, vocational courses and foundation learning meets the needs of a diverse range of learners; from the most academically inclined, to those who are best motivated by practical



There is something for everyone, and we support every learner to be the best they can be.

approaches to learning.

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### Did you know?

We really value the arts at Duke's, and our choir 'Duke's Voices' has performed at the Royal Albert hall!

Thank you for providing us with fun and enjoyable lessons every time.

- Duke's learner

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# It's an enriching

Of course there is so much more to learning than our formal curriculum and what happens in our classrooms.

We really value our students, not just as learners, but people too. There are three strands of our personal development programme; careers, enrichment and character education. These are interwoven through our school life and give students rich experiences; through the curriculum and the extra curricular life at Duke's.

We have a huge variety of clubs and sports on offer for our students. We also regularly welcome visitors from the world of arts and industry, and our students take part in national competitions, including robotics challenges, sporting events and debating competitions.

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- Our sports teams include football, netball and handball. There's also AI club, Chess club, Reading club, Coding club, the Duke of Edinburgh Award programme; as well as opportunities for learners to become student leaders and peer mentors.
- Regular school trips include: West End theatre trips, university experiences, sports fixtures, ice skating, walking tours and much more!
  - Musical instrument tuition is heavily subsidised by the academy – all students that learn an instrument benefit from an 80% reduction to the overall cost of lessons, and up to 10 different instruments are on offer to our students.
  - To support their careers and guidance education, students in every year group also have the chance to work with mentors from the worlds of higher education, business and commerce e.g. Linklaters, the Civil Service and British Telecom.



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## Ready to enrol?

Pay us a visit - come armed with as many questions as you can think of and our brilliant staff will help to answer them!

> Join us for our opening evening - or you can come for a personal tour any time!





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# Applying is easy





https://new.haringey.gov.uk/schoolslearning/schools/school-admissions You need to apply through the Haringey LA website - here's a handy (QR) shortcut:

Put Duke's down as your first choice!



School places are confirmed in March - and we can't wait to see you at Duke's in September!

#### APPLICATIONS

Applications to secondary schools open in September, and your application needs to be in by October 31st.

#### FIND OUT MORE

Take a look at our website for more information, or you can speak to us directly - our contact details are on the back.

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