

St. Peter's Collegiate School

A Church of England Academy





“ *In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.* ”

Matthew 7:12

Welcome

A warm welcome to St. Peter's Collegiate Academy.

We are an 11-18 Church of England Academy, which has served the community of Wolverhampton since the school was founded in 1844. This is a highly successful Academy where Christian values are at the heart of everything we do. Our much loved family Academy embraces innovative teaching and learning within a caring, loving and secure environment.

Our continually evolving curriculum offers breadth, choice and flexibility for all our students. It is firmly rooted in the Christian Gospel and embraces tolerance and respect for all other religious traditions represented in Wolverhampton.

I am thrilled with the many successes that our students achieve and there is significant focus within the school of striving to be the best we can be. The tremendous pastoral care that exists at the school underpins everything we do.

We strive to ensure that every student is encouraged to unlock their God given potential and we would be delighted if you were to choose St. Peter's for your child's secondary education.

Jon Arnold
Principal



“Live life, live faith!”

Christian Ethos

Our Academy seeks to be a worshipping Christian community built on the Golden Rule (Matthew 7:12) and we recognise that our mission is to educate the whole person so that each may be enabled to unlock their full God-given potential. We pride ourselves on having high aspirations and expectations of our staff and students so they can be successful in all aspects of their lives – spiritually, academically, in society, and in the world of work.

At the heart of our vision is Jesus' teaching, 'do to others what you would have them do to you' and at St. Peter's we aim to encourage all students to recognise the importance of this teaching, how it helps us to recognise and celebrate the diversity in our city and the values we have in common. By doing to others as we would have done to us we love and serve one another as Jesus did and enable all to flourish.

Our Keys to Learning play a pivotal role in this. They support students in their learning and to become well-rounded members of society, as well as helping them to grow in faith:

- ✦ Be Respectful: "Do to others as you would like done to you." Matthew 7:12
- ✦ Be Responsible: "We will all have to explain to God the things we have done.." Romans 14:12
- ✦ Be Supportive: "A friend loves at all times." Proverbs 17:17
- ✦ Be Reflective: "Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves." Philippians 2:3
- ✦ Be an Active Learner: "Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1

Worship is an immensely important aspect of our community life at St. Peter's. The Academy has a long association with St Peter's Collegiate Church located in Wolverhampton town centre. We celebrate Eucharist at St. Peter's Church to mark a number of occasions: year seven Dedication Service, Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Easter, St. Peter's Day and the end of the academic year. In school, there are daily acts of either form or collective worship, which help all to live out the school's vision. All students are encouraged to take an active part in worship and be prayerful.

Our Religious Education department supports and enhances student experiences of Christianity and the main world faiths. This is done in accordance with guidance given by the Church of England Education Office and the Diocese of Lichfield.



“ A curriculum promoting high expectations, recognising different styles of teaching and learning, breadth of achievement and methods of assessment which demonstrate equal concern for the educational needs and aspirations of all. ”

The Curriculum

St. Peter's offers a curriculum which is relevant to the needs and aspirations of all of our students and which engages their interest and commitment. The Curriculum is enriched by an excellent careers education and guidance programme, which makes a significant contribution to preparing students thoroughly for the world of work or further study.

The programme of study in Key Stage 3 enables all students to follow the core of the National Curriculum, while additionally sampling a wide variety of foundation subjects.

At Key Stage 4 students follow the statutory core subjects of English, Maths, Science, Physical Education, a Humanity and, at St Peter's, RE. There are a wide variety of option subjects that may be selected from, which may change year on year dependant on the needs and aspirations of that specific cohort. A guided choice of two options, in addition to the core, is offered.

In the Sixth Form, the breadth of our provision is outstanding and we offer facilitating subjects, at A-Level, BTEC and CTEC, needed for entry into university. An exciting programme of vocational subjects, online courses and enrichment studies support our drive to offer students a pathway to their future success.





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Links with local Primary Schools



St. Peter's Collegiate Academy has close links with more than 90 Primary schools in the Wolverhampton area and beyond.

Each Year our Head of Year 7 visits Year 5 students in their Primary schools to speak about school choices, our Open Day and transition into Year 7.

We offer cross-phase workshops led by subject specialists in English, Science, Music, Geography, Business and Computing to Year 5 students interested in experiencing lessons at St. Peter's.

Our students visit local Primary schools to lead worship and this year a group of Sixth Form students will be going out to Primary schools to support Year 5 students in their core subjects.

Invitations are extended to Primary schools for their students to attend Arts and Music events – most recently our production of *Les Miserables* (March 2019) and the Big Band Concert (January 2019). Invitations will be sent to Primary Schools to attend our forthcoming production of *Sister Act* in March 2022.

Every Year 6 student who is in receipt of a place in Year 7 for September, will be visited by St Peter's teaching staff at their Primary school. The Primary Liaison visit is designed to familiarise our new students with the expectations and systems in place at St. Peter's and begin to allay any fears or anxieties about transition. Information gathered at these meetings is used to put in place individualised support for students when they begin at St. Peter's.

Each July we hold an Induction Day for the 220 Year 6 pupils joining us in September to enable them to meet their Form Tutors, begin to understand the school's systems and expectations and experience Teaching and Learning within new subject areas. Individual tours are also offered, by request, for students who are unable to attend on Induction Day or for whom more individualised support may be required.





Reception

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Students

with Special Educational Needs



At St. Peter's we firmly believe that all Students have the right to access all areas of the curriculum whatever their ability. The SEND Co-ordinator (SENDCO) leads a team of Teaching Assistants who work closely with Subject Teachers, Pastoral and Safeguarding Teams to ensure that the specific needs of individual students are met in the Classroom and that the Curriculum available meets their needs.

We aim to enable all students to achieve their God-given potential and become well-rounded young adults who are prepared for life and their next phase of learning. Difference and Diversity strengthen our School and life experience, and is something we value and celebrate.

We recognise that strong emotional and mental health makes happy learners and we support our Learners in building resilience, skills and strategies to adapt and flourish in a listening and can do environment.

The Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Department (SEND) works with students, Parents, Teachers and Outside Agencies to give students with additional needs the best possible chance of success.



Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Team has responsibility for inclusion, safeguarding and the welfare of students throughout the school. Each Year Group has a designated Head of Year, and they are supported by an Assistant Head of Year. Their role is to support the students throughout their time at St. Peter's, monitoring their wellbeing, academic progress, and conduct. The Head of Year works closely with Form Tutors to ensure that all students feel secure at school and they also liaise with parents and outside agencies. We take our duty to safeguard children very seriously and follow statutory guidelines regarding child protection. We are a 'telling' school; this means that we do not tolerate bullying in any form.

We offer a range of support services; we have a range of provisions to support students who maybe struggling and dedicated staff fully trained in areas of behavioural management. Here at St Peter's we have introduced a RAISE Hub. This is a space where students can get support with their mental health and emotional wellbeing, and is ran by a specialist member of staff. St. Peter's offers a high quality, safe, caring environment, in which we educate the whole child and one in which every child matters.



“ A safe and secure environment. All members of our community will: recognise that everyone is made in the image of God and so will be valued in a spirit of mutual respect and tolerance, challenge all forms of stereotyping, prejudice and discrimination. ”

Curriculum Enhancement



Our belief is that life outside the classroom is vitally important. Educating the whole person means that at St. Peter's the calendar is full of rich and diverse enrichment and enhancement activities. The staff at St. Peter's are keen to offer activities that students will engage with and enjoy, enabling them to unlock their full potential.

A timetable of sessions, for all year groups is put together to support students' academic progress and attainment. Education at St. Peter's, however, is not just about exams and exam results. We have always sought to educate the whole child. The programme we provide aims to give students opportunities to learn and explore beyond the classroom, developing new friendships across their year groups.

The academic departments run a range of school visits locally, national and internationally.

Students may visit the local theatres, take part in Geography fieldwork in South Shropshire, go on an Art trip to London or fly to Iceland with the Geography Department.

St. Peter's has a well-deserved reputation for excellence in music. Our Concert Band, Big Band and Choir have performed in prestigious venues including Lichfield Cathedral and Birmingham's Symphony Hall and have made hugely successful tours to Paris, the USA and Belgium to name just a few recent ones.

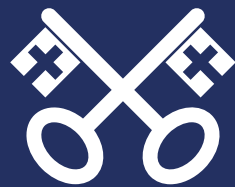
Our Drama Department has a long History of outstanding productions, which are performed in the Hayward Theatre.

The PE Department runs successful teams in a wide range of sports and organises our annual Sports Day at Aldersley Stadium in June which every student in Years 7-9, irrespective of ability, participates. A large number of our students take part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and a significant number of them make it all the way through to the Gold Award.



- *Science Club*
- *Peer Mentoring*
- *Ski Trips*
- *Music Lessons*
- *Eco Club*
- *Gardening Club*
- *Sports Clubs*
- *History Club*
- *Homework Club*
- *Bands and Choirs*
- *Mindfulness Sessions*
- *School Council*
- *Sci-Fi Club*
- *Christian Union*
- *Young Librarians/ Reading Club*





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