

FAKENHAM ACADEMY



WELCOME...



Thank you for taking an interest in Fakenham Academy. We are a local school with high ambitions.

Drawing on the support of our partner schools within Sapientia Education Trust, our key drive is to continuously improve educational outcomes for all our students. We believe that education is the key to transforming life chances, and that by creating an outstanding learning environment where all students are happy and taught well we will enhance their prospects to become productive, successful citizens of the future.

To achieve our goal of an outstanding learning environment we insist on getting the basics right day in and day out. These core standards include high expectations of everyone in our learning community; good discipline consistently applied; reliably good quality teaching; a commitment from parents to work in partnership with the academy and respectful, positive relationships between everyone in our learning community.

As a school leader it has always been paramount to me that education is more than just exam results and qualifications gained. It is about educating the whole child and making sure that whenever they leave us, they are prepared to enter today's modern world, as well rounded capable young men and women. Maintaining the broad and diverse curriculum here at Fakenham Academy is something I will always prioritise.

A large proportion of students join our Sixth Form and from there many move on to highly regarded universities across the country. These include Oxford, Cambridge and the wide range of Russell Group universities. We are also justly proud that students entering the academy with different starting points make very good progress that is above the national standards. This enables all our students to fulfil their own individual potential.



OUR VALUES

Our vision at Fakenham Academy is very simple, we want to give all young people the very best start in life that is possible.

Our aim is that when students leave us they will be equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to progress on to the next stage of their education, training or employment. Our curriculum is fully rounded, offering students opportunities both inside and outside the classroom to discover and develop their talents. Students are prepared for life in modern Britain, knowing how to relate, interact, contribute and flourish as citizens. Students value, and engage with the wide range of opportunities on offer to them. Reading is a skill which is promoted throughout all years so that students are confident, fluent and frequent readers.

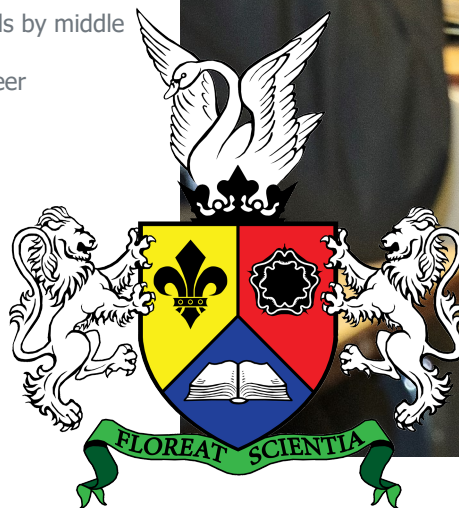
Students at Fakenham will achieve highly. The quality of pupils' work reflects their ambition to do well and their determination to succeed. Our curriculum is designed to be ambitious whilst allowing everyone to flourish. Our teachers are confident, expert practitioners in their subjects, teaching personalised and engaging lessons to all.

We have the highest expectations of students and the behaviour they display. Our students respect each other and themselves. Our students have great ambition for themselves. Our students are resilient, confident, independent learners. Our students value the education they are provided with, and are appreciative and proud of the school.

Our vision is shared by all staff, and together we are responsible for upholding and promoting the values within it. Staff are supported at all levels by middle and senior leaders in their teaching, behaviour management, career development and wellbeing.

Values:

- Kindness
- Ambition
- Determination



TEACHING & LEARNING



Staff at Fakenham Academy are experienced, both in subject knowledge and classroom delivery. Teaching staff take responsibility for their own professional development and are committed to continually improving aspect of their practice.

All teaching staff engage with ongoing professional development both internally within our own school and subject improvement, but also externally through courses, seminars, and other research bases to ensure that what is being delivered in our lessons is of the highest quality and best suited for our students to learn.

Our student leadership groups focuses on the quality of education within these lessons, and a routine part of our own quality assurance of this, is in speaking with students and parents to gain their views on how they feel their lessons, classes and curriculum can further be improved.

CARE & SUPPORT

Student Support Team

Alongside our dedicated teaching and support staff team, we also have a fantastic team that works exclusively to support students outside of lessons.

This often takes the form of pastoral and wellbeing support, but may also be linked to attendance or academic progress.

Pastoral Care and Safeguarding

Pastoral care is crucially important, and we work in close partnership with students and parents to support our young people at every stage. Our Pastoral Team is organised by year group. Each year group has a Senior Leader and Progress Leader (Head of Year) who look after the attendance, progress and wellbeing of your child. There is also a non-teacher support member of staff who is available to support students on a day to day basis. Our whole Pastoral Team work hard to ensure all our children are supported through all areas of their school life with us.

Our Student Support Leaders are available throughout the school day to support in lessons, at break/lunchtime and after school to meet with parents and discuss and overcome any barriers to students progressing at school.

In addition to this, all students have their form tutor who will always be their first point of contact if they are having issues, and they can seek support from our Student Support Leaders, Progress leaders, or a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

SENDCO

At Fakenham Academy, we recognise that every child is special and unique. We are committed to working together with all members of our community to provide the best possible education for the students in our care. Our staff are passionate and committed to meeting the needs of all our children and strive to break down any barriers that are preventing children from making the progress they are capable of. As a school, we recognise the importance of not only supporting children's academic progress, but also developing their behavioural, emotional and social skills to enable them to be confident, independent learners and being the best they can be.





We have an extensive range of extra-curricular activities and clubs that happen at lunchtime & after school, in addition to our PE clubs & fixtures.

The list is ever changing, please look out for the most recent changes on the Digital TV screens around school, Facebook & Twitter!

Our up to date Club list is available on our website under Curriculum>Extra Curricular, Trips & Activities.



All clubs start w/c 11th September 2023.

Autumn 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break	KS3 Football	KS4 Football	Sixth Form	KS4 Football	KS3 Football
Break	Netball/Basketball Week 1 only Yrs 7-13	Netball/Basketball Week 2 only Yrs 7-13		Netball/Basketball Week 1 only Yrs 7-13	Netball/Basketball Week 1 & 2 Yrs 7-13
Lunch 1	Yr 11 Football	Yr 7 Football	Yr 9 Football	Yr 7 Football	Yr 11 Football
Lunch 2	Yr 10 Football	Yr 8 Football	Sixth Form	Yr 8 Football	Yr 10 Football
After-school 15:30-16:30pm	Yrs 8/9 Badminton	Netball Fixtures Yrs 7-10 Rugby Yrs 7-11 Girls Football	Yrs 7-13 Netball Yrs 10-13 Badminton	Yrs 7-11 Hockey	Yr 7 Badminton

Activity	Staff	Venue	Group	Notes
Badminton	Mrs Price	Sports Hall	All	Full PE Kit
Football	Miss Collins	Field	Girls	Full PE Kit, Boots & Shin pads
Football	Recreation	Old MUGA	All	Trainers
Hockey	Mrs Curtis	New MUGA	All	Full PE Kit, Shin Pads & Gum shield
Netball	Mrs Dewson - Tuesday Mrs Savage - Wednesday	New MUGA	All	Full PE Kit
Netball/Basketball	Recreation	New MUGA	All	Trainers
Rugby	Mr Gray/Mr Leat	Field	All	Full PE Kit, Boots and Gum Shield

ADMISSIONS

Considering Fakenham Academy?

If you would like more information, or to arrange a visit to our site, please contact Nicola Daultrey on n.daultrey@fakenhamacademy.org and the Headteacher will be happy to take you on a tour.

Applying to join us in Year 7?

You will be contacted directly by the Local Authority and asked to complete a Common Application Form where you outline your school preference. The Local Authority will then inform you which school your son or daughter has been allocated to. More information can be found on the NCC Website.

Applying to move during the academic year?

All of our applications for Fakenham Academy (Years 7-11) are handled by Norfolk County Council via their Online applications page. If you are interesting in making an in-year transfer, please complete the Norfolk County Council form, a link is available on our website under the admissions section.

In order to ensure that your son/daughter is placed in the correct sets/bands/tutor group it is advisable to book an appointment come and visit our school before applying online. This will enable us to understand better how we can support your child's learning during the transfer period, discussing options choices and pathways.



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