



The Newfield Pledge

Achievement Leads to Opportunity and Choice

The Newfield Way

We look at the world with wonder and it is Newfield School's moral responsibility to harness this wonder through a rich curriculum and explicitly cultivate a desire to be our best self. Our ethos of providing opportunity and choice is embodied by our curriculum intent and the way in which we develop character. The Three C's of The Newfield Way – being curious, considerate and committed embody the good character in our students.

Good character is not formed in a week or a month. It is created little by little, day by day and protracted patient effort is needed, and it is our job as a school community to promote and model this. Developing good character means we thrive in education and are able to play a full part in society. We take pride in developing as mature considerate citizens who conduct ourselves in a professional manner and have a desire to be our best self.

Success is achieved by following the Newfield Way; being forged with powerful knowledge, strong character and living our school values every day.

Our values

Curiosity

Our curriculum fosters curiosity and a love of learning.

Evidence-based practice underpins teaching allowing students to acquire knowledge they need to make great progress.

Reading is central to learning and success. As such reading is at the heart of everything we do; our students are articulate and fluent writers due to the high quality literature they are exposed to.

Consideration

We have a culture of positive relationships between students and staff. Our students demonstrate impeccable learning habits and behaviour routines.

A wider understanding of the world has high priority and spiritual, cultural and social issues, both locally and on a global scale, are inherent in our life at school.

We take pride in our school and wider community and we make valuable contributions.

Commitment

Our students understand the value of school and are committed to being punctual and attending every day.

Students enjoy activities outside the classroom and take part in a range of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities.

We are ambitious for all; students and staff have a great attitude to learning, demonstrate resilience and don't settle for 'just good enough'.



Our commitment to our students and families

All students will benefit from a culture of safety, happiness and success and a broad and balanced curriculum delivered by quality first teaching that includes excellent preparation for life beyond Newfield School.

In addition, students at Newfield School will have the following offer:

- A comprehensive transition to Newfield School from primary school that includes Y7 only days
- A commitment to the wider curriculum that leads to the Newfield School Diploma, a 2-year programme that leads to graduation at the end of Y8
- The Y9 Aspiration programme based on a tailored careers curriculum and introduction to the Duke of Edinburgh Award
- A 5 year careers programme to inform and raise aspiration to fully prepare students for further lifelong learning
- A reading programme that exposes all students to high quality literature and is linked to our personal development curriculum
- Opportunity for all students to explore the local area and beyond through a series of trips and visits including residential visits
- All students will be part of 'change for good' either through their charitable contribution or commitment to environmental sustainability
- All students will be expected to take an active role in their wider learning and experience including public speaking, taking part in team sports, understanding democracy and the current political landscape
- All students will take part in the creative arts and technology (music, drama, art, product design, food technology) throughout KS3 and the option to continue with these in KS4
- Celebration events every year as well as key social events such as the Y11 Christmas Ball (where all students learn traditional ballroom dances)

How our students will show their commitment

Newfield students embody the school's values and will endeavour to:

- Attend every day
- Be ambitious for themselves and committed to their personal success
- Be polite and courteous and show consideration to others
- Understand that hard work is the key to success and that resilience builds through experience
- Be curious about the world they live in

How our parents and carers will show commitment

By choosing Newfield School for your child, you will:

- Support the high expectations of the school
- Support the policies of the school, especially in regard to behaviour, attendance and uniform
- Attend all parents' evenings and key events to support your child
- Take interest in your child's learning and school life, encourage participation in extra-curricular and enrichment activities
- Understand and support the career aspirations of your child
- Talk to the school about any issues concerning your child
- Be ambitious for your child – don't settle for second best