



Highfield Priory School

Welcome to Highfield Priory School - [the journey continues...](#)

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“Our results
are excellent
and speak for
themselves.”

Welcome to Highfield Priory School, we are an Independent Preparatory School providing high quality education for primary aged children, we are consistently placed highly in The Sunday Times top prep schools and place high priority on academic achievement and small class sizes.

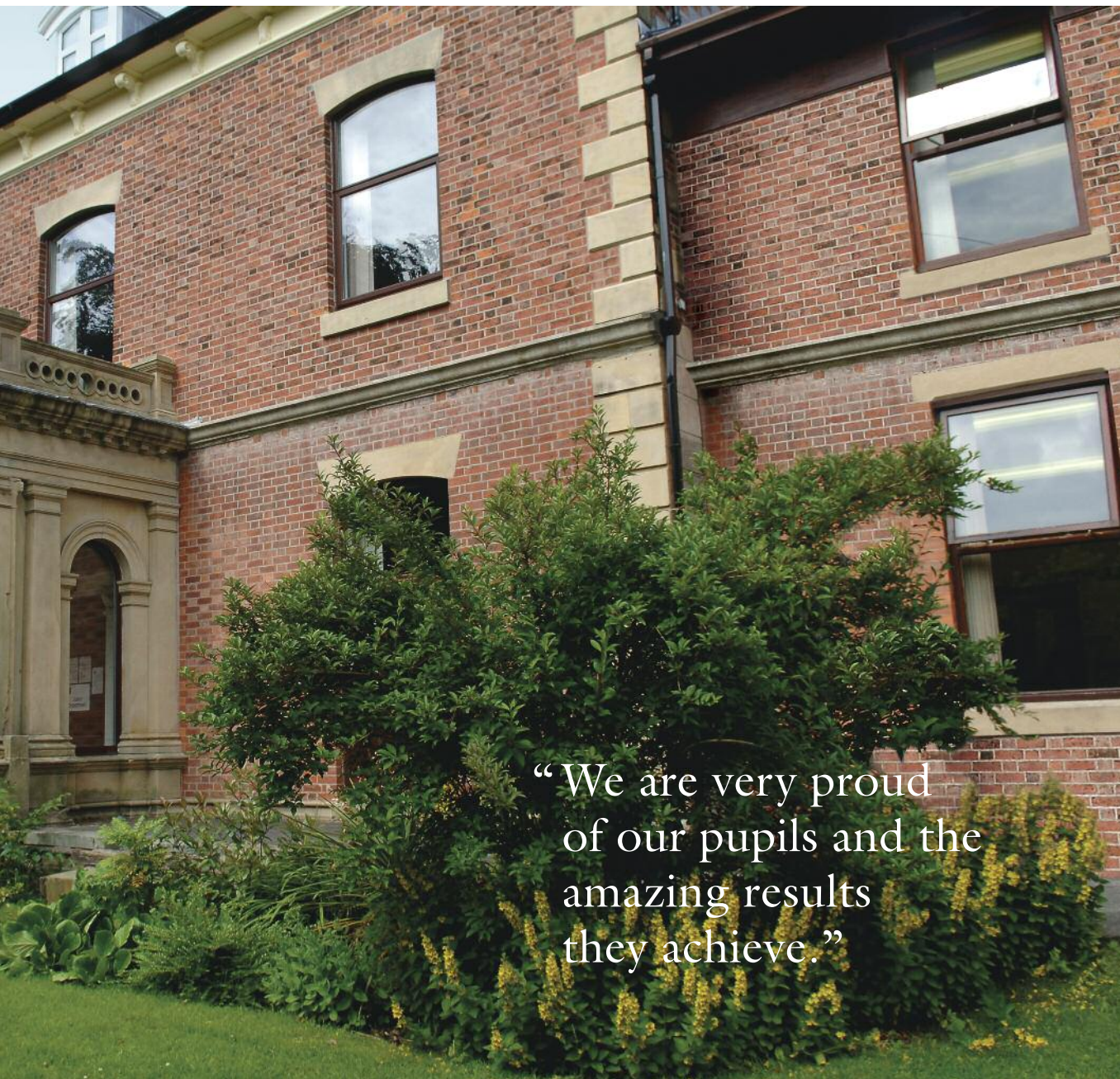
Our school is set in eight acres of woodland and playing fields in the residential area of Fulwood. We benefit from an excellent road network and easy access from the M6 motorway.

We all know life is a journey and we hope this prospectus gives you an idea of your child's journey through Highfield Priory School, and we hope it will encourage you to visit us and experience the vibrancy and friendliness of our school.

Most of our pupils come to us because of recommendations from parents whose children are already here and who are looking for the very best. We foster a welcoming and supportive family atmosphere to ensure our children feel comfortable, secure and happy at all times. We help our children to flourish and achieve their potential, expecting high standards in all aspects of school life. Our ethos and philosophy is simple 'Aim High at Highfield' If you are visiting us for the first time you'll be struck by the confidence and friendliness of our pupils and the quality of our facilities. Many comment on the welcoming atmosphere and the excellence and creativity of work on display.

We look forward to meeting you and having the opportunity to show you around our school.





“We are very proud of our pupils and the amazing results they achieve.”

Philosophy

Our teaching and learning philosophy is to provide a wide and balanced curriculum. We use an innovative approach, which fosters a love of learning, whilst still retaining traditional values in a caring community where every child matters and is encouraged to achieve their full potential.

Our school is fortunate to be able to attract teachers of a very high calibre who are dedicated to making sure that lessons are inspirational, creative and challenging; combining traditional teaching with modern technology.

Our school aims to equip the children with the skills necessary to allow them to play their part in society. Our intention is to partner our parents in the lifelong process, that sees our children nurtured from nursery through infants to juniors and then on to senior school. Underpinning all of this is a close relationship between teachers, pupils and parents ensuring we all work together to meet the needs of each individual child.



Core Values and Beliefs

Our core values and beliefs are mutual respect for one another, tolerance of others beliefs and opinions and an open honest approach in all we do. The Highfield Priory environment is one where children are happy and enjoy coming to school.

Assembly time, Personal, Social and Health Education and Religious Education play their parts in providing a caring pastoral system helping to develop our core values and beliefs. Our school reflects the multi cultural nature of society, and parents and children are encouraged to share their beliefs. Our pupils are friendly, caring, respectful and confident.

Support every step of the way...



Name	School
EMMA GOOCH	ARNOLD SCHOOL
SULTAN KARIM	Q.E.G.S.
JANINE KONCZAK	ARNOLD SCHOOL
OMAR MAHMOOD	ARNOLD SCHOOL
ANDREW MAHMOOD	ARNOLD SCHOOL
JOSIHA ROSE	Q.E.G.S.
TALSIH SAUDI	Q.E.G.S.
SARAH STAPLETON	KING EDWARD VI
JENNIFER DEWHURST	ARNOLD SCHOOL
LOUISE NUTTALL	BRIDHAM G.S.
ANNA ROWLANDSON	ARNOLD SCHOOL
DANIEL TAYM	ARNOLD SCHOOL
HAVLEY VINDEN	ARNOLD SCHOOL
LEE ASHWORTH	ARNOLD SCHOOL
VAIBHAV GARG	KIRKHAM G.S.
LUCY GOOCH	ARNOLD SCHOOL
JAMES JONES	ARNOLD SCHOOL
ALEXANDER KONCZAK	STANNES WIDDERVET

Highfield Priory is a co-educational preparatory school catering for children through to the end of key stage 2 at the age of 11.

The school is divided into three distinct yet integral Key Stages.

- The Foundation Stage - Reception (3 to 5 year olds)
- Key Stage 1 - Years 1 and 2 (5 to 7 year olds)
- Key Stage 2 - Years 3 to 6 (7 to 11 year olds)

The Independent Schools Inspectorate inspected our school and judged that it fulfilled the purpose stated in its prospectus “To ensure that each individual child develops to their maximum potential in every field of endeavour in a happy, purposeful and disciplined environment.” It went on to conclude “Pupils’ standard of achievement is very high in terms of comparable schools.” Children are prepared for their first choice of senior school which the majority of them achieve. Each year a number of children are offered scholarships for academic performance, musical or sporting achievement.

The SATs results place the school in the Sunday Times top prep schools in England, a position we have maintained for many years.





“The boys and girls of Highfield Priory are provided with the very best learning opportunities.”



Developments

Successive generations of governors and heads have been committed to the continual development of Highfield Priory. As the school has grown over the years, new facilities have been added to ensure our children have the best opportunities to succeed in their various activities. These have included a new Art, Design and Technology centre, a well resourced library with wide-screen television for showing educational programmes, a science facility equipped with the latest technology and a refurbished elocution room.

The school also benefits from a multi purpose sports hall, over 3 acres of playing field, a fully equipped modern ICT suite, music room, and dining room.

History

The face of the school has changed greatly since been founded in 1938, due to substantial investment. The school is a registered charity and is a constituent member of the Independent Schools Council.



Quality teaching, active learning...



As an independent school we are able to tailor teaching to match the needs of our children, using the national curriculum as a framework. Of course, most of our children are stretched beyond the requirements of the national curriculum and we place great emphasis on ensuring proficiency in the traditional subjects of maths, English and science.

As part of the curriculum, we offer French from year 3, elocution lessons, extended science provision, drama and a full and varied sports programme including swimming and inter-school matches. We have a variety of educational visits and for the older children residential activities.

We use the best combination of traditional and modern teaching styles including ICT, interactive whiteboards, guest speakers, and a variety of educational visits. We believe it is important for our pupils to develop a positive attitude to work and the skill of independent study with an appropriate amount of homework set from the start.

The school has well qualified, experienced and enthusiastic teachers who set high but achievable targets for all our children. They have high expectations and the children are placed at the heart of the education process. We help the children to flourish and we constantly review what we teach and how we teach it. We view teaching and learning as a dynamic process where children and teachers are fully involved. Highfield Priory has the Investors in People Award and we are committed to investing in our staff for the benefit of our pupils.





“Highfield has brought out the very best in my children by presenting opportunities unavailable in most primary schools.” - parent.



A Stimulating Environment...

Our aim is to get the most out of our young people and to help ensure that they get the most out of all Highfield Priory has to offer them. Each pupil is challenged and stretched to expand their capabilities, with the emphasis remaining on literacy, numeracy and scientific investigation. Additionally we seek to develop children's creative and imaginative aptitudes, whether these are in music, drama, dance or sport.

We ensure that our prevailing ethos is that all children will have every opportunity to learn in an exciting and dynamic school environment. They will have the opportunity to design, create, build, and in so doing, learn.

Our children follow a structured course in Personal, Social and Health Education. Which begins at the Foundation Stage and continues throughout the school. PSHE and circle time play an important role in fostering good relationships between children. We believe it is important to prepare our children to be responsible citizens of the future and to take an active role in their local communities. Therefore supporting local and national charities is an important aspect of developing the children's social awareness.

Each class elects a representative to the school council which meets weekly with the Head to discuss and debate issues which are important to them. Lively debates usually ensue.



Healthy bodies, healthy minds...



We aim to give all our children the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of sports. The major games are football, hockey, netball, cricket and kwik cricket, tag rugby, rounders, tennis, athletics and swimming.

In addition, the indoor PE programme introduces the children to basic skills and gradually develops these as they mature. Dance and drama form an integral part of the PE syllabus.

The Highfield Heroes multi-sports programme gives our children an extra lunch time activity to enjoy.

Our school is proud to have been awarded the Sport England Activemark Gold award for the excellent sporting provision we afford to all our children. We have had both regional and national champions in various sporting events and several of our children have gone on to represent their sport at County and National level.





“It’s great to be able to take part in such a variety of sports.” - pupil



A Healthy Environment

We encourage a healthy life style and are committed to raising nutritional standards and promoting healthy eating. All aspects of food and nutrition at school support the health and well-being of pupils, staff and visitors.

Our experienced catering team provides a fine selection of meals including vegetarian and halal prepared foods, in addition to working with parents to provide nutritious and varied meals for those children that have allergies. The school is proud to have been one of the first to be awarded the National ‘Healthy Schools’ status.

Healthy eating is promoted in the classroom with fruit, milk and water available. Unhealthy snacks and sweets are not permitted.



Extra Curricular Activities...

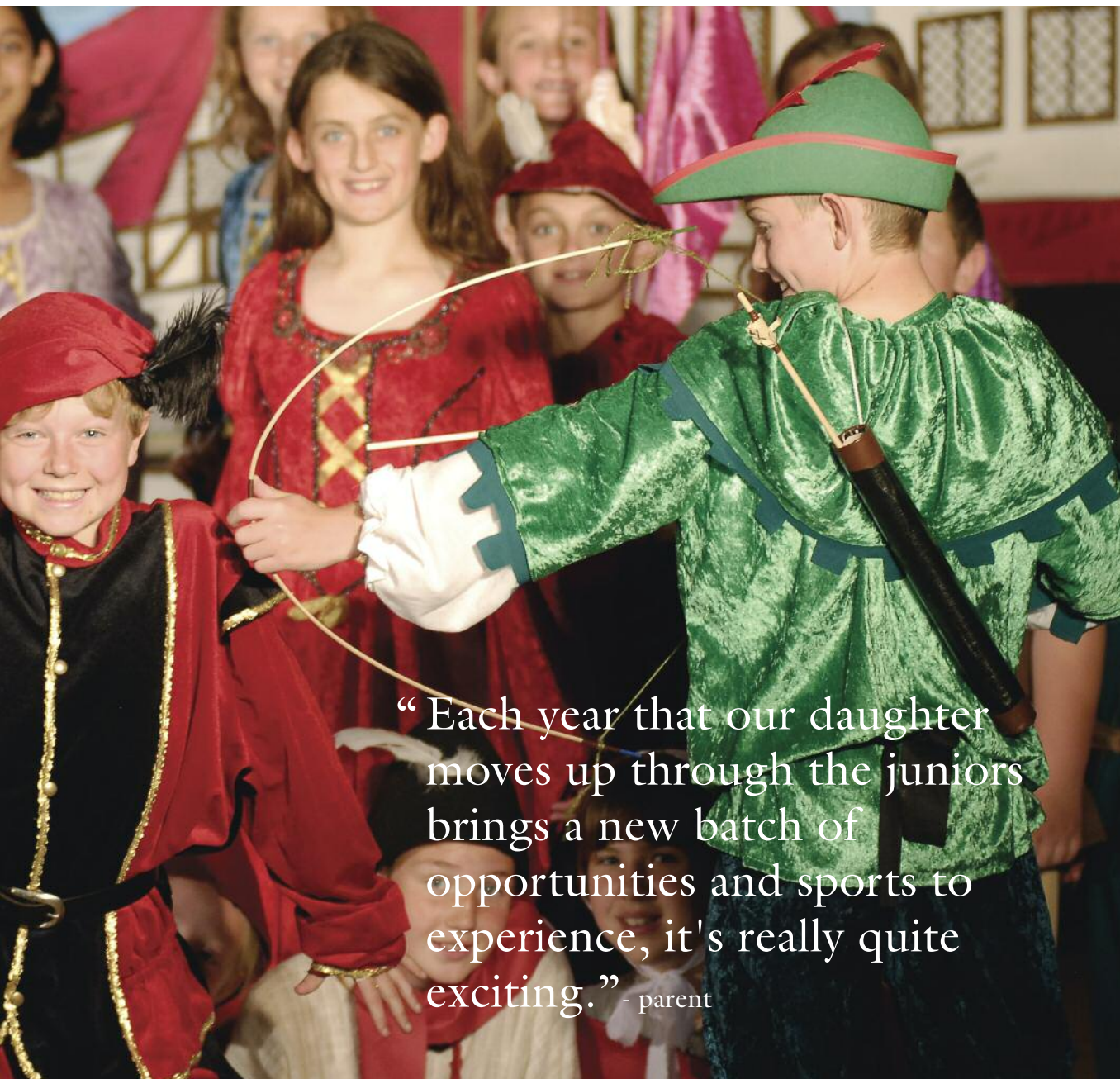


We are able to offer over 25 extra curricular activities, which are held during lunchtimes and after school.

Extra curricular activities ensure that our children see the school as a place for leisure and fun, as well as work. From karate to cookery, to archaeology and design, our pupils participate in these popular clubs with great enthusiasm and energy.

Each child has the opportunity to learn a musical instrument of their choice. The school has its own choir for which children are invited to audition. School productions, which are enjoyed greatly, are held throughout the year.





“Each year that our daughter moves up through the juniors brings a new batch of opportunities and sports to experience, it's really quite exciting.” - parent



Admission

Subject to the availability of places children can be admitted to the school at any time. We invite prospective parents to attend our open days which are held at regular intervals during the academic year.

You are most welcome to make an individual visit during a school day. We invite all children wishing to join Highfield Priory to spend a day at the school with their contemporaries. This allows them to meet their new friends and experience life at Highfield Priory for themselves.

Extended Care

The school is aware that parents often work long hours and need care for their children before and after the normal starting and finishing times of the school day. The school therefore runs before school and after school care during term time and a holiday club. The intention is to ensure that there is care at school when parents need to work. The after school homework club is staffed by a fully qualified teacher who can guide children with their homework, leaving more family and leisure time, when the child returns home. Having completed their homework the older children can participate in outdoor play or indoor art and craft activities. For the younger children there are structured indoor and outdoor play activities, drinks and sandwiches and fruit are provided as a snack.

The school breakfast club begins at 7.30 a.m. After school care is available until 6 p.m. The holiday club operates during the school holidays, with the exception of bank holidays and Christmas week. Holiday club is staffed by our nursery nurses with whom the children are familiar. We have flexible booking arrangements for our extended care programme to suit your lifestyle.

Aim High at Highfield



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