COOMBE WOOD SCHOOL



PROSPECTUS
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'Pupils are happy and well cared for at this school. They especially value the support of their teachers. They said that they have lots of help to do well academically.'

Welcome from **The Headteacher** Ms Williams



Welcome to Coombe Wood School – it is a privilege to be the Headteacher of such a wonderful school community.
we are fortunate that our school is already rich in tradition which provides a strong and secure platform for success. We believe that outstanding teaching and learning is at the heart of our school and our collaborative approach towards pastoral and curriculum leadership, working in partnership with one another, safeguards the very best attainment for students.

Our students are truly exceptional and I am impressed every day with their ambition, dedication, enthusiasm, humour and pride in their school community. Students thrive at CWS because they are happy and safe in our nurturing environment, all underpinned by the high quality pastoral care.

The health and happiness of our students are a priority and this is grounded in our approach to Health Related Fitness. We believe that being physically active is fundamental to the development of the whole child as it enhances their confidence, resilience, and wellbeing. This does not mean that academic success is left to chance. Students enjoy first-rate teaching in a superb learning environment, on our modern site. My talented staff are ambitious for our students, and are committed to improving the quality of their work to ensure that everyone reaches their full potential.
Our curriculum is broad and ambitious for all students and coupled with the wider curriculum, we have all the ingredients to give our students the very best education; full of rich opportunities, to ensure they develop into caring, healthy, confident, well-rounded adults, equipped with the skills and qualifications, preparing them for the next phase of their lives.
I hope you will find the information within our website useful, and that it gives you a good flavour of our school; its remarkable students and staff, as well as its achievements, values and ambitions. However, the best way to experience what Coombe Wood School has to offer is to visit us.
I very much hope that we will have the opportunity of welcoming you to in person, but in the meantime please feel free to contact either myself or the school office on any matter.













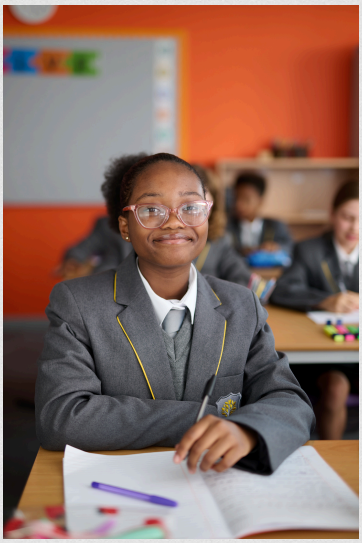


‘Leaders have ensured that every pupil accesses a wide and hugely varied range of opportunities’ ‘ including caring for the school’s chickens, knitting, beekeeping, documentary club, fashion and textiles. Pupils spoke with enthusiasm about sporting activities in particular.’

Ofsted

Mission Statement



Displaying and developing the human values of teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship in our daily lives, as we journey together towards discovering and reaching our true personal bests.

Fit for movement, fit for learning, and fit for life.

Core Values





Curriculum



At Coombe Wood School, we believe that all students, barring none, deserve an exceptional education. We commit to this because we believe school is the key to all young people unlocking their future potential. Therefore, we proudly offer a 7-year curriculum which goes beyond a typical school experience. This comprises three pillars of CWS, each working together to holistically develop our students into the best version of their future selves.

- Ambition: Unapologetically high academic expectations for all students, irrespective of their starting points.
- Community: A relentless commitment to character education, meaning that all students grow into confident, well-mannered and responsible individuals.
- Culture: Extremely comprehensive co-curricular opportunities, which give all students the opportunity to broaden their horizons.

These pillars are the foundations of our CWS 7 year curriculum journey, inspiring both the short, and long-term aims of the curriculum. Whether students join us in KS3, 4 or 5, they will step into a meticulously planned curriculum, intentionally sequenced to ensure all make excellent progress over time, ready to transition into the next phase of their educational journey.

Click here to visit our curriculum intent statements

Click here to visit our curriculum booklet

CWS HABITS



Our **CWS HABITS** - We believe success is built through good habits. Our CWS HABITS for Learning define the behaviours that unlock potential and lead to excellent outcomes:

Highly Prepared
Active Listening
Be Better Mindset
Independent Practice
Time Management
Successful Communication

These **HABITS** are taught consistently across all lessons, ensuring that every student develops both academically and personally.

The House System



The House System is a major part of life at Coombe Wood School. Students and staff are assigned to one of six Houses, a vertical system which brings everyone together and is rooted firmly in the traditions of the school. Inter-House competitions foster healthy competition outside of the classroom. Events are held at every age
group in sports, the creative and performing arts and other areas of academia such as creative writing and STEM. The House Competition is relished by the students and provides an opportunity for each of them to showcase our core values in action.

Students that show commitment and aptitude towards house activities and events will be recognised throughout their time at Coombe Wood School. House pins are awarded to a limited number of students from Year 7 upwards. Towards the end of KS3, consistent excellence in house activities will be rewarded with a half house colours tie. Full house colours ties will be presented to 6th Form students that are perceived as student leaders in the House System.

Click here to learn more about each of the 6 houses.


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