







Here at Broadoak Academy every student belongs to a House. Each House consists of students from Year 7 to Year 11 which gives opportunity for students to become familiar with students across all year groups. Each of our Houses have a dedicated team of staff who support you both academically and pastorally, these will include your Tutor, Assistant Head of House and Head of House.

Beech Bears work as a team. We have a feeling of unity; every player must put the team first, ahead of personal glory.

Chestnut Cheetahs believe in unity; alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.

Spruce Sharks work ethic, inclusivity, attendance and wellbeing; the Sharks believe that what you plant now, you will harvest tomorrow.

Whitebeam Wolves work in a pack; together we are a community and can achieve anything we set out to do.

Which House will you belong to?

A Message from the Year 11 House Captains:

It has been an honour to be a House Captain this year. The launch of our Houses has developed a greater sense of belonging within our school community. The supportive teachers, staff and students are willing to help you with anything you are struggling with. One of our favourite memories about our Houses was Sports Day when we were with our whole House, supporting each other and cheering each other on!

House Championships









Welcome from Principal Mr McGilloway

It is such an exciting time making the move to secondary school and it is with real pleasure I welcome you to the **Broadoak Academy family.**

We do not underestimate the enormity of the step up to secondary school, but you have our assurances that, together, our young people will do this confidently and successfully, with



the support of a most wonderful and dedicated team of staff. With our broad and rich curriculum, our proud and nurturing House system, as well as the wealth of experiences the children will have, our journey starts now! I look forward to meeting you all very soon.

> **BIG STEP UP** Tuesday 27th June -Thursday 29th June

Community Partners:







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Our promise to you is...

...passionate and dedicated teachers

...inclusive dyslexia friendly classrooms

...going above and beyond to make sure all students feel supported

...a school family where you belong

We will not...

...allow you to accept second best

...put you in sets based on your current ability. We will push you to achieve your maximum potential

...allow any barriers to your learning which prevent you from reaching your goals

...tolerate anything that shows unkindness or discrimination towards another person





Cabot





Dyslexia Friendly Classrooms

All classrooms at Broadoak Academy are Dyslexia Friendly. We have recently gained the Bronze award for this and are working towards the Silver award. This means that all teachers adhere to a Dyslexia Friendly Classroom Pledge which includes all classroom handouts and presentations in a readable font at size 14, single colour backgrounds, clear headings and specific layouts which are suitable for users with dyslexia.

Progress overtime

We are exceptionally proud of our GCSE students in Year 11 who have tackled a myriad of challenges in the pandemic and post pandemic world. In terms of our GCSE headlines, we have two years where our figures



are comparable due to external examination assessment - 2019 and 2022. In 2019, 56% of students attained a pass grade in both English and Maths rising to 61% in 2022. This improvement trajectory is set to continue for our current Year 11 who are graduating in the year that Broadoak turns 100 - and are set to live up to their #simplythebest mantra as they attain the best GCSE results in the school's history. They are even set to smash our Grade 9 record which was set last year in both Maths and Science. We are incredibly proud of our current and alumni students who have set the bar for academic progress. What great role models for our new Year 7 students to look up to!

Year 7 Parent Voice

"My son was very worried and anxious about moving up to secondary school. We contacted the school and they took the time to meet us and really listen to our specific concerns. The team answered all our challenging questions, offered considered solutions to our issues and found practical ways to make the transition less daunting. As a result my son spent the summer really excited about joining the Broadoak family and has really embraced the opportunity. Broadoak Academy demonstrated how much they genuinely care about each and every student and will go above and beyond to ensure every student is fully supported. I wasn't sure we had made the right choice initially, but a year on I know Broadoak is the perfect fit."

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Fleur Ridge our Academy Dog

The Dog Mentor Programme has been implemented in almost 300 schools all over the UK with over 600 educational professionals having been trained. More importantly, there are now



more than 320 Dog Mentor dogs working in schools every day. One of which is Fleur Ridge here at Broadoak Academy.

Year 7 Student Voice

When I first came to Broadoak I was quite scared about not knowing anyone or that I was not going to fit in but, I ended up being ok because I made friends with the people in my tutor group. At Broadoak I like that I have opportunity to experience new things that I hadn't before. I also love that lessons are more in depth and challenging. My experience at Broadoak has been amazing and I am sure yours will be too. Can't wait to see you here.