

Through community and learning we are formed in character,
knowledge and wisdom, to be light in the world through
excellence in service and leadership.



All Saints'
Academy
Cheltenham

Year 7 Transition

A Guide for Parents and Carers





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Welcome



Mr B Williams
Principal

I would like to extend my welcome to All Saints' Academy. All Saints' has been recognised as a place of high achievement and progress, where all children are included.

This is an exciting time in a young person's life. Transitioning to secondary school at All Saints' opens the door to a world of opportunities, encouraging students to envision all they can achieve in the years ahead.

Our vision is that our students will feel a deep sense of belonging at All Saints, allowing each individual to learn and be formed in character, knowledge and wisdom.

In the years to come your children will learn volumes, achieve great exam outcomes, perform in shows, compete across many sports, lead other students, serve in the community and eventually develop into adults who will have a huge impact in every area of their lives.

Our success will be measured in the impact that your children have both at and beyond All Saints'. That they would be light in the world, excelling in all they do leading and serving others.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Academy in the coming months as we prepare for the start of the new academic year.



Miss H Baynham-Williams
Year 7 Transition Leader

As the Transition Leader, I am the link between All Saints' Academy and the primary schools around our local community. This allows me to support you in the next stage of your educational journey. We are eagerly waiting to make your transition to secondary school smooth and enjoyable.

I am really looking forward to meeting you all in person. Alongside our team of tutors, the Academy will not only lead your academic progress but will also support your pastoral care to ensure that you grow as an independent and well-rounded learner.

There is a real sense of community and unity here, and you will be welcomed with open arms when you join us in September.

This is just the start of your All Saints' journey and it's going to be so much fun!



The Journey to ASA

Monday 17th March
School acceptance
deadline



Tuesday 18th March
Parent welcome letter and
student postcard received in
the post



Friday 2nd May 2025
Deadline to complete
student information details
on MCAS app



Throughout April/ May
School visits from Miss H
Baynham-Williams and Mrs L
Herrick



Friday 23rd May 2025
ASA Pen Pal letters
delivered to Primary
Schools



Thursday 3rd July 2025
New Year 7 Parents
Information Evening



**Thursday 3rd July – Friday 4th
July 2025**
Transition days at All Saints'
Academy



**Monday 18th August – Friday
22nd August**
Transition Summer School



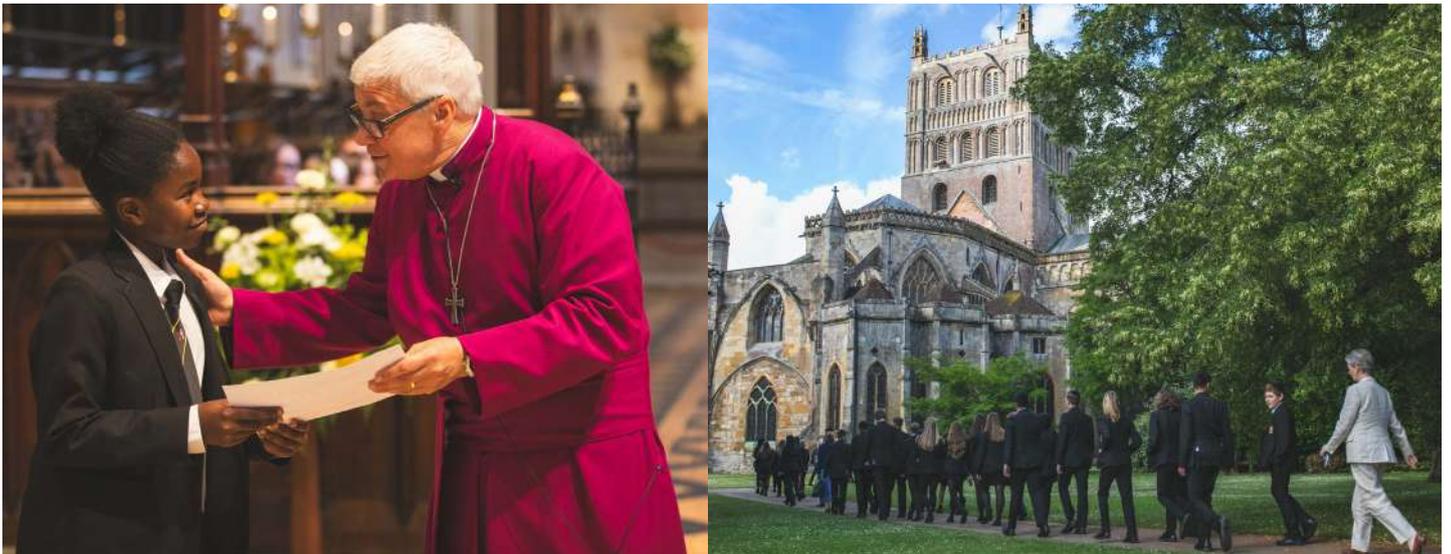
**Wednesday 3rd September
2025**
First day at All Saints'
Academy (Year 7 & 12 only)





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Our Vision and Values



Our Vision and Values

At All Saints' Academy, our vision is at the heart of everything we do. It shapes how we learn, grow, and support one another as a community of students, staff, parents, and trustees. Rooted in our Christian ethos, we live by 'The All Saints' Way,' ensuring that everyone feels valued and empowered to reach their full potential. Our vision is inspired by the Church of England's mission for education: to be distinctively Christian and for the common good.

Why We Are Here: Our Vision

We believe that education is more than just gaining knowledge; it is about forming character, growing in wisdom, and preparing to be a light in the world. Our vision is:

'Through community and learning, we are formed in character, knowledge, and wisdom, to be light in the world through excellence in service and leadership.'

This means that every student at All Saints' Academy is supported to develop their unique talents, grow in confidence, and use their skills to make a positive impact on the world around them.

How We Live Together: The All Saints' Way

Our academy is built on strong values that guide our relationships and interactions. These values shape how we learn, how we treat one another, and how we lead in our wider communities.

Our Christian Values

We believe that by living according to these principles, we create an environment where everyone can thrive:

Love and Service (Character) – We put other people's needs ahead of our own.

Respect and Reconciliation (Knowledge) – We listen to understand, aspiring to excellence in all we do and say.

Justice and Peace (Wisdom) – We take responsibility and include everyone.

These values guide us every day, helping us to build a strong, supportive, and caring community where everyone can succeed.



The Academy Day

All students follow a two-week timetable. There are 5 lessons per day, each lasting an hour. Students should arrive at the Academy for 8:30am where they will line up outside in tutor groups. The Academy day finishes at 3:15pm, at which time enrichment sessions begin. A bell is used to signify the end of each session.

At our Academy, we operate two separate timetables simultaneously to ensure a smooth and efficient school day, particularly during break and lunch times.

Timetable 1: Year 7, Year 10, and Sixth Form

Timetable 2: Year 8, Year 9, and Year 11

Year 7 Timetable

Arrive at the Academy

Meet, Greet and Pray in tutor rooms

Reading

Lesson 1

First Break (Y7, Y10 and Sixth Form)

Lesson 2

Lesson 3

Lunch (Y7, Y10 and Sixth Form)

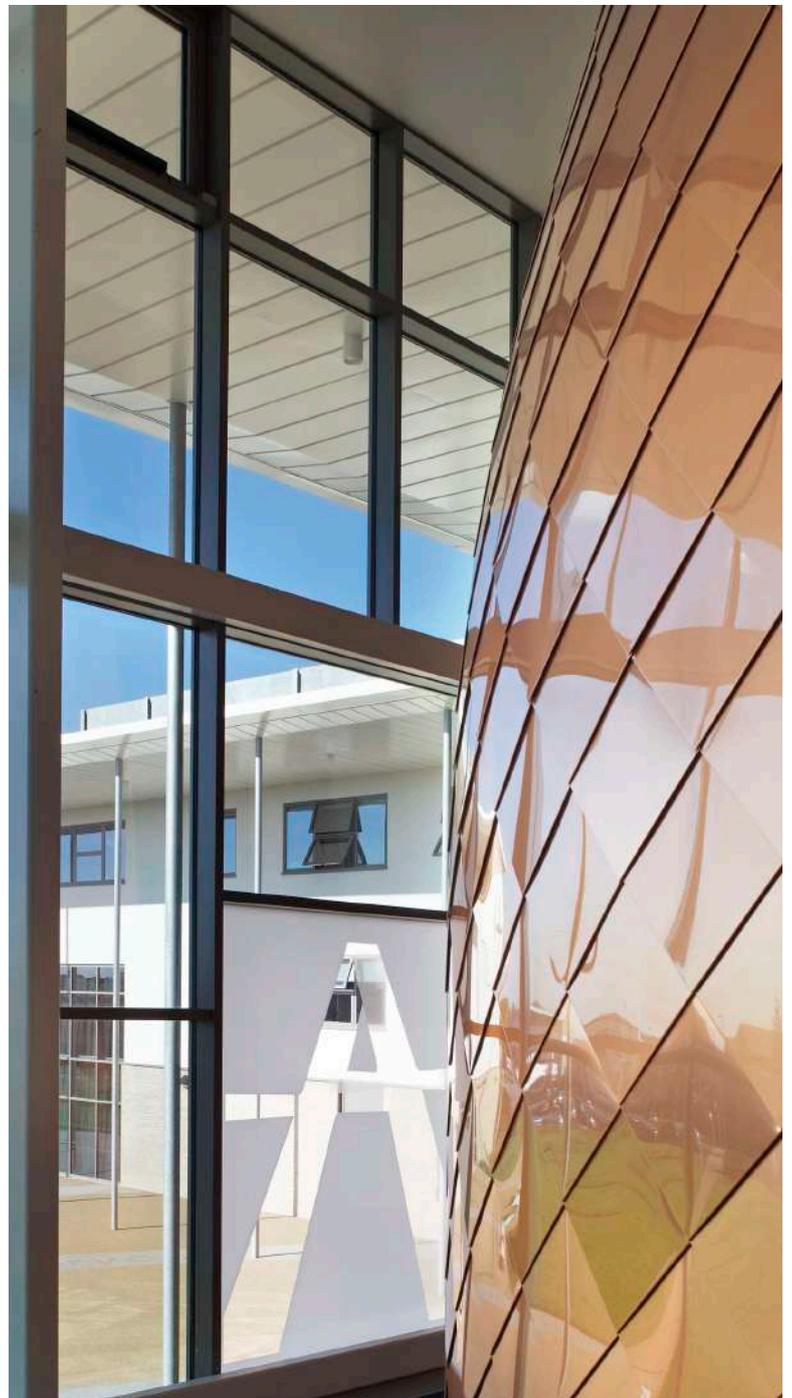
Lesson 4

Lesson 5

Tutor time/Collective Act of Worship

Enrichment Sessions

- Homework Club
- Subject revision
- Sports practise
- Interest clubs





Our Christian Values

Guided by our Academy Vision, we embrace the 'All Saints' Way' - a set of values that shape how we treat one another. These values, identified as important by our community, serve as guiding principles for all relationships within the academy. They define how staff and students interact, how students engage with each other, and how staff lead and collaborate.

Love and Service - We put other people's needs ahead of our own.

Respect and Reconciliation - We listen to understand, aspiring to excellence in all we do and say.

Justice and Peace - We take responsibility and include everyone. We start the Academy day every morning by saying our Academy prayer together.

DEAR LORD,
TEACH US HOW TO **RESPECT** OTHERS,
AND TO **LOVE** AND **SERVE** ONE ANOTHER
IN ALL THAT WE DO AND SAY.
AND WHEN WE GET IT WRONG, GIVE US
THE STRENGTH TO GET IT RIGHT AND BE **RECONCILED**.
LEAD US TO **JUSTICE** THROUGH YOUR
WORDS OF WISDOM AND GUIDE US TO
EVERLASTING **PEACE**.
AMEN





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Uniform



At All Saints' Academy, our uniform has been thoughtfully selected to ensure a sense of pride in both individual appearance and in the Academy itself.

Below is a list of the uniform items - our stockist can provide a complete price list.

- A plain black blazer featuring the Academy logo on the breast pocket.
- A black jumper with the Academy logo.
- A plain black skirt (minimum 22" long) paired with black tights not leggings, plain black trousers or Academy branded skirt/trousers if you prefer.
- A black tie displaying the Academy logo.
- A white collared shirt with a top button.
- Black lace-up or slip-on shoes, paired with black socks.



You can contact our stockist at:

Monkhouse, 252 High Street, Cheltenham, GL50 3HF

<https://www.monkhouse.com/school/school-all-saints-academy-cheltenham-urn-ey469335>



PE KIT

A list of PE Kit is provided below. Our stockists will be able to provide a full price list. Long hair must be tied back, and watches and earrings must be removed.

- A unisex PE polo shirt
- For students wearing boys' PE kit: A long-sleeved rugby top
- For students wearing girls' PE kit: A PE jumper
- A plain black pair of jogging bottoms or leggings
- A plain black pair of shorts or a skort (cycling shorts are not permitted)
- Black or red sports socks
- A pair of trainers that will support and cushion your child's feet and joints through practical activities

HAIR, MAKE-UP AND JEWELLERY

Permitted Items

- Simple, hair-coloured hair accessories
- A watch
- One small stud earring per ear lobe (maximum of one per ear)
- One small nose stud
- Natural-looking makeup

Prohibited Items

- Extreme haircuts, including patterns, lines, or shaved designs
- Bright or unnatural hair colours
- Large bows or excessively large hair accessories
- Haircuts shorter than a Grade 2
- Nail colour or nail extensions of any kind
- Any jewellery other than the permitted watch, stud earrings, or nose stud





Equipment

Each student is expected to bring the following items to school every day:

School Bag

- Must be large enough to carry equipment, books, and a PE kit. Small handbags are not acceptable.

Stationery (in a clear pencil case)

- Pens
- Pencils
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener



Additional Items

- Reading book - this will be essential for their personal reading during morning registration time
- A refillable bottle which can be refilled at our water stations
- Dictionary
- Language dictionary
- Calculator

Personal Belongings

Do NOT bring valuable items into the Academy with you. The Academy cannot be held responsible if they get lost or stolen.



Mobile Phones

We are committed to helping students achieve their best by maintaining a focused learning environment. Research shows that schools banning mobile phones see improved academic performance, mental well-being, and social skills. Mobile phones cause a distraction and can negatively impact mental health, therefore, they must be switched off and handed in to tutors during Meet, Greet and Pray. They will be stored securely in locked boxes and returned during tutor time at the end of the day.



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What People Say About Us

"I love being at school because my teachers make lessons really fun, so it's easier to learn. They always listen to us in class and really care about helping us do our best. I've learned so much already, and there are so many new subjects and fun enrichment activities to try! I also feel more independent now, especially at break and lunch, which makes school even better."

Marcel, Year 7 Student

"My teachers make lessons really fun here at All Saints', and I always feel safe and happy because the staff really care about us. I'm learning so many different subjects and have made loads of new friends. One of the best things I've done so far was taking part in the Academy production of The Little Mermaid!"

Katie, Year 8 Student

"His progress wouldn't have been possible without the Academy's support!"

"I have noticed a massive improvement in my child's attitude towards school work and his term results were very good. I must thank all the teachers of ASA for their hard work towards this progress."

Year 7 Parent

"I am incredibly grateful to the dedicated educational and administrative team at the Academy for their support and commitment. In such a short time, my child has made remarkable progress, despite being new to the country. The encouragement and guidance provided by the staff have made a huge difference, and I truly appreciate all their efforts."

Year 7 Parent



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Safeguarding and Pastoral Support



Mrs Herrick

Assistant Vice Principal - Inclusion and SENDCo, Safeguarding Lead

At All Saints' Academy, we promote positive mental health, wellbeing and safeguarding for our whole Academy community (students, staff, parents, carers). We recognise how important mental health and emotional wellbeing is to our lives in the same way as physical health and we believe that students' mental health is a crucial factor in their overall wellbeing, affecting their learning and achievement.

All young people go through ups and downs during their school career, and some face significant life events. We take a whole-Academy approach to promoting positive mental health which aims to help students become more resilient, happy and successful by preventing problems before they arise and offering support where it is needed. Safeguarding is a crucial part of our LIFE programme, and we consider what is in the best interest of the young person at all times.

We have a well-qualified dedicated pastoral team to support our families and students through secondary education at All Saints' Academy. Our chaplaincy team arranges opportunities for prayer, worship and a range of spiritual events. The Chaplaincy team are available to all students in a caring and supportive way. We are here to help if you have any concerns or worries.

The Academy's Safeguarding Team can be reached via safeguarding@asachelt.org



Term Dates

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2025/2026

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	6	13	20	27	Mon	3	10	17	24	
Tues	2	9	16	23	30	Tues	7	14	21	28	Tues	4	11	18	25	
Wed	3	10	17	24	Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thur	4	11	18	25	Thur	2	9	16	23	30	Thur	6	13	20	27	
Fri	5	12	19	26	Fri	3	10	17	24	31	Fri	7	14	21	28	
Sat	6	13	20	27	Sat	4	11	18	25	Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	2	9	16	23	30	
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	5	12	19	26	Mon	2	9	16	23	
Tues	2	9	16	23	30	Tues	6	13	20	27	Tues	3	10	17	24	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	Wed	7	14	21	28	Wed	4	11	18	25	
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Fri	5	12	19	26	Fri	2	9	16	23	30	Fri	6	13	20	27	
Sat	6	13	20	27	Sat	3	10	17	24	31	Sat	7	14	21	28	
Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	4	11	18	25	Sun	1	8	15	22		
MARCH					APRIL					MAY						
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	6	13	20	27	Mon	4	11	18	25	
Tues	3	10	17	24	31	Tues	7	14	21	28	Tues	5	12	19	26	
Wed	4	11	18	25	Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed	6	13	20	27	
Thur	5	12	19	26	Thur	2	9	16	23	30	Thur	7	14	21	28	
Fri	6	13	20	27	Fri	3	10	17	24	Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	7	14	21	28	Sat	4	11	18	25	Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	3	10	17	24	31
JUNE					JULY					AUGUST						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	6	13	20	27	Mon	3	10	17	24	31
Tues	2	9	16	23	30	Tues	7	14	21	28	Tues	4	11	18	25	
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Sat	6	13	20	27	Sat	4	11	18	25	Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

Phase 1 return – Year 12 at 8:30am		Phase 2 return – Year 7 and 12 at 8:30am		Phase 3 return – Whole Academy return at 8:30am		Week 1	
						Week 2	

CPD (Students do not attend)		Holidays		Bank Holidays	
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Restaurant

Loaves and Fishes is the Academy's centrally-located restaurant, offering a variety of hot and cold snacks at break and lunchtime. In addition to the main dining hall, there are two smaller counters open during these times which serve street food and cold meals, giving students more choice and helping to ease congestion. During the summer months, we also serve food outside from a pop-up, allowing students to enjoy their meals in the fresh air while making the most of the warmer weather.

At lunchtime, students can choose the meal of the day or select from a range of sandwiches, rolls, and other hot or cold snacks. A selection of healthy drinks is also available. Alternatively, students may bring a packed lunch.

Students can purchase their lunch by simply pressing their finger onto a fingerprint reader, which is linked to their personal account. Parents and carers can top up dinner money via the MCAS (MyChildAtSchool) app, ensuring a quick and secure payment process. Please note that food cannot be purchased with cash.

Free School Meals

- If your child received free school meals in primary school, their entitlement will continue automatically - there's no need to reapply.
- A daily allowance will be credited to your child's account.
- Any unused allowance will not carry over to the next day.

If you need to apply for free school meals, please contact:

<http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>

Lunch week 3

All our ingredients are locally sourced and delivered fresh by local suppliers. Our eggs are free-range and Red Lion stamped, our fish is sustainably sourced and MSC approved and our meat is British Red Tractor accredited wherever possible.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Chicken Burger, Wedges & Mixed Salad	Pasta Bolognese, Garlic Bread served with Green Salad	Roast Beef & Yorkie Puddings, Potatoes & Vegetables	Tandoori Chicken, Rice & Naan Bread	Fish & Chips Sausage & Chips Beans & Curry Sauce
PLANT BASED / VEGETARIAN	Vegetable Quesadillas, Wedges & Salad	Cauliflower & Potato Curry served with Rice	Vegetable Toad in The Hole served with Onion Gravy	Spinach & Lentil Curry, Rice & Naan Bread	Vegetable Sausage Chips, Beans & Curry Sauce
STREET FOOD	Tomato & Meatball Pasta Pot	Hot Dogs served with Onions	Chicken Chow Mien	Beef Bolognese Pasta Pot	Cheesy Chips
PIZZA	Pepperoni Pizza	Margherita Pizza	Pepperoni Pizza	Margherita Pizza	Pepperoni Pizza
PANINIS	CHOOSE FROM A SELECTION OF ASSORTED PANINIS				
JACKETS	WITH A CHOICE OF OUR DELICIOUS TOPPINGS				
DESSERTS	CHOOSE FROM A SELECTION OF OUR CHILLED DESSERTS & FRUIT POTS				
TRAY BAKES	DAILY HOMEMADE TRAY BAKES & CAKES AVAILABLE				

Meal Deal
Main Meal
With Vegetables
And Dessert



£2.60
All Of Our Meal Deals cost 20p extra for those who are on Free School Meals or have EFTS Status



MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) App



The MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) Parent App is an essential tool for parents and carers to stay connected with their child's school life. It provides real-time access to important information, helping parents support their child's education effectively.

What Can Parents Use MCAS For?

- Checking Attendance
- Viewing Timetables
- Tracking Behaviour and Achievement
- Receiving School Communications
- Making Payments
- Checking Reports and Assessments
- Updating Personal Details

How to Access MCAS

- Download the MCAS app from the App Store or Google Play Store.
- Use the login details provided by the Academy.
- For any login issues, please contact the school office admin@asachelt.org



Enrichment



At All Saints' Academy we offer a variety of enrichment programmes to ensure our students have the opportunity to have life in all its fullness. We also offer several incredible trip opportunities.

Examples of the activities on offer:

- Homework Club
- Subject Revision
- Sports Practice
- Drama Club
- Choir
- Computing Club
- Music Instrument Lessons
- Creative Writing
- Combined Cadet Force (CCF)
- Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Exam Intervention
- Chess Club
- Chaplaincy Club and
- Art Club



Recent and upcoming trips:

- Year 7 retreat
- Austria ski trip
- Borneo ski trip
- Theatre trips
- New York
- Tanzania mission trip
- Reward trips
- Escape rooms
- Iceland
- Paris

All clubs can be booked via the MyChildAtSchool app.





Ofsted

'Ofsted judges All Saints' Academy to be a very inclusive school' over a number of years.

- All Saints' Academy is ambitious for pupils to achieve well and to be prepared for their future steps.
- The school has raised expectations about behaviour.
- Teachers are knowledgeable about the subjects that they teach.

The Academy continues to build on its strong reputation for educational excellence by delivering a curriculum enriched through collaboration with schools, colleges, universities, and industry partners. This ensures that all students and families within the community can thrive and achieve their aspirations in higher education and future careers.

- Leaders and trustees are deeply committed to serving the community.
- Staff are united by the school's values and ethos, driving continuous improvement in standards.
- A strong culture of respect and tolerance is embedded throughout the school.
- Pupils are consistently polite and courteous.

'All Saints' Academy is a true source of hope for its students and the local community.'

The vision of 'life in all its fullness' underpins the Academy's commitment to supporting disadvantaged students and raising aspirations for both students and staff. Students speak passionately about how the Academy provides them with positive life choices and continually raises their expectations of themselves.



- Inspirational and determined leadership fosters creative partnerships with a wide range of organisations, enabling students to thrive in many aspects of their lives.
- The broad and balanced curriculum effectively challenges and supports students of all abilities.
- Classrooms are safe spaces where all viewpoints are respected.
- Student engagement in challenging GCSE and A Level topics is high, supported by stimulating learning resources.
- Many describe the Academy as a 'family', reflecting its inclusive and supportive environment.



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our website and social media channels.

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