

The Royal Harbour Academy





Our Mission Statement

The Royal Harbour Academy is a proud community built upon success, high aspirations and a global outlook.



Introduction



Our Aim

Our aim is that every student at the Royal Harbour Academy gains life skills and qualifications that will allow them to lead happy and fulfilled lives whether their next steps are in education, employment or further training. It is good to know that year on year all of our students either stay on in our sixth form, go to other local schools or secure full time employment in the workplace.

Having been Headteacher at Dane Court Grammar School, I am pleased that the school is part of the Coastal Academies Trust, which not only includes Dane Court Grammar School but a number of other local schools. This provides benefits to both students and staff through, amongst other things, collaboration and exchange of good practice. Like myself, the Trust is determined that every child has real success and the schools work collaboratively to achieve this aim.

Mr Simon Pullen Head teacher

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Our School



The Right School

Deciding on the school that is right for your child is far more than just looking at exam results; although I know that your son or daughter will achieve their best with us. A school is also about a community where children are valued, nurtured and supported and I can say with honesty that this is the case here.

While we hold open evenings and taster days for your child there is no substitute for seeing the school on a normal school day and we welcome you coming to visit us with your son or daughter at any time.





The Royal Harbour Academy is a split-site, mixed sex, all ability high school. Each site reflects the age range of the students, whilst maintaining a small school feel which means that every child is known, valued, and feels secure; yet the school is big enough to provide the students with a wide range of educational provision and opportunities



The school's facilities are excellent and include a fully equipped theatre, an athletic track, and every classroom is equipped with the technology needed to help our students learn.



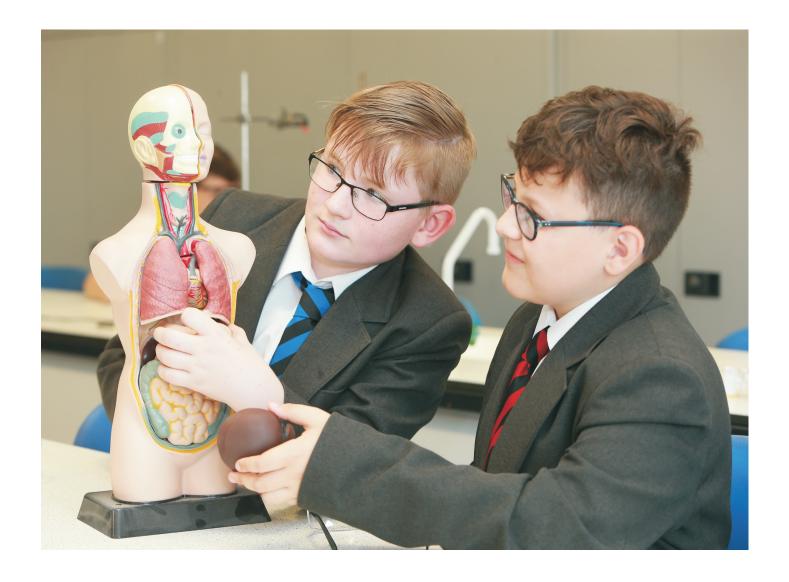


Learning at RHA



Learning is central to everything we do at The Royal Harbour Academy whether it is learning about skills for life or more conventional academic learning. We have subject specialists who convey their love and enthusiasm of their subject to the students. Our staff have high aspirations for students and they are always looking at how we can develop and improve our learning and teaching to make sure that all students make excellent progress. We look for students to be involved in their learning through group work, discussion and investigation.













Curriculum

We have an innovative curriculum which builds on the work that students have covered in their primary school. Students on the Lower Site have one teacher for English and the Humanities and one other teacher for Maths and Science. This smaller number of teachers really helps students with their transition from Year 6 and when combined with a strong focus on literacy and numeracy means that students make excellent progress. All other National Curriculum subjects are taught by specialist teachers from the Upper Site.

When students move to the Upper Site they are taught in individual subjects as they start to prepare for their choice of GCSEs in Year 10 and 11.



Community and Support



Our community ethos is a strong one and we have good support systems in place to make sure students are able to overcome any barriers to learning. Students may seek help over any problem, big or small, from their Form Tutor, Head of Year and from one of the Pastoral Support Team.

Learning Outside the Classroom





Extra-Curricular Activities

Students have the opportunity to develop confidence and a sense of well-being through taking part in one of the many extra-curricular activities in the school from art and photography to boxing and golf. Music, dance and drama are taught as part of the curriculum, although students will also practise and rehearse after school. We run a full range of traditional sports for boys and girls as well as activities such as climbing, boxing, archery and dance. The school takes part in regular fixtures with schools across Kent.

Students have an opportunity to participate in a wide variety of trips run by the school staff. Trips are focussed on academic, social and cultural development through activities such as trips overseas, to London and local points of interest, to provide our students with a taste of life after the Royal Harbour Academy.

Part of the Community

The school encourages students to participate in the life of the school either through our Sports Day, regular school productions or simply through one of our many charity fund raising activities. The charities supported by the school include Children in Need, Macmillan Cancer Support and small local charities that directly benefit others within our Community.



Sixth Form At Royal Harbour Academy





Our sixth form allows our students to stay with us until the end of Year 13 when they will be well prepared for life as young adults either at university or in the workplace. The school offers the International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme which is a combination of both vocational and academic qualifications.



Extra-Curricular Activities

The school has a variety of after school activities available to students, from games to Parkour. Also there are many day trips that run throughout the year to different places of interest. Please find listed below a typical schedule for clubs:

Club	Day	Site	Times	Room
Multi Sports (Terms 2-4)	Mon-Fri	Lower	Lunchtimes	Sports Hall
Library	Mon-Fri	Lower	Lunchtimes	Library
Computer Club	Mon	Both Sites		NF01&2/R3
Homework Club	Mon-Fri	Both Sites	3.15-4.15	
Science Club	Mon	Lower	3.30-4.30	Science Area
Computer Club	Tues	Both Sites		NF01&2/R3
Relax & Read	Tues & Thurs	Lower	Lunchtimes	WG03
Year 8 Football	Tues	Lower	3.15-5.30	
Year 10 Football	Tues	Upper	3.15-5.30	
Performing Arts	Tues	Upper	3.30-4.30	
Computer Club	Weds	Both Sites		NF01&2/R3
Music Club	Weds	Lower	3.15-4.15	NG01
Get It Maths	Weds	Lower	3.15-4.15	
Year 7 Football	Weds	Lower	3.15-5.30	
Sixth Form Football	Weds	Upper	3.15-5.30	
Film Club	Thurs	Lower	3.15-4.15	WF01
Year 11 Football	Thurs	Upper	3.15-5.30	
Go Golf	Thurs	Lower	3.30-4.30	
Spanish Amigos	Thurs	Lower	3.15-4.15	SF04
Group Sing Star Club	Thurs	Lower	3.15-4.15	NG01
Computer Club	Fri	Both Sites		NF&2/R3
Basketball Club	Fri	Lower	3.15-4.15	Sports Hall
Parkour Club	Fri	Upper	3.30-5.00	Sports Hall
Circuit Club	Fri	Upper	3.30-4.30	Gym

Please note that these activities can change term by term.

We are proud of the success of our students at the Royal Harbour Academy with almost 50% of sixth form going on to university.

Please feel free to come and see the school in operation during the school day





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