



UP HOLLAND HIGH SCHOOL

*At Up Holland High School we will
instil and encourage the following
qualities and skills:*

- Leadership
- Organisation
- Resilience
- Initiative
- Communication

Dedicated to Excellence



DEDICATED TO SUCCESS

Welcome to our prospectus, which captures our 'Dedication to Excellence' in all that we do.

Up Holland High School prides itself on the excellent opportunities it offers to all students in order for them to develop and succeed. This is achieved by offering a broad and balanced curriculum that is delivered by high quality practitioners. The school has an outstanding reputation for academic achievement and educational standards, which has been achieved by placing the individual child's needs at the core of our ethos and our decision making.

We recognise that the development of the 'whole child' is an integral part of our work. We want the students to achieve both fantastic outcomes and to develop their interpersonal skills so that they are confidently prepared for life beyond school. At the heart of this ethos we promote our core values of **leadership, organisation, resilience, initiative and communication.**

At Up Holland High School, we expect students to be self-motivated, ambitious, determined and hard working. We encourage them to make the most of their abilities and talents. Alongside this, we expect students to be kind, thoughtful and respectful to one another. We want them to participate in all aspects of school life, developing into responsible citizens who make a positive contribution to the wider community.

We strongly believe in the power of the 'student voice' and as such, afford the children the opportunity to positively impact change and improve our school by representing

our student councils and junior leadership team. We expect our students to be responsible role models to each other and to the students in our partner primary schools, promoting a sense of community responsibility.

The pastoral care is a real strength of our school. We pride ourselves on knowing the students as individuals, which enables us to successfully work in partnership with parents and carers. This partnership is absolutely critical in ensuring students are happy, healthy and successful.

Our extensive system of rewards encourages the pursuit of excellence and core values by celebrating progress, attainment and the overall contribution made to school life. High expectations of attendance, punctuality, uniform and behaviour underpin success in our school and lay the fundamental foundations for life beyond Up Holland.

You are most welcome to visit school to see us in action and to support us in whatever way you can. If you wish to visit us, or have any queries, please contact school by telephoning 01695 625 191 and asking to speak to Mrs A McKernan. You can also visit our website www.uhhs.uk

Yours sincerely,



P Scarborough Headteacher



"Since you took up post in September 2016 you have acted determinedly and successfully to raise standards." **OFSTED**

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DEDICATED TO CHARACTER, CULTURE AND LEARNING

*Creating a place that is
conducive to learning,
social interaction and
intellectual development.*

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At Up Holland School, we firmly believe in the development of the individual student, something that we promote through our prominent 'Character and Culture' programme.

This programme provides opportunities for students:

- To develop important values
- To make themselves more prepared to further education and attractive to future employers

The programme focuses on five key values (LORIC) that employers consider to be most desirable:

- Leadership
- Organisation
- Resilience
- Initiative
- Communication

Students begin to develop their LORIC values through our 'Character and Culture' programme. This begins in Y7 and continues through to Y11, with students completing a range of activities from an approved list. The activities can be many and varied and can be undertaken in normal lessons, in extra-curricular clubs or outside of school. The activities become more

challenging as they move through the levels, with children achieving 'Apprentice' 'Graduate' and ultimately 'Masters' accreditation.

We believe that our Character and Culture programme provides a real opportunity for students at Up Holland to gain the **EDGE** when they apply to colleges, universities and for positions of responsibility and employment.



DEDICATED TO A CURRICULUM THAT IS BOTH INNOVATIVE AND PERSONAL

At Up Holland we offer a broad and balanced curriculum ensuring each student is engaged and working to the best of their ability.

The key emphasis in all lessons is that students develop a real passion for learning and are challenged to make maximum progress. We offer a range of subjects at KS3 and KS4 which provides students with the opportunity to succeed, achieve and develop skills for their future. Our curriculum supports, stretches and challenges our students by delivering a personalised approach for each and every student. We embrace new technologies with subject areas having access to ICT facilities and classrooms having SMART boards that are linked to tablets, enabling the children to interact with the teacher and their own learning.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Extra-curricular opportunities are at the heart of our school community; we are dedicated to ensuring our school is a place where happy relationships are fostered. We offer our students various extra-curricular activities including: sports, performing arts and opportunities to learn about subjects beyond the classroom with local, national and international educational visits.

We are competitive and successful in our sports fixtures. The range and variety of activities on offer is a real strength of the school, encouraging our young people to develop friendships, practice new skills and embed our core values. Our Music and Performing Arts ensembles perform regularly in the local community and our Friday lunchtime concerts are proving very popular, especially when held outside in the Community Garden. We aim to ensure that we are at the centre of our community, creating an open, inclusive environment. All of our students are encouraged to support community activities throughout the year. They embrace the opportunity to fundraise for a wide range of charities and good causes.



*"An excellent, inclusive school.
They really are dedicated to
providing the best education
and all round experience to
the students"* S Dean, Parent

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A young boy with blonde hair, wearing a dark school suit and a striped tie, is smiling at the camera while holding an open book. He is standing in a library with bookshelves in the background. Another student is visible in the background, looking at a book.

DEDICATED TO A SMOOTH AND SUPPORTED START TO SCHOOL

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We run a series of taster days where the children can experience a day at Up Holland, introducing them gradually to the school

We understand how important it is to provide a smooth and successful transition into secondary school and ensure that every student feels ready for secondary school life.

The transition journey begins with visits and taster sessions in year 5 and concludes with our new intake evening for year 6 in the summer term. This gives parents and carers the opportunity to meet key staff and be well informed of our values and expectations. Our transition team place great importance on working collaboratively with primary feeder schools to gather the vital pastoral and academic information needed to guarantee a positive start to year 7. This may include an invite to 'Summer School' and further visits for those who require additional support in the transition process. You can be confident that your child will feel nurtured, supported and happy as they are welcomed into our school community.

STUDENT WELCOME

A very warm welcome to Up Holland from the Junior Leadership Team. We work hard to provide a link between the students, staff and the wider community to ensure that the best learning environment is created for everyone. Our school has an atmosphere and ethos that supports all students, giving them a 'voice' and the ability to communicate their wishes and feelings through us and their year group representatives. We understand that every student is different, with different skills, personalities and aspirations. We encourage and support everyone to be the best that they can be, striving for excellence in all that they do.

STUDENT VOICE

Students make a contribution to school life through their involvement with the Student Council. Within the full Executive Council we have four Sub Councils that are responsible for promoting our school values. We aim to develop confidence and leadership skills, with students working with younger year groups, leading assemblies and being involved in interviewing prospective new staff to the school.

Our prefect system starts in March of Year 10 and continues through to March of Year 11. This allows Year 10 to take on some key responsibility, whilst enabling Year 11 to prepare for exams. The Junior Leadership Team, consisting of Head Boy and Girl and Deputy Head Boy and Girl, play an active part in whole school decision making and lead the Student Council sub teams, as well as delivering regular year group assemblies.



DEDICATED TO PROVIDING EXCELLENT CARE AND SUPPORT

Because each of our students is an individual, we understand that each have their own particular strengths and needs.

At Up Holland High School, we have developed a culture of providing a structured programme of teaching and learning within a caring, supportive and secure community.

Each new student is welcomed into a tutor group when they join us and their Form Tutor becomes a key person in their everyday school life. Each year group is overseen by a Head of Year supported by a Pastoral Manager to ensure both the academic and personal development of individual students.

A clear rewards and sanction system engage students in their learning alongside half termly reward trips and termly reward assemblies. Rewards and sanctions are consistently applied across the school and this helps us maintain a supportive environment in which our young people can thrive and achieve.

We firmly believe at UHHS that home communication is a key to building relationships with families, with this in mind school uses an online platform Synergy whereby parents have their own portal which includes information showing the students Timetable, Homework, Attendance, Behaviour, Letters to Parents, School Calendar tailored with key dates for your child and all communication by email and texts are also stored within the parents portal.

We understand the importance of offering effective Careers Advice and Guidance throughout their school lives to provide a smooth and successful transition into further education when they leave us, feeling ready for college life or the world of work. All children in Year 9, 10 and 11 have access to careers advice from the Career North team. The children also have numerous opportunities to visit colleges and universities throughout their time at Up Holland so that they can get a taste for life beyond school. This enables the children to make more informed choices about the most appropriate pathway for them.

'The school maintain a strong team of pastoral staff who provide effective support and guidance'. OFSTED

ADMISSIONS

Up Holland High School is a Community School in Lancashire. The Admissions Authority for our school is Lancashire Authority at County Hall in Preston. The local authority's admissions booklet provides full details of admissions procedures. The school's published admissions number is 180.

For further information regarding admissions, please contact the Secondary Admissions Co-ordinator on 01772 531813





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