



UP HOLLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Dedicated to Excellence



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Our Vision:

We continually strive to:

Provide outstanding educational standards and outcomes, driven by our Dedication to Excellence.

Develop the whole child, enhancing their character through our LORIC skills and core values. Promote a culture of inclusion, equality and diversity.



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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 work with other schools within our Trust to collaborate and share good practice, all of which benefits the quality of education that the students in our care receive, strengthening their progress and undersatnding.

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. We expect students to be self-motivated, ambitious, determined and hard working, encouraging them to make the most of their abilities and talents. Alongside this, we expect students to be kind, thoughtful and respectful. 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 celebrating progress, attainment, attitude to learning 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 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 ask to speak to Mrs. J Harrison School Business Manager. You can also visit our website www.uhhs.uk

Yours sincerely

Mr P Scarborough
Head Teacher



"Pupils at Up Holland High School rise admirably to leaders' high expectations of their behaviour. They behave well. Pupils are respectful of others, and they model the school's values in their day-to-day actions."

Ofsted 2023





"Leaders' ambition for excellence is reflected in a well-designed and aspirational curriculum for pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)."

Ofsted Report 2023



"The best thing about high school has been meeting new friends and all the new lessons and the specialist equipment we get to use in lessons"

Year 7 Student



DEDICATED TO CHARACTER, CULTURE AND LEARNING



At Up Holland, we firmly believe in the development of the individual student, something that we promote through our prominent Personal Development programme.

This programme provides opportunities for students:

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

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



- Leadership
- Organisation
- Resilience
- Initiative
- Communication



In addition, students develop their character and understanding of the world of work through our 'Personal development Programme'. This begins in Y7 and continues through to Y11, with students completing a range of sessions from our teaching staff and visiting professionals.

Our 'Character and Culture' days provide opportunities for students to further develop the skills they study during Personal Development sessions. The days include input from all areas of school and our wider community. We believe that our Personal development 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

A young woman with long blonde hair, wearing a school uniform consisting of a dark blue blazer, a light blue collared shirt, a dark blue tie, and a dark blue V-neck sweater. She is smiling and looking towards the left. The background is slightly blurred, showing other people in school uniforms.

DEDICATED TO A CURRICULUM THAT IS BOTH INNOVATIVE AND PERSONAL

At Up Holland, we offer a broad, balanced and inclusive 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 enable the children to interact with the teacher and their own learning.



ENRICHMENT

Enrichment 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 enrichment activities across all areas of school, giving all students 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 half termly Friday 'Jam sessions' are extremely 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.



"I am very impressed with the way both teachers and pupils have respect for one another. I am very proud to have my daughter as part of this school community. Up Holland has become such a great school."

Parent Survey Comment

STUDENT VOICE

"The environment is very calm and gives us independence over our work especially when we do extra curricular activities"

Y11 Student



"The environment has improved, school have put a lot of work in make it look and feel as nice as possible."

Year 10 Student

Do you feel safe in school?

96% of Year 7 students gave a positive response

Pupil Attitudinal Survey

96%

Do teachers help me to improve my work?

94% of Year 7 students gave a positive response

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Do your teachers expect you to work hard in lessons?

98% of Year 7 students gave a positive response

Pupil Attitudinal Survey

98%

Are you happy with the range of subjects you learn about in school?

95% of Year 7 students gave a positive response

Pupil Attitudinal Survey

95%

Are teachers fair in the way they treat me?

94% of Year 7 students gave a positive response

Pupil Attitudinal Survey

94%





DEDICATED TO A SMOOTH AND SUPPORTED START TO 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 Y5 and concludes with our new intake evening for Y6 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 Y7. This may include 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. 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 the Summer Term for Year 9 and continues through to the Spring Term for Y11. This allows Y9 and Y10 to take on some key responsibility, whilst enabling Y11 to prepare for exams. The Junior Leadership Team, consisting of Lead Prefects, who 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



At Up Holland High School, we commit to providing a structured programme of teaching and learning, within a caring, supportive and secure community. Each new student is welcomed into a Personal Development group when they join us and their Personal Development Tutor becomes a key person in their everyday school life. Each year group is overseen by a Head of Year, to ensure both the academic and personal development of individual students.

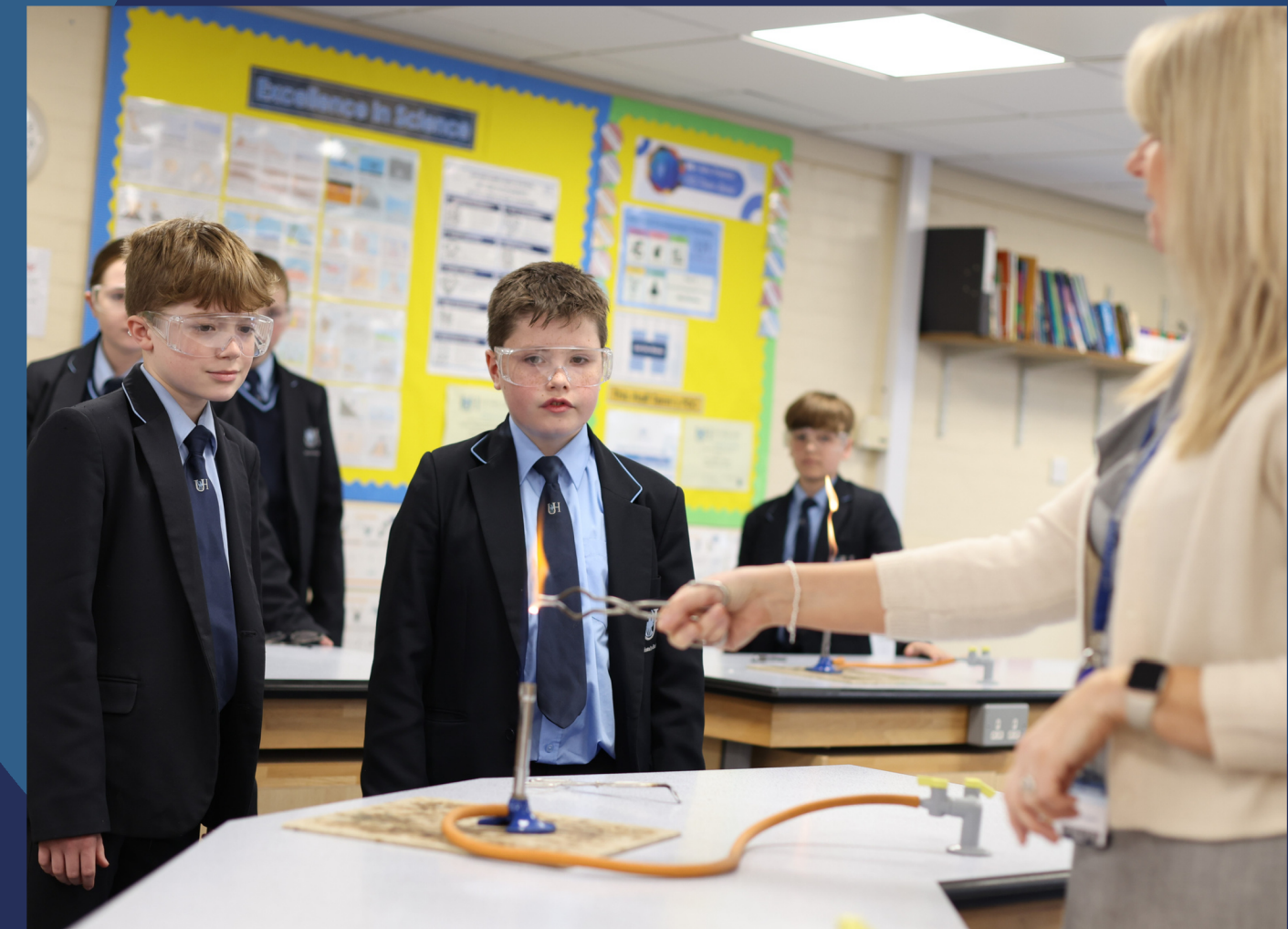


A clear rewards and sanction system engages students in their learning, alongside termly reward trips and reward assemblies. Rewards and sanctions are consistently applied across the school, helping us to maintain a supportive environment in which our young people can thrive and achieve. We firmly believe 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. 'Synergy' includes information showing the student's timetable, home learning, attendance, behaviour, letters to parents and a school calendar tailored with key dates for the student. All communication by email and texts are also stored within the parents' portal on Synergy.



We understand the importance of offering students effective Careers Advice and Guidance throughout their school lives. This provides a smooth and successful transition into further education when they leave us, ensuring readiness for college life or the world of work. All children have access to careers information, advice and guidance from our Careers Advisor. The students also have numerous opportunities to meet employers, visit colleges and universities throughout their time at Up Holland so that they can get a taste for life beyond school. This enables students to make more informed choices about the most appropriate pathway for them.





"Our daughter has thrived and the teaching and opportunities she has had, alongside the care and support she has been shown have been greatly appreciated and have helped to shape her into a young woman who is more than ready to take on the world!"

Parent Feedback





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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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