



OPPORTUNITY AND ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL

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The Priory Belvoir Academy is part of The Priory Federation of Academies Trust. The Trust's mission is "To improve the life chances of our students so they become true citizens of the world" through the core values of Wisdom, Curiosity, Generosity, Courage and Passion.





## WELCOME TO THE PRIORY BELVOIR ACADEMY

Thank you for expressing an interest in the Priory Belvoir Academy, situated in the idyllic Vale of Belvoir. We are a community spirited, flourishing, popular and successful school, with a history of high achievement and a vibrant enrichment programme of opportunities. The choice of where to educate your child is one of the most important decisions you will take and we look forward to supporting you in making it.

High expectations for achievement, participation, behaviour and uniform are consistently promoted throughout the school. These expectations are supported by our rewards, recognition and values system, known as Peacock Pride, which encourages our students to challenge themselves in achieving bronze, silver and gold in each of the five areas, developing them into independent, aspirant and engaged learners:

Physical Responsibility Inspiration Drive Engagement

A real strength of the school are the relationships between the students and staff, which are outstanding and based on mutual respect. These are developed further as our staff work creatively to offer a platform of opportunities. Individual talents are showcased through our additionality programme enabling our students to excel through sports at both county and national level, through performing arts in our annual production or through leadership roles in many aspects of school life.

Of course, no prospectus is ever a substitute for spending time in the school, so I would be very happy for you to visit the academy within the normal school day.

Mr L S Newton Headteacher



## CURRICULUM

The motto of the Priory Belvoir Academy is Opportunity and Achievement for All and this is the cornerstone of the curriculum we offer our students.

We offer an inspiring curriculum to develop the core values of the Priory Federation of Academies Trust: Wisdom, Curiosity, Generosity, Courage and Passion. Our varied, balanced curriculum aims to spark interest, encourage independent thought and broaden horizons, compelling every student to engage and excel.

Our broad curriculum offer is underpinned with strong academic elements but gives ample time for practical and creative subjects to produce rounded individuals with many talents. The philosophy of our rich programme of study is supported across the school by our Peacock Pride rewards, recognition and values system that recognises endeavour within the formal curriculum and outside of it, including all manner of extra-curricular activities.

We believe a 'knowledge-engaged' curriculum is central to fulfilling our aims for our students. This means that each subject focuses on building a body of essential knowledge alongside the key skills necessary to unlock these concepts. Learning is intentionally sequenced by our teachers with a logical progression of knowledge to enhance the interconnected nature of these core concepts and develop a fuller understanding of the subject as a whole. Various types of assessment are used purposefully throughout the year to develop learners' abilities, facilitate retention of knowledge and allow for personalised feedback and support.

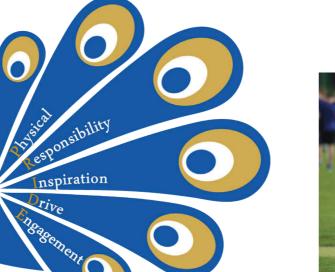
In building pathways for our students from Key Stage 3 to Key Stage 4 and into life beyond the academy, we offer our students subjects that learners of all abilities and localities can engage with. Our intention is for every student who attends our academy to increase their cultural capital to become valuable citizens of the world, and we endeavour to achieve this through our curriculum and through the wider opportunities that life at the Priory Belvoir Academy offers.



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## PERSONAL ENRICHMENT

The personal development of every individual is something that the Priory Belvoir Academy prides itself on. We understand that within our talented student body we have individuals with different needs, different tastes and different aspirations. We have created an environment in which individuals flourish. Opportunities are abundant and recognised through Peacock Pride.

Physical Award - Health and wellbeing Responsibility Award - Leadership Inspiration Award - Creativity Drive award - Excellence in attendance and progress Engagement Award - Commitment to the wider academy and community We encourage a sense of belonging to the wider community and develop a competitive spirit by assigning all students to one of four houses. This provides opportunities for sporting, musical, artistic and even culinary contributions as well as recognising academic achievement. Trophies and certificates, are awarded for individual and team successes and all students are encouraged to 'do their bit' towards the long awaited announcement of House Champions in the final end of year assembly.



"Students and their families are attracted by the Academy's unique secondary setting and rural environment."







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"We have an inclusive and aspirational culture where our staff believe that all students can succeed."

Students raise significant amounts of money for local and national charities, often chosen by them, allowing them to feel empowered to influence change while encouraging them to look at life beyond the classroom.

All students have the opportunity to participate in trips and residential visits during their time at the Priory Belvoir Academy.

To develop leadership skills, many of our students take up positions of responsibility while at the school, such as becoming a Form Captain, or becoming a member of the School Council, Sports Leadership Programme or the Prefect Team, while in Year 11 they can also be elected into the prestigious positions of Head Boy or Head Girl.

" Staff establish challenging and engaging learning environments."





## "OPPORTUNITY AND ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL" SCHOOL MOTTO

Our motto pervades all that we do and it is in pursuit of this ethos that we encourage academic success and personal enrichment of each individual child.

The Priory Belvoir Academy staff establish positive, challenging and engaging learning environments where all students feel confident to learn and feel valued as an individual. Our strong partnerships between staff, students, their families and the wider community help to reinforce our ethos in terms of academic success and personal enrichment, along with our high expectations with regard to uniform, attitudes and attendance.





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