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**Brownhills
Ormiston Academy**





Welcome to Brownhills Ormiston Academy

We are ambitious as an academy and find that being a small academy allows us to give that extra care, guidance and support that enables all students to succeed.

Welcome to Brownhills Ormiston Academy. The academy works hard to ensure that all of our students are well-equipped to be members of a modern, British society. We have 3 values across our school: Ready (Ready to learn and thrive), Respect (Respect for oneself and others in all we say and do), and Safe (Safe in all our actions for a happy and caring school community). These are firmly embedded within the culture of learning and we are proud that our student community demonstrates these impressive behaviours daily.

Our ambitious curriculum enables students to acquire and retain the knowledge and skills required in each key stage to meet their full academic potential and to be prepared for post-16 pathways. The emphasis at Brownhills Ormiston Academy remains firmly on helping the individual to achieve the very best results in all aspects of school life, with particular support and guidance in gaining the qualifications, skills and experience necessary to follow their chosen career path.

Alongside the academic success, the academy is a happy, supportive and caring place to be. A range of activities take place at lunchtime and after school for pupils to enjoy and learn from. The academy takes pride in its sports, arts, music, drama and ICT provision.

In a competitive employment market, it is more essential than ever that schools and academies prepare young people well to be able to challenge for the best jobs and college/university places in a competitive world. Parents and carers are very positive about the education offered by the academy and the inspectors agree with their views. Ofsted 2013 judged us to be a GOOD school with OUTSTANDING features in Leadership and Management. The May 2017 report states that the school continues to be GOOD and we have maintained a good quality of education since our last inspection. Leadership and Management and Safeguarding remain outstanding and Teaching and Learning are strengths of the school.

Parents and prospective pupils are welcome to contact the academy to arrange a visit during or after the school day. I look forward to meeting you and your child.



Ann Lloyd Principal

'Leadership is clear, thorough and compassionate and consequently a culture of shared responsibility exists among staff and Governors. A caring and professional approach contributes strongly to the positive ethos of the school.'

OFSTED - 2017



Open

'The safety of pupils is always a priority.'



'Students comment on how safe they feel in school at all times. Students say bullying is rare and if it does occur it is dealt with straight away and is treated very seriously. Students speak highly of the way that the school teaches them to keep safe and they feel well informed.' OFSTED - 2017

communication is valued



Real partnerships and honest, open communication are at the heart of Brownhills.

In our academy, pupils learn to express themselves with confidence because they feel supported and their concerns are respected and acted upon. Parents develop confidence in their child's education through regular parents' meetings and our open door policy. Teachers appreciate the mutual understanding that arises from this shared focus and commitment to success.

Beyond the academy partnerships are important too. Our educational programme and excellent sports and technology facilities are strong. We are a member of the Brownhills Cluster Group which includes 14 local primary schools. These crucial links help keep Brownhills at the centre of our local community.



a happy and vibrant
community...

'Brownhills is a real family school, staff and students appreciate each other and work together to get excellent results. The friends I have met here will be my friends for the rest of my life.'

James Year 10

Brownhills is a thriving and vibrant learning community, where pupils are eager to succeed and teachers are passionate and committed. Visitors often comment on the warm and friendly atmosphere in the school and the buzz of activity that greets them.

In our academy, elected pupils play a key role on the School Council, and our student leadership scheme encourages organisational skills and responsible behaviour. Brownhills is a Healthy Eating Academy and all children are encouraged to follow a healthy and balanced diet.

Brownhills is a community academy in the broadest sense. Many other schools regularly use our 20 metre indoor pool, and local children can experience new activities via our popular after school clubs. Pupils are rightly proud of their fund raising activities for local and national charities.



'The teachers at Brownhills work to help you succeed. You get lots of support. They don't just tell you what to do, they help you to make the right choices.'

Rachel YR11

passionate



'The school has a very clear understanding of what needs to be done to ensure all students fulfil their potential and you have a leadership team with the capacity to improve the school further. Pupils are supported as well as challenged to ensure they make at least good progress and enjoy their learning.' OFSTED -2017



Our commitment to high quality specialist teaching, supported by excellent facilities and appropriate learning support, has led to excellent results. This upward trend is set to continue.

We follow the national curriculum leading to GCSE and other vocational qualifications. Brownhills has a clear policy regarding pupils with learning difficulties and other special needs, and our aim is to maximize potential and provide a broad and balanced curriculum. There is a very active Gifted and Talented programme running throughout the year.

Regular trips are an important and stimulating part of the Brownhills educational experience, and pupils regularly experience longer trips to Europe and beyond.

about education...



a real sense of purpose and enjoyment...

A real sense of purpose and enjoyment are the defining characteristics of our broad enrichment programme.

At lunchtimes, and after school, pupils enjoy a wide choice of activities and clubs including:-

- Design Technology
- PE and Sports
- Music
- ICT
- Dance
- Art
- Performing Arts

All pupils are encouraged to play sport and the academy competes successfully at football, swimming, gymnastics and many other individual and team games.

The academy puts on numerous plays and music concerts throughout the year and parts in the annual school play are keenly contested. Brownhills' Got Talent is a highlight of the academy calendar and the standard of performance is extraordinary.

'Good attendance is promoted at every opportunity with students, parents and staff and is a high priority in school. Governors are well aware of the importance of attendance and provide good levels of challenge in order to evaluate the student strategies in place.'

'Staff at Brownhills let you have the freedom to be the person you want to be. You are treated as an individual and allowed to express yourself in whatever way works for you.'

Richard YR9



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