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Welcome to Westfield Sports College

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“ I like Westfield because the teachers are friendly and always willing to help ”

At Westfield Sports College we believe in providing a rounded, inclusive education for all our students, supporting their development as responsible members of the community, raising expectations and contributing to the wellbeing and cohesion of the community we serve. All staff at Westfield Sports College recognise the uniqueness of each child. Each individual is valued as a member of the College community and is given a wide range of learning experiences and opportunities to develop their talents and succeed.

Work that is on-going with the Westfield Sports College Trust, an independent body which exists to promote the values and ethos of the College, is providing even more opportunities for our students and improving learning, wellbeing and community engagement.

We are extremely proud of our Sports, Business and Enterprise status and are committed to raising standards in everything we do to continue our pursuit of excellence. We have clear rules and expectations at Westfield Sports College and we expect everyone to respect them. We acknowledge and reward student achievement through our medal award system and also recognise the successes our students have outside of College.

Staff and Governors are proud of the achievements of Westfield Sports College and its students. We hope that this prospectus provides you with an insight into the workings of the College. If you require further details regarding the provision for students at Westfield please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Simmons
Headteacher





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Our iconic building provides all of the specialist accommodation for the delivery of the full curriculum range. The high-tech ICT facilities are both cable and wireless, four dedicated ICT rooms, ICT centre with 100 PCs, smaller satellite ICT rooms and interactive whiteboards allow for the teaching and learning of the students at the highest level.

The College has dedicated accommodation for Special Educational Needs and also includes an Integrated Resource Unit for students with moderate learning difficulties.

The Sports facilities are second to none, and this is reflected in the high quality of provision of sport, both indoor and outdoor, which includes a 25m swimming pool with moveable floor, large sports hall, fitness suite, activity centre, all weather floodlit pitches and hard games courts. Enthusiastic staff throughout the College provide a full range of out of College learning opportunities for students and a comprehensive programme of events provided by the Sports Centre ensure that facilities are fully utilised by the local community as well as the College.

The College also has access to a residential centre, Greta Cottage at Cliburn in the Lake District, which is used extensively by groups from the College for both curriculum extension work and for activities organised by our Outdoor Pursuits Co-ordinators, including the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme which is available to students in Years 9 and above.

The College has also begun to offer post 16 provision in partnership with the Peaks Centre of Sheffield College and has students following Level 3 BTec Sport and Level 3 ICT Diploma courses.

“ the sports and activity facilities are fantastic ”



“ you make friends really quickly ”



Transition from Primary School

Before students join us from primary school, a carefully planned programme of visits and activities operate to ensure a smooth transfer and settling in at the College. This includes a special induction period at the end of Year 6 where students participate in a full College programme.

Some students inevitably join Westfield Sports College at a later stage. These students will undertake a specialist induction programme through our Student Services Base to ensure that they integrate with as little disruption as possible to their studies. Parents and carers of year 6 students are invited to attend our transition events at Westfield Sports College in October and July, but we are very willing to meet parents and carers informally, at any time by prior arrangement.

Student Support and Development

Westfield Sports College staff with responsibility for supporting students with specific educational needs maintain close relationships with our partner primary schools to aid an effective transition from Year 6 to Year 7.

The College's Transition Coordinator, Learning Support Coordinator and Pastoral Managers work closely with our partner primary schools in years 5 and 6 to identify students with additional needs. We work with students in a wide range of different ways and in partnership with agencies who may be able to offer specialised support, to ensure that each student has the opportunity to maximise their learning potential.

Those students who are identified with having barriers to learning have their individual learning needs assessed as part of an ongoing review programme within the SEN Code of Practice. The support we offer is varied, depending on the needs of a student; this can be classroom based, individual or within specialist groups. The College recognises that a student may at any time experience difficulties that could impact on their learning. The College takes responsibilities to identify and address any support required. This may include involving other agencies and support groups.

We also identify students who may require additional support through more formal assessment and tests. This includes students identified as being gifted and/or talented, who are encouraged and challenged to develop at a pace appropriate to their ability.



Student Welfare

Westfield Sports College operates a Hall system and vertical tutor groups. Each tutor group will have a number of students from each year, enabling each student to get to know and work with students from other year groups. This helps students to interact with people of all ages and develop skills which are crucial in further education and employment. The vertical tutor system also allows staff to focus attention on individual year groups at particular pressure points during the academic year, ensuring greater contact time.

Students are also given the opportunity to influence decision making at the College through the Student Council. Representatives from across the year groups and from all four Halls regularly meet to share ideas, raise concerns and to make suggestions on both Westfield Sports College and local community issues. The elected committee also represents the student body to the Governors and are involved in recruiting staff to the College.

We believe that students learn best when they feel happy and secure. We have therefore created an environment that is positive, productive and one where students are supported through times of difficulty by an effective and well prepared Pastoral Team. Each Hall has an Assistant Headteacher and a Pastoral Manager working with Form Tutors and other staff to ensure that we have a detailed knowledge and understanding of every individual student to help them achieve their very best.

It is the Form Tutor and Pastoral Manager of your child's Hall who will be your first point of contact with the College.

The Educational Welfare Service and the College Nurse work in partnership with Westfield Sports College to contribute to the welfare of students. The College also provides access to an independent counselling service which is available to students, parents/carers and staff either through self-referral or referral via the College's Student Services Panel.

“ Being a member of the student council helps to give me a voice within college and help others in the community ”





“ *vertical tutor groups are good. You get to meet people from other year groups and you can help younger students by passing on your experiences* ”

Teaching and Learning

Our aim at Westfield Sports College is to educate the whole person. We nurture independent learners, through our inclusive personalised curriculum, to prepare them to be equipped for life and to be good citizens.

The Personal and Social Education and Citizenship programmes help students to gain a better understanding of themselves as individuals and to consider their relationships within the society in which they live. The wide range of extra-curricular activities gives each student opportunities for personal development through involvement in sports, business and enterprise and creative activities such as drama and dance.

A considerable amount of thought has gone into the content and delivery of the curriculum at Westfield Sports College. The curriculum has been designed to provide increasing engagement and motivation for students of all abilities.

The College has developed a personalised approach to learning. In Key Stage 3 a skills and competencies curriculum ensures a smoother transition from Primary School. In Years 7 and 8, students are developed to learn independently. In Key Stage 4, which at Westfield Sports College is the Years 9, 10 and 11, students have an individual pathway and the most able Gifted and Talented students are able to take GCSEs, A/S and A2 Levels. Our students with special educational needs have three years to ensure they achieve. Students also study off site and at work based placements.



Our GCSE work starts in Year 9 and continues through to Year 11 (Key Stage 4). Students in Year 9 start by making two option choices which are studied through the year. In the core subjects students will undertake different courses based on their targets and abilities. Some will take a three years route to GCSE; others will take a GCSE in a year. English, English Literature, Media, Mathematics, Statistics and up to three GCSEs in Science are available. The College also offers A/S Level Courses to students in Key Stage 4.

The wider curriculum includes NVQs, BTEC, Functional Skills and specialist diplomas alongside the more traditional route of GCSEs. Some students are given the opportunity to study off-site in partnership with other education and training providers.

Our options system, coupled with the core subjects offered, allow students to fulfil the requirements of the English Baccalaureate by gaining grade A*-C in Mathematics, English, two Sciences, a Humanities subject and a foreign language.

We are proud of the opportunities provided across a full range of activities, the quality of which has been widely recognised. We are committed to achieving high standards in all that we do and we set ourselves challenging targets. The aim of Westfield Sports College is to continually raise the quality of teaching and learning to improve student attainment.

Religious Education

Religious Education is part of the curriculum throughout Westfield Sports College. The College's programme mirrors that of the Sheffield Local Authority agreed syllabus, which is non-denominational. All students undertake Religious Education lessons and assemblies are held each day. The College's approach is broadly Christian with moral issues and other world religions being studied. Parents and carers who wish to exercise their right, on religious grounds, to withdraw their child from Religious Education lessons or assemblies should make an application in writing to the Headteacher who will consider the request.



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