

President  
Kennedy  
School



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# PROSPECTUS

An Ofsted OUTSTANDING School



# Building Brighter Futures

At President Kennedy School everything we do is focused on **Building Brighter Futures** for our students, our staff and our Community. We are proud of our “no barriers” approach to education, ensuring children of all abilities and from all backgrounds are encouraged to set high goals and work hard to achieve them.

Our school endeavours to achieve its aims by encouraging:

- \* High academic attainment
- \* A caring environment where all individuals are equally valued
- \* A thirst for study and investigation
- \* Respect for the beliefs, opinions and needs of other people
- \* The ability to work independently and with others
- \* A sense of fairness and responsibility
- \* Pride in oneself and our school
- \* An appreciation of art and culture
- \* Pursuit of a healthy lifestyle
- \* An awareness of issues that affect the world, including the environment
- \* The professional development of our staff

Our examination results are some of the best in Coventry and the vast majority of our leavers secure places at university or on apprenticeship schemes. We are delighted that in July 2013, our school was judged outstanding in all areas by Ofsted, awarded World Class Schools Status in 2017 and re-accredited in 2019.

**Welcome to The Bridge**, a College dedicated purely for Year 7 students! We understand that choosing a secondary school for your child and getting the best possible start is a high priority for parents.

The Bridge has been welcoming Year 7 students into its dedicated school with its own outside play area, garden and art studio for the past 11 years. In that time, The Bridge has been widely praised by parents, the educational press, OFSTED and education specialists for setting the national standard for transition between primary school, secondary school and regularly hosts visitors from schools all over the country.

The Bridge's team of specialist staff have developed a reputation for providing the very best educational achievement for each and every one of its students. You will, of course, be able to tour The Bridge and speak to our Year 7 specialists. In the meantime, I hope this leaflet will provide you with a flavour of what The Bridge is about and why we are so successful.

*Mrs Alexander-Weller,  
Director of the Bridge*

## Specialised Curriculum

All Year 7 students will take part in a carefully crafted curriculum that encompasses traditional academic subjects such as English, Maths and Science taught by our specialist teachers plus a range of cross curricular learning experiences.

The key to success is careful assessment when the children arrive at President Kennedy School which enables us to identify strengths and weaknesses early. We then devise highly personalised timetables for each student based on their particular needs to make sure that every child is stretched to reach their full potential.

Students are quickly placed in sets according to their ability in English and Maths.

Students who arrive below national average in key subjects such as English and Maths are often offered additional lessons such as our Fresh Start & Guided Reading Programme in small groups which give them just the boost they need.



"All Year 7 students have the opportunity to graduate at the end of the year at a special ceremony held at a prestigious city centre venue. The programme tracks and celebrates each student's achievements, including their academic success and their extra curricular accomplishments within school" **Ofsted**



## Team Brunel

High attaining students are placed in our accelerated 'Team Brunel' programme which ensures that they get the additional stretch that they need.

However, raising aspirations of all Bridge students is an important principle and all students will visit a university in their first year of school at President Kennedy.



"All students now join the school in Year 7 by entering "The Bridge", a dedicated area of the school. It is a very safe and supportive environment which helps students to make the transition from primary school to secondary school, and where teachers can provide extremely skilled and effective intervention to quickly improve reading, handwriting, spelling and grammar or numeracy skills that might hold students back in other subjects." **Ofsted**

## Extra curricular activities

Part of school life at The Bridge is participation in a wide range of experiences to develop our pupils both academically and socially. Activities include extending academic interests, sports, performing arts, community projects and the media, preserving the environment and student leadership. Students participate in the annual 'Bridge Performance'.

Past performances include 'Grease' In 2014, 'Wizard of Oz' in 2015, 'Annie' in 2016, 'Aladdin' in 2017, Bugsy Malone in 2018 and Beauty and the Beast in 2019.

### *Sports team and activities at The Bridge:*

- Rugby
- Cricket Academy
- Tennis
- Netball Academy
- Athletics
- Judo
- Basketball
- Trampolineing
- Dance
- Table Tennis

### *Arts activities at The Bridge:*

- The Bridge Production
- Drama Club
- Debating Club
- Band
- Film Club
- Performing Arts Academy

### *Homework and learning at The Bridge:*

- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Club featured on BBC Midlands Today
- Homework Club (supervised provision after school)
- Learning Ambassadors
- Maths Puzzle Club
- Handwriting Club
- Time Tables Rockstars
- Fresh Start Reading Intervention
- Nesy Spelling Intervention
- Lexonik Vocabulary Intervention

### *Environmental activities at The Bridge:*

- Eco Club
- Bridge Allotment
- Recycling Scheme
- Outdoor Classroom
- Gardening Club

"The opportunities afforded to students in The Bridge are most inspiring. There are so many clubs to choose from and everyone is encouraged to become involved. Students are given extra support based on their earning ability and the chance to visit places like Cambridge University."

**Parent**

## Staff at the Bridge

The Bridge boasts an experienced team who are all educational professionals dedicated to the Year 7 students in their care. The Bridge is led by Mrs Alexander-Weller, Director of the Bridge, who has many years experience in school leading and developing Year 7 students. There is also a Bridge Pastoral Leader who specialises in the Pastoral Care of 11-12 year olds.

The Bridge staff are always on hand to answer questions and ensure the students feel secure and happy. The team is greatly enhanced by a full time literacy specialist, Miss Griffin, and several numeracy teachers who assess children's ability, monitor progress and organise additional lessons which increase attainment in these important subjects. There is also a strong team of Bridge teaching assistants who specialise in supporting Year 7s.

## Parents and Carers

At every stage of our Transition Programme we go out of our way to meet and engage with prospective parents and carers. This is important to us for two reasons. Firstly, parents and carers are a vital source of information and this input helps us understand the individual needs of children early on. Secondly, parents and carers are an essential part of the process of education. We know that close relationships between parents/carers and our staff greatly enhances the success of your child through their time at President Kennedy School. Year 7 Parents are invited to join a Parental Partnership group to provide us with continual feedback and ideas for improvement. We also offer regular events where parents can join us and learn alongside their child.

***Together, we are Building Brighter Futures!***

"I couldn't have asked for a more supportive staff team to help my child settle into Year 7. Ask them anything, it's never too much."

**Year 7 Parent**



# The Bridge Team



**Mrs Alexander-Weller**

## Director of The Bridge

Mrs Alexander-Weller oversees the provision and performance within The Bridge, ensuring that every student achieves their potential and demonstrates outstanding character in everything they attempt.

Mrs Alexander-Weller will ensure that high standards are maintained in every aspect of school life.



**Mr Townsend**

## Progress Leader

Mr Townsend is an experienced teacher and the member of staff responsible for ensuring that every child in The Bridge makes outstanding progress.

He is responsible for an extensive and much praised enrichment programme tailored to the needs and interests of our Year 7 students.



**Miss Griffin**

## Leader of Literacy

Miss Griffin brings expertise in literacy, numeracy and primary school teaching methods to our team.

She is responsible for developing literacy skills in The Bridge and has had considerable success raising the standards of students' reading and writing, numeracy and ensuring accelerated progress.

Miss Griffin works closely with primary schools on transition from primary to secondary school.

# The Bridge Team



**Mr Winterton**

**Pastoral Leader**

Mr Winterton is the Pastoral Leader of The Bridge who oversees the transition from primary to secondary school.

Mr Winterton's main responsibility is to ensure that every student is fully prepared for their learning and works closely with families to ensure that the student's welfare is of paramount importance.



**Mrs Arnett**

**Student Leadership and Character Development**

Mrs Arnett is an English teacher who is responsible for 'Leadership and Character' behaviours in The Bridge.

She delivers a programme which ensures students develop outstanding personal characteristics. This includes providing public speaking, school council activities and performance opportunities such as the 'Shakespeare in Schools' festival.

Mrs Arnett is also in charge of the 'Interact Rotary Club' where we develop links with numerous charities and community based work.



**Mrs Sharp**

**Learning Mentor**

Mrs Sharp works closely with students to identify any personal barriers to learning and liaises with teachers to explore personalised strategies that could help students be more successful in the classroom.

Mrs Sharp's intervention support is personalised and can come in many forms.

It can range from supporting communication strategies, helping students self-regulate or building self-esteem. This can be within small groups or 'one to one' sessions.

# The Bridge Teaching Assistant Team



**Mrs Cobden**

**Customer Communications  
Officer**

Mrs Cobden is often the first point of contact for parents and visitors to The Bridge and she co-ordinates many of the events that happen throughout the year.

Mrs Cobden manages the administration of The Bridge team, including attendance and reporting and ensures that The Bridge is well organised and supported.



**Mrs Wilson**

**Higher Level Teaching  
Assistant and  
Intervention  
Co-ordinator**

Mrs Wilson oversees and delivers our personalised intervention programme ensuring that literacy and numeracy skills are embedded for all students in The Bridge.

She works closely with Miss Griffin to ensure all learners are on track to make exceptional progress. Mrs Wilson also liaises with our TA Team, SENCO and The Bridge teachers to ensure barriers to learning are removed.



**Miss Conelly-Jones**  
Teaching Assistant



**Ms Banova**  
Teaching Assistant

# An Ofsted Outstanding School



“Leaders, staff and governors share a passionate commitment to raise the aspirations and achievement of all the students who attend the school.”

***Ofsted***



“Students feel extremely safe. One student described school as “like home” because they felt so well supported”

***Ofsted***

“Behaviour is outstanding and it makes a very significant contribution to the quality of learning.”

***Ofsted***



The Bridge “is A very safe and supportive environment which helps students make the transition from primary school to secondary school, and where teachers can provide very skilled and effective support and intervention to quickly improve reading, handwriting, spelling and grammar or numeracy skills.”

***Ofsted***



“The school has an exceptional commitment to equality of opportunity. Great care is taken to ensure that the most able and students with special educational needs are supported, encouraged and inspired to do well.”

***Ofsted***



“Very challenging targets are set for students when they join the school. The progress of each student towards their target is monitored regularly, and action is quickly taken if anyone looks to be falling behind.”

***Ofsted***



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Peter Thomas  
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President Kennedy School Academy  
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Dear Peter,

Congratulations to you and everyone at your school on your excellent performance last year. At SSAT we believe it's important to celebrate and share the success stories of schools across the network who have gone above and beyond, so I'm delighted to announce that your school has won an SSAT Educational Outcomes award: your school is in the top 10% of schools nationally for progress in the 2017 end of KS4 examinations. This is based on your students' best 8 average point scores at key stage 4.

#### **Congratulations on your SSAT Educational Outcomes Award, sponsored by Lexonik**

Available only to SSAT network members, the awards are based on data from the SSAT Educational Outcomes database – a unique performance analysis tool combining DfE and Ofsted sources, showing data for every state-funded school in the country. You can use it to compare your performance with other schools, and at SSAT we use it to identify SSAT Educational Outcomes Awards winners.

Watch out for your SSAT Educational Outcomes Award Winner logo which will be emailed to you shortly, to add to your website and stationery. The email will also contain a press release template to help you to communicate your success to your local press and community.

#### **Celebrate your success at a regional SSAT Educational Outcomes Awards ceremony**

I'm delighted to offer you an invitation to a celebration event, at no extra cost, to take place in your region during the summer term. Your SSAT Relationship Manager will be in touch soon with further details on the date, venue and how you can ensure you can be there to receive your award alongside other high-performing schools in your area. I look forward to seeing you there to present you with your SSAT Educational Outcomes Award certificate personally. Your constant hard work and dedication is an inspiration to the community which we're proud to highlight and share with the SSAT network.

You can access the SSAT Educational Outcomes database online at any time by signing into the Exchange, at **ssatuk.co.uk/the-exchange**. To see details of your school's performance, simply apply the relevant filters on the spreadsheet. If you need help, please email your Relationship Manager on **RMteam@ssatuk.co.uk**.

Sincere congratulations once again from everyone at SSAT to you, your team and your students. Your Relationship Manager will be in touch shortly to discuss your attendance at the celebration event.

With best wishes,

Sue Williamson, Chief Executive

# Being an Outstanding Bridge Learner means...

## BEING COMMITTED TO YOUR LEARNING

Having your Bridge Five out on the desk ready to learn.
Working independently in class to demonstrate your capabilities.
Collaborating with your peers about your work, developing each other in your learning.
Contributing ideas and answers to your teachers regularly, engaging in your learning.
Using all resources in The Bridge to develop your oracy, literacy and numeracy skills.
Using standard English in oracy in all your lessons.
Using accurate SPaG and formal language in your writing in all subjects.
Asking your teachers relevant questions that will help you develop in your learning.
Showing PRIDE in all your lessons through positive learning habits and outstanding presentation.
Being able to articulate the skills and knowing how to improve in your learning.
Demonstrating respect to fellow pupils and teachers.

## BEING PUNCTUAL

Getting up on time, so that you are in school before 8.40am.
Getting washed, dressed and ready to walk out of the door with everything you need.
Leaving the house to get to the bus stop or to school on time.
Going straight home unless you are involved in an Enrichment activity.

## TAKING PRIDE IN YOUR UNIFORM

Knowing and following the school rules regarding uniform, including footwear.
Making sure everything is prepared the night before.
Making sure a full President Kennedy PE kit is taken to school on the day it is needed.

## BEING IN THE RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME

Being in The Bridge for 8.40am - at the latest.
Knowing what lessons take place on a particular day.
Knowing where the classroom is for each lesson.
Getting to lessons on time – especially after break and lunch.

## ORGANISING YOUR BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT

Having a good system for looking after your books and equipment.
Reading your timetable to know what lessons you have each day.
Knowing what equipment is needed for each lesson (e.g. ruler, compass, calculator, PE kit.).
Using the planner to write down important notes and messages, to refer to as a reminder.
Having a bag packed with everything needed for the day.

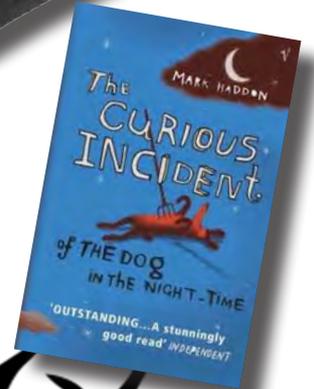
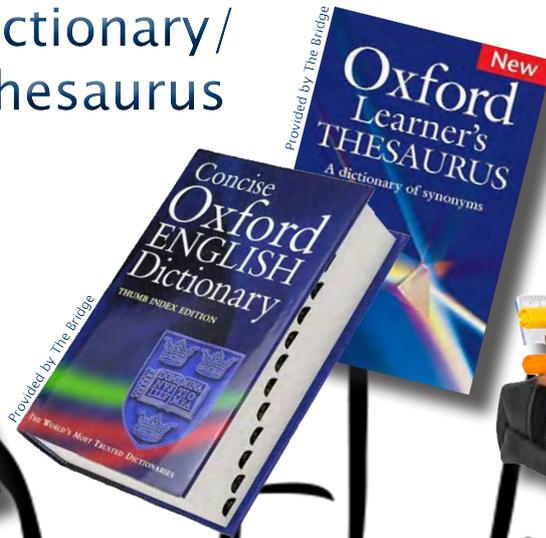
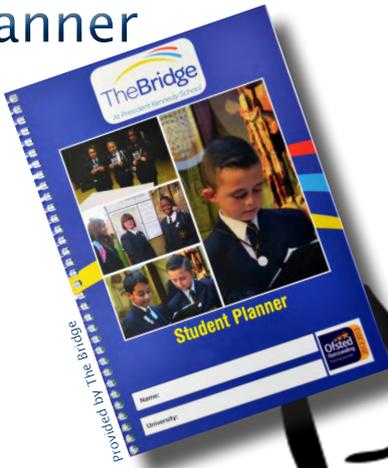
## BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR HOMEWORK

Writing down your homework in your planner correctly, with all the information you need.
Recording the date on which it is due to be handed in.
Asking for more details if you are not sure what the task means and checking with the teacher if you are not sure what books you will need etc.
Using your planner to remind you of what you have to do and having your planner signed weekly.
Contacting your teacher (in person or via email) about your homework if you are unsure - before the day it is due.

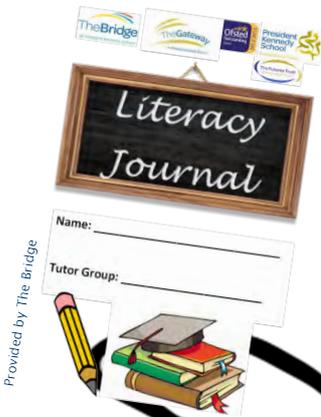
Dictionary/  
Thesaurus

Planner

Complete  
pencil case



Reading  
book



Literacy Journal

  
**The Bridge**  
At President Kennedy School

# GIVE ME 5!

**YOU MUST HAVE THESE WITH YOU EVERY DAY  
AND OUT AT THE START OF EVERY LESSON**



# Our School Day

First Lunch	Year 7, 9, 10	Second Lunch	Year 8, 11, P16
Warning bell	8.40am	Warning bell	8.40am
Tutor Period	8.45am - 9.10am	Tutor Period	8.45am - 9.10am
Lesson 1	9.10am - 10.10am	Lesson 1	9.10am - 10.10am
Break	10.10am - 10.25am	Break	10.10am - 10.25am
Lesson 2	10.25am - 11.25am	Lesson 2	10.25am - 11.25am
Lunch	11.25am - 12.10pm	Lesson 3	11.25am - 12.10pm
Lesson 3	12.10pm - 1.05pm	Lunch	12.10pm - 1.05pm
Lesson 4	1.05pm - 2.05pm	Lesson 4	1.05pm - 2.05pm
Lesson 5	2.05pm - 3.00pm	Lesson 5	2.05pm - 3.00pm
End of School Day			

# An Example of a Year 7 Student Timetable

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Mon:1 Project 2 MSY	G01 Tue:1 English MAR	G18 Wed:1 P.E. AS	SA Thu:1 Project 1 NC2	G14 Fri:1 Project 2 MSY
Mon:2 Project 1 FS	MSY Tue:2 Project 2 MSY	G01 Wed:2 English MAR	G18 Thu:2 Math AFR	G17 Fri:2 P.E. JTR
Mon:3 Project 3 JCH	MJ Tue:3 Math MJ	G17 Wed:3 IT KM	G16 Thu:3 Project 1 FS	G14 Fri:3 Science AH
Mon:4 Tutor Period JCH	G10 Tue:4 Languages AY	G12 Wed:4 Math AFR	G14 Thu:4 Science AH	S08 Fri:4 English MAR
Mon:5 Project 1 FS	G14 Tue:5 English MAR	G18 Wed:5 Languages VS	G12 Thu:5 Project 1 NC2	G13 Fri:5 Math AFR
Mon:pm P.E. (Alt) PS				
				G01
				SA
				S08
				G18
				G17

# Our students welcome you!



**Hello my name is Mason Clowes and I went to Holbrook Primary School.**

“I have had an outstanding experience in The Bridge. The teachers are so caring and always want to challenge me in my lessons. I was involved in the ‘*Beauty and the Beast*’ Year 7 production. This experience helped me make lots of friends and as a result, I grew in confidence. The best part of The Bridge are the trips! This year I have visited the Houses of Parliament, theatres in Birmingham and universities.”



**Hello my name is Namreta Dehil and I went to Whitmore Park School.**

“This year in The Bridge I have been given lots of fantastic opportunities and have always shown PRIDE by being polite to teachers and my peers. When I first went into The Bridge I was scared of meeting new people but after a couple of days I had made lots of new friends. The best part of The Bridge is how safe and friendly it is. I feel excited and am now ready to go to Year 8.”



**Hello my name is Ashanti Sappleton and I went to Parkgate School.**

“In Year 7, I worked very hard in all of my lessons, particularly Art and French. I managed to earn lots of positive points and loved being able to spend them in our reward shop on vouchers and stationery. I was given lots of support in The Bridge and worked on *Nessy* and *Timestables Rockstars* on the computers. My teachers were always happy to help me. At the end of Year, I graduated with a cap and gown!”

# Our students welcome you!



**Hello my name is  
Zayn Hassan and  
I went to  
Parkgate School.**

“During my time at Parkgate, I was worried that President Kennedy School was a large school and would be hard to get used to, but being in The Bridge put my mind at rest.

I have enjoyed excelling in my subjects, particularly History where I was able to watch a live performance of ‘*Horrible Histories*’ on stage.

The Bridge is the best year to try something different!



**Hello my name is  
Maddie Birch and I  
went to Keresley  
Newland School.**

“I have had an outstanding experience during my year in The Bridge. I have taken part in so many opportunities such as dance, singing, netball, rounders and Team Brunel.

I particularly enjoyed all of the performing arts opportunities we have. I was involved in a production of ‘*Romeo and Juliet*’ and performed on stage at the Belgrade Theatre.

At the end of the year, we visited Pembrokeshire and tried out surfing and kayaking. Overall it has been an amazing year.”



**Hello my name is  
Nihal Poonia and I  
went to  
Hill Farm School.**

“I was very nervous at the start of Year 7 as I said good bye to my primary school. However, despite my worries, the staff helped me settle in to The Bridge.

As part of Team Brunel, I had the chance to attend the University of Cambridge and also went to Warwick University with my tutor group. This was amazing, as we got to experience what life is like for a university student.

Overall, I found being a part of The Bridge was a phenomenal experience!”

# Making the Grade ... At GCSE and A Level



Another set of outstanding GCSE results in 2021, doubling overall academic progress from 2020.

In 2021, President Kennedy School's GCSE results were strong for another year, with 74% of students achieving at least five GCSEs at grade 4+ including English and Maths. Student performance at 7+ was as strong as ever, with 14% of students achieving five or more 7+ grades.

This year's results were partly based on internal teacher assessment of students, demonstrating just how confident teachers were in students' ability as the cohort developed through their five years at the school.

Based on these results, and results from the past four years, students at President Kennedy School typically achieve at least a third of a grade higher across their subjects than would be expected nationally.

The strength of these results means we have welcomed record numbers of students into Post 16 courses this year. The vast majority of our Year 11 students have progressed onto Level 3 courses for this academic year. We are very proud to offer a diverse range of Level 3 courses and be fully inclusive of students of all abilities.



*“Students achieve exceptionally well and above national averages by the end of Key Stage 4.*

*The progress that students make in English and Mathematics is much better than the progress of students in most schools.”*

**Ofsted**

At A Level, across all subjects, 35% of our students achieved the grade of A\* or A in the Academic Route and 70% Distinction or Distinction\* grades in the Professional Route. The average grade achieved by students studying professional pathway subjects was a Distinction which is an outstanding achievement. An impressive 62% of grades secured by President Kennedy students studying academic A levels at A\* to B.

Our A level results are especially pleasing as President Kennedy School is highly inclusive and welcomes a very high proportion of year 11 students to study in Post 16. Given the strength of these results, all our students who applied to join Higher Education courses succeeded in securing an offer, with 97% of them securing their first choice place.



Students who have not chosen to go on to Higher Education have gained places on high quality apprenticeships or positions in employment.

More than 1 in 5 students secured places at top ranking 'Russell Group' universities and 77% of students secured places at 'Top 50' Universities. This year saw our greatest number of students gaining places on medicine and dentistry courses at highly prestigious universities such as Birmingham University and Clare College Cambridge University.

# Post 16 Destinations 2021

A very high percentage of our students choose to stay with us and study in Post 16. In 2021 every student who applied to higher education gained a place and the majority of our students secured their first choice place at university. More than 1 in 5 students secured places at top ranking 'Russell Group' universities and 77% of students secured places at 'Top 50' Universities.

## 2021: Post 16 University Destinations

Aston University	Lincoln University
University of Birmingham	Liverpool University
Birmingham City University	Liverpool Hope University
University of Brighton	Loughborough University
Bournemouth University	London School of Economics
Cambridge University	Manchester Metropolitan University
Coventry University	Northampton University
Derby University	Nottingham University
Durham University	Nottingham Trent University
Hertfordshire University	UCL
Imperial College London	University of Plymouth
Keele University	University of Sheffield
Leicester University	University of Warwick
Leicester DMU	

## Professional Guidance



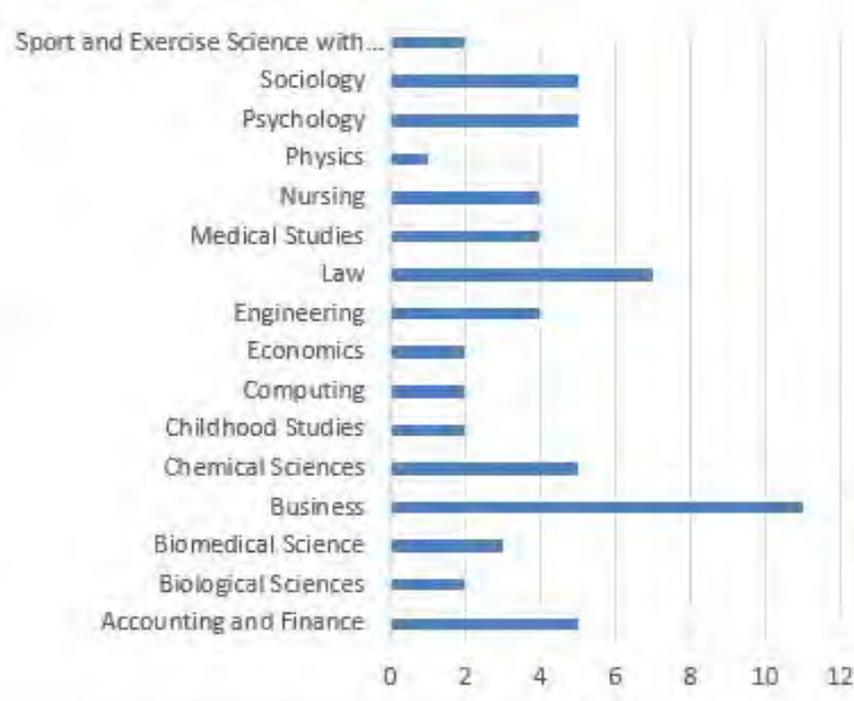
Our students benefit greatly from the advice and guidance of our careers and Post 16 team.

Over the years President Kennedy School has developed strong working relationships with top universities including: Cambridge University, Warwick University and Birmingham University.

In addition to working with apprenticeship providers to ensure we are able to offer our students a degree of edge over their competitors. This means that our students are able to participate in university access programmes which lead to preferential conditional offers.

Targeted careers events and guidance is offered to all students in every year group.

## University Places Secured By President Kennedy School Leavers In 2021 By Degree Subject



In 2021, those students who chose not to go on to Higher Education secured places on highly sought after apprenticeships or positions in full time employment.



## Pride:

You look after the physical and emotional wellbeing of yourself and others, including the school, family and friends. You have a moral purpose and show self-control and discipline in striving to reach it.



## Respect:

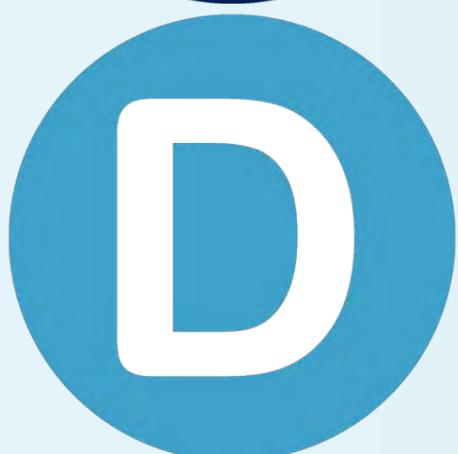
You display excellent social intelligence, demonstrating self-control and discipline in how you conduct yourself with other people and the environment.

You consistently use appropriate manners and show gratitude to others. You put the needs of others before your own.



## Involvement:

You show zest and curiosity for rich and relevant experiences. You are thirsty for knowledge and new skills, and want to make a valuable contribution to the community.



## Determination:

You show grit and discipline in your drive to reach your goals. You never quit and are prepared to be resilient, independent and positive in finding ways to overcome barriers to success.



## Excellence:

You aspire and strive to do your best at all times, using relevant strategies and skills to do so.

You consistently have a positive impact on other people.

You have a plan for how you will achieve amazing success.

### Character was defined by Aristotle as:

“Thinking, acting and feeling in ways that are beneficial to yourself and others.

Doing the right thing, at the right time, in the right way.”





# PRIDE

All of these poems and more appear in the book 'We Are Writers' published by Scholastic for the school. The book is available for purchase and can be found in local libraries.

## **P**ride

Pride in your education.  
Respect your reputation.  
Individuality takes one step to your adulthood.  
Determination to achieve in life.  
Endeavour towards your prospects.

*Esha Brar*

## **A**nd Maybe

And maybe it is true.  
And maybe we do not know what we have  
until we have lost it.  
And maybe it is also true we do not know  
what we are missing until we find it.

*Emma Ball*

## **P**ride Is Everything

Pride is determination to never give up  
on anything.  
You can have pride in your school.  
You can have pride in your uniform.  
You can have pride in your ability.  
You can have pride in your friends and  
family.  
You can have pride in yourself,  
and no one can take this away from you.  
Pride is everything.

*Baljot Kaur Bharj*

## **G**oodbye To Year Seven

Excellence in school will serve you well.  
Have passion in your work and also in school.  
Respect everyone and everything around you.  
Take pride in yourself and do well.  
Enjoy the days as they go by.  
Because these are your last goodbyes.

*Mandip Panesar*

## **T**ake Pride

Take pride in yourself all day long,  
be yourself no matter what.  
Pride comes from respect and not from  
regret.  
Think about others as they are important.  
Help out friends and all around you.  
Be determined to complete your work  
don't ever call a friend a jerk.  
Do not take things for granted.  
Take a stand and help others.

*Jessica Turfrey*

## **P**ride

Pride is the thing that makes you go further.  
Further in life and further in education.  
Pride in everyone will make the world better.  
For your respect and reputation.  
Pride is the beginning of your life.  
Do not shatter by doing your selfish behaviour.  
It's good to have pride within you.  
Find it somewhere inside you.

*Sonia Gill*

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You can have pride in your friends and family.  
You can have pride in yourself and no one  
can take this away from you.  
Pride is everything.

*Anu Ghataore*

**All poems written by  
Year 7 students**



# SPORT AT PRESIDENT KENNEDY SCHOOL



“Students are actively encouraged to try new activities and extend their horizons.” OFSTED 2013

## Sport and Physical Education Timetable- Autumn Term 2021

**Trainers must be worn at all times in the sportshall, no shoes allowed!!**

	Before School	Lunch Time	Afterschool
<b>Monday</b>		12.20 – 13.05 Year 8 Girls Football Miss Newbold Sports Hall – need trainers	Girls Netball Academy All Years, 3pm–4:30pm Miss Newbold and Miss Truman  Boys Rugby Academy Year 9, 10 and 11 Rugby 3pm – 4:30pm Mr Garlick and WASPS
<b>Tuesday</b>		12.20 - 13.05 P16 Basketball Mr Secondino Sports Hall – need trainers	
<b>Wednesday</b>		11.25 – 12.10 Year 9 and 10 Indoor Football Mr Garlick Sports Hall – need trainers	KS3 Basketball Academy 3pm – 4:30pm Mr Secondino  Boys Year 7 Rugby Academy 3pm – 4.30pm Mr Garlick  Year 9 -13 Multi Gym Miss Newbold
<b>wThursday</b>		11.25 – 12.10 Year 9 Basketball Sports Hal Mr Secondino – need trainers  Year 9 ans 10 Multi Gym Mr Sinclair – need trainers and PE top	Boys Rugby Academy Year 8 and 9, 3pm – 4:30pm Mr Garlick  Badminton All Years, 3pm – 4.30pm – 4:30pm Mr Sinclair
<b>Friday</b>		11.25 – 12.10 Year 7, 9 and 10 Table Tennis Mr Sinclair – need trainers	KS4 Bsketball Academy 3pm – 4.30pm Mr Secondino

**In addition to our standard offer there are regular fixtures, tournaments and competitions in all sports in all years.**

If you would like more information or to take part in any of our fantastic opportunities please contact Mr Garlick

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**PERFORMING  
ARTS:  
YOUR TIME  
TO SHINE!**



“Students are actively encouraged to try new activities and extend their horizons.” OFSTED 2013



## Performing Arts Opportunities 2021-2022

	School Day- DANCE STUDIO	Afterschool & Evening- DANCE STUDIO
<b>Monday</b>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Dance club – year 7	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Production- Rehearsals- Invitation only	Year 7 and 8 - Performing arts academy - (3:00-4:15) ( mixture of dance, drama and vocal)  Godiva Academy of Performing Arts-GAPA (5-8.15pm)
<b>Thursday</b>	Production- Rehearsals- Invitation only	Year 9 to post 16- Performing arts academy - (3:00-4:15) ( mixture of dance, drama and vocal)  Godiva Academy of Performing Arts -GAPA (5-8.15pm)
<b>Friday</b>	Performing Arts – council meeting- Invitation only	PK ELITE academy - Invitation only (3:00-4:15)
<b>Saturday</b>	Godiva Academy of Performing Arts – 3-9years (10-2:30pm)	

***In addition to this weekly programme there will be extensive rehearsal schedules for our fantastic school productions.***

***This year’s productions:***

- The Performing Arts Academy – SHOWCASE
- The Bridge Production- TBC
- President Kennedy school – Play
- Whole school production - TBC

***We will also be entering numerous competitions and events throughout the year in the different disciplines via our Performing Arts Programme.***

If you would like more information or to take part in any of our fantastic opportunities please contact Miss Kelly Walsh

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President  
Kennedy  
School



*Building Brighter Futures*



# Student Pride in the Community



- P** - I will show pride by wearing the correct uniform to and from school.
- R** - I will show respect to members of the community and their property at all times.
- I** - I will contribute to enhancing the reputation of President Kennedy School in the community.
- D** - I will be determined to represent President Kennedy School in an outstanding manner at all times.
- E** - I will show excellent conduct whilst travelling on public transport.

# CELEBRATING Coventry schools

PRESIDENT KENNEDY SCHOOL



Just some of the successful students at President Kennedy

# Exciting journey of world class school continues...



Deep concentration by a young musician

**P**RESIDENT Kennedy School is consistent in believing in its core values – Students First, It’s About Learning and No Barriers.

Being a World Class School affords many opportunities for President Kennedy’s students. This year, four Year 12 students, Zohaib Malik, Isha Patel, Caidie Samra and Reyna Sandhar, were formally designated as assessors for the World Class Schools accreditation process following their successful work in the assessment process of schools achieving World Class Schools status this year. To achieve this, they spent many weeks, assessing the quality of the bids from applicant schools and observing these schools in action during the assessment day activity earlier this term.

Building new skills, boosting confidence and sporting excellence are three of the prime



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objectives at the school. Across all years students have the opportunity to gain new experiences and build new skill sets by being involved in extra curricular activities, including a variety of sports and the performing arts.

### FOOTBALL SUCCESS

The school’s Year 7 football team created some President Kennedy history by becoming the first boys’ team for 25 years to reach a West Midlands Cup final.

### YEAR 7 RUGBY TEAM ARE VICTORIOUS

The Year 7 rugby team won the Coventry Schools Trophy. This is the first time ever that President Kennedy School has claimed this competition since it was first established in 1896. The students who won the competition were proudly awarded their medals by the head teacher, Mr Clayton, who spent some time speaking to the boys and congratulating them on their victory.

### NETBALL CHAMPIONS

Tremendous commitment and effort have ensured that President Kennedy Schools’ netball team have succeeded. They have

# CELEBRATING Coventry schools

PRESIDENT KENNEDY SCHOOL



President Kennedy School's talented orchestra



Engineering is high on the priority list



A dramatic scene from the Year 7 production of Beauty and the Beast



The successful Year 7, left, and year 8 netball teams

worked exceptionally hard during training and displayed significant progression in their skills and level of play. Commendable teamwork have led both Year 7 and Year 8 to become 2019 league winners!

And a Year 12 student is to play rugby for Warwickshire. Jaskuran Hayer has been selected for Warwickshire U17s this season. Jaskuran started playing rugby in Year 9 at President Kennedy School and has gone on to play for Earlsdon RFC and Coventry Schools as a tight head prop.

**BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**

The Year 7 cast of Beauty and the Beast took to the stage in March of this year. Performing in front of a full auditorium of friends, family and the wider community, a wonderfully energetic and mature performance was greatly received by the audience. Students showed commitment, determination and exceptional team work skills. This is all made possible due to the dedication of the performing arts staff and students. They are consistently raising educational attainment within The Bridge, a stand-alone college specifically for Year 7.

**MUSIC HITS A HIGH NOTE!**

A musical showcase, featuring President Kennedy School's vastly

talented bands, soloists, duets, vocalists and percussion, further highlighted the excellence of the students at President Kennedy School.

A LEAP Ensemble Workshop had students working with members of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, which led to a performance at the Warwick Arts Centre with part of a symphony orchestra.

**ENGINEERING MASTER CLASSES**

Year 9 students attended the Royal Institute of Engineering master classes at the University of Warwick. They have had the opportunity to build and test crash structures and programme their own autonomous cars. With a competitive side to each session, students have been very successful in getting really involved.

**EXAM SEASON**

Students at President Kennedy School are continuing to excel during the exam season. They feel extremely well-supported by dedicated staff who offer effective strategies to help with their studies.

President Kennedy School has a well-established track record of students achieving good GCSE and A-level results with students often getting into their first choice of university.



The Year 7 footballers have shone

# School Uniform

## Uniform Regulations Year 7 to Year 11

### Main Uniform, Essential Items and Equipment

Navy blazer with school logo	White shirt or blouse
<b>Girls</b> - Navy trousers (cotton/polyester/viscose straight cut or boot cut, not skin tight or skinny) or Navy <u>knee-length</u> , straight skirt to be worn	<b>Boys</b> - Mid Grey trousers (cotton/polyester/viscose straight cut, not skin tight or skinny)
Navy, Grey or Black socks/tights or <b>Girls</b> - Plain Navy knee length socks or tights	Plain Black shoes (not boots)
School tie	Coats must be plain Black, Grey or Navy
School bags of a suitable size (must be able to carry exercise books and equipment)	School Planner* Calculator, compass, crayons, pocket English Dictionary, erasers, pencils, pens, protractor, ruler, reading book <i>(*school planners are provided to students at the start of the school year)</i>



### Optional Items

Navy cotton cardigan ( <b>girls</b> ) with school logo	Navy cotton jumper ( <b>boys and girls</b> ) with school logo
Hijab - Plain Navy or Black	Turban - Plain Navy or Black
Technology - full apron, Art - protective clothing (e.g. an old shirt)	

**WE EXPECT OUR STUDENTS TO WEAR THEIR UNIFORM WITH PRIDE**

## PE/Games Kit

### Essential Items

Navy and Gold Rugby top with logo <b>(boys)</b>
Navy and Gold outdoor top with logo <b>(girls)</b>
Navy Shorts
Navy Polo shirt with logo
Navy sports socks (must be worn for PE)
Training shoes (not pumps)
Football/Rugby boots <b>(boys all years; girls for years 7, 8 &amp; 9)</b>
Hair tie or bobble



### Optional Items

Navy tracksuit bottoms with logo
Navy leggings with logo <b>(girls)</b>
Navy skort with logo <b>(girls)</b>
Gum shield for rugby
Shin pads for football

**STRICTLY NO JEWELLERY TO BE WORN FOR PE/GAMES**

## WE DO NOT ALLOW

- Leather or denim jackets, jeans, leggings or jeggings, skin tight, skinny or cropped trousers
- Trainers or pumps, boots, canvas shoes, high heeled shoes, open toe shoes
- More than one item of jewellery, including multiple piercings (earrings must be small studs only, barbells earrings and retainers are not permitted)
- Facial piercings, tongue piercings
- Brightly coloured scarves, headbands, socks or belts
- T-shirts visible under shirts
- Extreme hair styles or brightly coloured hair
- Excessive or brightly coloured make up, including coloured nail varnish, acrylics or artificial nails, false eyelashes or eyelash extensions
- Skirts that are above the knee
- Hoodies, sporting or tracksuit tops and baseball caps

All uniform items are available from:



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# A WORLD CLASS SCHOOL



In 2017, President Kennedy School was awarded 'World Class' status and re-accredited in 2019.

Entirely student led, the school was required to achieve a number of standards designed to distinguish it from other schools that have already achieved an Ofsted 'Outstanding' judgement.

The World Class Schools Mark recognises that it is the calibre of the student which proves the calibre of the school. If the school is truly World Class then the students will be able to own and demonstrate World Class qualities.

Our students had to prove that students who attend President Kennedy School are:

- Highly literate scientifically, mathematically, technologically and culturally
- Consistently out-performing students from similar contexts, and are committed to continually improving their performance
- Excellent learners, dedicated to life-long learning
- Compelling candidates in their field for higher education and/or employment, being globally aware, confident and prepared for life in an international environment.

Our World Class student ambassadors were required to present President Kennedy School's case for the World Class Schools mark by undertaking extensive research and presenting their evidence to the assessors using a range of media.



## The Benefits of Being a World Class School

- Unrivalled enrichment, employment and further education opportunities for students
- participation in international partnerships and study abroad
- access to unique, exciting and highly attractive work experience opportunities that develop employability skills, and social and moral competencies
- access to a certification process and international opportunities that provide a competitive edge for places at the best domestic and international universities.
- on-going revenue generating opportunities internationally through, for example, provision of curriculum and staff development, start up, back office, and school improvement expertise.
- extensive incentives for effective teacher recruitment and retention, such as opportunities for staff to work and develop their practice internationally
- opportunities to work with, and learn from, outstanding school practitioners from other potential World Class schools.
- access to a unique assessment process that assesses the student not the school providing detailed profiles of students' individual performance at an assessment centre event
- a profile of students' typical performance against peers from other potential World Class schools.
- parental confidence that their children can operate effectively as global citizens, and develop invaluable skills for success in life beyond school
- prestige beyond an 'outstanding' Ofsted grade
- a top place in international school rankings
- the chance to participate in a high profile group of schools whose power to influence national and international education policy is becoming significant.



President Kennedy  
School's World Class  
Student Ambassadors



Achievement of Pupils	- Outstanding
Quality of Teaching	- Outstanding
Behaviour & Safety of Pupils	- Outstanding
Leadership & Management	- Outstanding
OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS	- Outstanding

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We work together in a productive and challenging manner to provide a vibrant and engaging learning environment that ensures every student achieves his or her potential.

This school is about ensuring our students feel supported and happy.

If students are happy they will flourish and achieve.

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