



# Queen Elizabeth High School

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9 May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to year 9 at Queen Elizabeth High School! We are looking forward to welcoming your child to high school in the autumn. The online admission form can be found [here](#) please complete by **Friday 19 May 2023**.

Queen Elizabeth High School is an excellent school, where your child will have the opportunity to thrive and flourish in an ambitious environment where we have high expectations of everyone. The school ethos of respect, engage and aspire is lived and breathed by the whole community; the curriculum is extensive and challenging and there is a wide range of extra-curricular activities on offer, from sport to music and debating.

We feel it is very important that we get the transition to high school right. To help facilitate the move from middle to high school, your child will have the chance to meet their new head and deputy head of year prior to the end of the school year. They will also visit the high school on Tuesday 4 July for Transfer Day. If your child has any SEN or pastoral needs, this information will be shared between schools and enhanced transitions will be put in place. We also want to give you the opportunity to visit the high school and meet key staff on **Wednesday 5 July** at 6pm, further information to follow.

In year 9 your child will continue to follow the national curriculum and all students will follow the same curriculum. This approach will guarantee all students have a breadth of experiences and are well placed to make informed decisions about their curriculum choices for Key Stage 4.

Nearly all students will continue with the study of a modern foreign language into Key Stage 4. The only students who will not study a modern language are those who require additional support with English and mathematics. To ensure the best possible outcomes at GCSE, we have allocated additional time to languages in the year 9 timetable. It is likely that your child has studied French or Spanish – or both – in middle school. To prepare students for GCSE, they need to specialise in one of the two languages, so will need to choose between French and Spanish; the QR code below will take you to the form to make this choice. Please select the language your child will study by **Monday 5 June 2023**.

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Yr 9 September 2023 Intake



Our dedicated [admissions page](#) is available on our school website and includes this year's Admissions Information brochure. This will also be the main source of up-to-date information including the latest guidance on ordering school uniform from our supplier.

For further support or queries please email [admin@qehs.net](mailto:admin@qehs.net).

I am looking forward to welcoming you and our new cohort of year 9 students to the high school.

Yours faithfully

Neil Seaton  
Head of School

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