

## Welcome



Dear parents and carers,

King Ecgbert School is a happy, purposeful and highly successful school which provides a first class education for over 1400 students aged from 11 to 18. All youngsters are valued as individuals and we are passionately committed to their achievement, personal development and excellence in everything we do. They are encouraged to thrive in all areas of learning, in the classroom and beyond.

The school is recognised by Ofsted as 'Outstanding' (May 2013) and was awarded Teaching School status in April 2014 to enable us to share its expertise more widely. It is proud to be at the heart of the growing and successful Mercia Learning Trust and works closely with the other schools in the Trust.

Our school not only achieves excellent examination results at both 16 and 18 but also has a great reputation for sport, drama, music and wide range of extra-curricular clubs and trips. We educate the whole child. I hope this prospectus will give you an insight into all that makes King Ecgbert an excellent school and the best place for your son or daughter to pursue his/her secondary education. We are particularly proud of the care and guidance we provide for all our pupils, including the most academically successful who win places at Oxford and Cambridge and those who have significant additional needs, for example those in our Integrated Resource for children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder.

Our expectations for every one of our students are high; excellence, respect, aspiration and enjoyment are at the heart of all we do. By choosing King Ecgbert School for your child, you are committing yourself to working with us for child's future in our caring, aspirational school.

Governors and staff look forward to meeting and working with you throughout your child's time at King Ecgbert School.

Headteacher



In 2017 we were the first schoo the region to be awarded to World Class Schools Quality Me – an award only 'Outstandi schools can apply for, which p us in an elite group of 60 scho nationally. In 2019, we were vol World Class School of the Year



We have also been awarded TASS accreditation (a funding partnership through Sport England) – this recognises the way we support young elite sports people through first class education in parallel with their pursuit of elite sport.



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We are a demonstrator school fo the EdTech programme, helping schools and colleges with support for remote and onling



Our continued excellence in mathematics has enabled us to ad and co-ordinate support for ther schools through the AMSP.



l could not believe how quickly both of my children settled in. They loved King Ecgbert from day one.

Parent

Academic

### Academic excellence for all

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Together, we strive for personal and academic excellence:
King Ecgbert School wants the best outcomes for every
member of our school community, whatever their
background or role in our school.

School Values & Ethos

### Showing respect at all times

Our inclusive and diverse school community is one in which:

- every individual is welcomed, understood and valued;
- we respect each other and embrace our diversity;
- we actively promote fairness and social justice;
  staff and students care about their community and together we all care about the wider world and our place in it.

## Having high aspirations and personal goals that go beyond our time in school

Together, we are committed to educating, supporting and encouraging every individual to develop the skills and character that will help them become the best they can be and make a real difference in the world. We expect every member of our own school community to become an active, successful participant in the wider communities we are part of: Sheffield, the United Kingdom, and the global community beyond.

These values are our ERA



Ensuring your child settles in at King Ecgbert School is a priority for all of us. Our highly regarded induction programme ensures a smooth transition to King Ecgbert whether students come from one of our main feeder schools or from schools further afield. Our pastoral team visit all children in their primary schools and talk with their Year 6 teachers. All year 6 children will visit King Ecgbert for a full day in July and there may be extra visits for some children depending on their needs.

All new students will join a new form group and also be part of one of our five houses – Atlas, Crucible, Henderson, Kelham and Steel. These form groups comprise only students from Year 7 and they share the beginning of each day together completing activities, developing strong relationships and building a great foundation for the day's learning in lessons. These form groups and houses are also the basis for enrichment activities and competitive opportunities throughout the year, such as inter-house sport.

Each year group has a dedicated Year Manager who co-ordinates and oversees the pastoral care for the students in that year, as well as monitoring their progress in lessons. In addition, a range of other learning professionals provide a range of support services to enable students to stay safe and happy at King Ecgbert and, ultimately, to reach their potential.

## Progress and Reporting

We monitor student progress very carefully at King Ecgbert School. Students on their work through activities in lesson times and through of the year and teachers use this data to plan their teaching and to help students improve the

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g the year, we will report key information to about your child, such as their attitude to ATL) in each subject. There is an ach year for every year group whe meetings to discuss issues and actions as the need arise

## Standards and Expectations

We expect all students to behave well ork hard and show respect for everyone at all times. We expect al students to participate fully in every lesson and activity with which they are involved. We have a simple code of conduct (our Consistent Behaviour Model – CBM) that is displayed throughout the school, with easily understood consequences should it be broken. We expect th

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## Years 7, 8 and 9

Students follow a broad and balanced curriculum which lays firm foundations for later study to examination level. In Year 7, students are placed in mixed ability groupings for all subjects (English, geography, science, PE, history, computing, DT, art, drama and music) except mathematics which is in sets based on mathematical attainment. Languages that are taught at King Ecgbert School may include French, German or Spanish and, where timetabling allows, these groups may be setted. Further setting is introduced in Year 8 in some subjects, including science. PHSCE and RE are taught within our L@kes lessons, a specially designed course taught across all years in school.

## Years 10 and 11

During Year 9, students receive guidance and support to help them make informed choices about the options available for GCSE study. A full range of subjects is available. Many students study separate sciences. There is the option to study two languages, computer science, the humanities (history or geography) and a wide range of other subjects. Please check our website for the most up-to-date information about courses at Key Stage 4.

## Sixth Form

The majority of our Year 11 students choose to stay on at King Ecgbert School and attend our highly successful post-16 provision. We also welcome many post-16 students from other schools in the region. The Sixth Form has dedicated study facilities and a common room within the school itself.

At our Sixth Form, students can study a full and varied A Level programme and we also offer Level 3 BTEC programmes. Our Sixth Form is a very vibrant part of our school and these students add a valuable extra dimension to many school activities. Most students progress to higher education, many to highly selective universities. Our Sixth Form is rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted and more details are available from our website, which includes links to our Sixth Form prospectus.

## Our Ultimate Aim

Our ultimate aim is that our students will love their time at King Ecgbert School. They will leave here as a happy, confident, tolerant young adults; they will be equipped with a portfolio of exam success, skills and achievements that will allow them to fulfil their dreams and ambitions; and they will all go on to make the world a better place.

## Partnership with parents/carers

We value the support of families with all aspects of school life. We ask that you work with us in your child's best interest to secure the best possible outcomes for their future.

## The wealth of extra activities that take place beyond

Extra-Curricular

Activities

lesson times is a huge strength of King Ecgbert School. These include a full range of sports, competitive teams, drama, music, outdoor activities and the Duke of Edinburgh award. Many subjects arrange field trips and residential visits, as well as trips to museums and theatres. Skiing, music tours, European language and cultural trips and a visit to the volcanic landscapes of Iceland have all been undertaken recently. In addition King Ecgbert students are actively involved in enrichment activities and charity events within their houses that broaden their experiences and provide valuable opportunities for personal development.

You get so many different

opportunities at KES to try a wide range of clubs and activities

Y7 Student



King Ecgbert School is part of Mercia Learning Trust, a successful and collaborative multi-academy trust in Sheffield

The trust's mission is to provide an outstanding education for students from 0-19, driven by a passion that all students should see their time at school as happy and fulfilling, with their potential developed to the utmost. The approach is founded on partnership working, binding together the schools, parents and their communities.



