



# ST CATHERINE'S

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## COLLEGE





# CHILDREN ARE AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING WE DO AS A SCHOOL



## **A warm welcome from our Year 11 Prefects:**

The School provides opportunities for everyone, whatever their background or faith.

Some of our friends thought they couldn't get in to St Catherine's College because they don't go to church, but you can.

Come and see our school in action - we'd be delighted to meet you.

# WELCOME

## An introduction from our Headteacher

We are St Catherine's College. We are a Church of England Academy that has children at the heart of everything we do. Our smart, well behaved pupils are happy and proud of their school.

We are a high achieving school with children who are well prepared for their next steps in life. We are fixed upon progress for all. Pupils benefit from smaller classes in English and Maths, as well as additional support when they need an extra boost to accelerate their progress. We are blessed with excellent teachers who are happy and stay here. The teachers, the tutors and our expansive pastoral

team work with each child to help find his/her 'missing piece' so that they can reach their God-given potential.

We are different, and what sets us apart is that we are the only Church of England Secondary School/Academy in East Sussex. Parents send their children here because we insist upon high standards and firm boundaries, all underpinned by our Christian foundation.

We are a college that teaches and explores the value of resilience. This resilience is in part why our students are more likely to stay on and succeed in further education than their peers nationally.

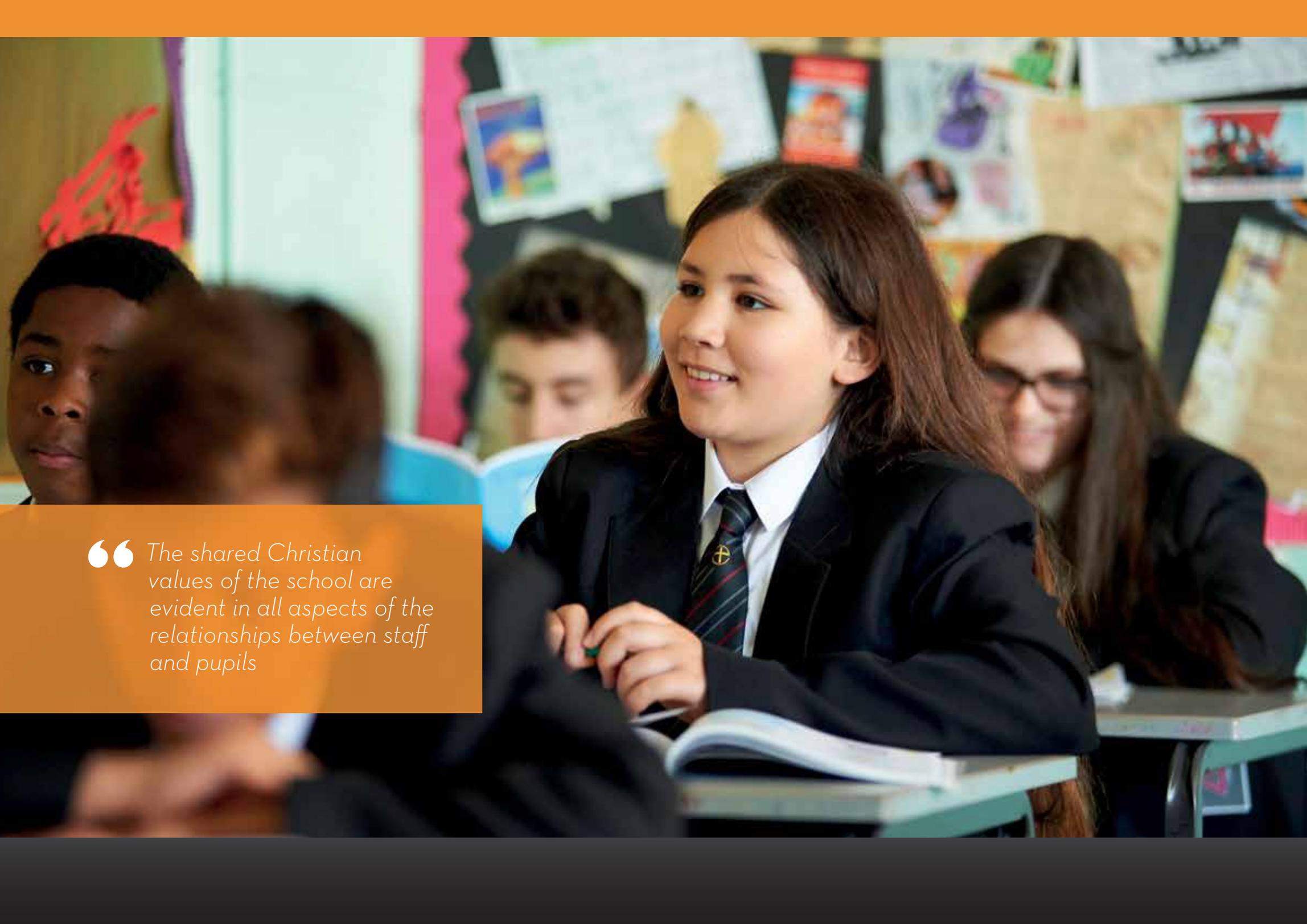
We are creative and maintain a broad and varied curriculum with Art, Dance, Drama, Music, Food Technology and Motor Vehicle all featuring in our curriculum as we recognise the value of developing the whole child experience. Beyond a rich mix of Sport, Drama, Dance and Music, we also offer chess, gaming, our Mandarin Academy, host the Pauline Quirk Academy and offer so much more...

We are St Catherine's College. We encourage every child to rise to challenges, to enjoy learning and to feel a sense of belonging.



“ Be who God meant you  
to be and you will set  
the World on Fire

St Catherine of Siena



“ The shared Christian values of the school are evident in all aspects of the relationships between staff and pupils



# WE ARE CARING AT ST CATHERINE'S

At St Catherine's College we have happy, safe, confident and resilient learners. We place God's children at the heart of everything we do and that is why we put great emphasis on our personalised pastoral care. We always take the time to listen to our students, to find out what's going well and how we can improve things further.

We have the highest expectations of behaviour and conduct, both in and out of lessons, and we reward students when they meet and exceed these. As a church school we have very clear principles of tolerance and respect, regardless of background or beliefs.

**Our last Ofsted report was very strong in this area:**

*"There is a positive atmosphere around the school. Students conduct themselves well and are respectful and courteous towards each other and staff."*

*"The children are proud of their school"*

*"The school's work to keep the students safe and secure is good and instances of bullying are rare."*



“ All pupils in the school have equal, God-given value and the school is a happy, purposeful and thriving Christian community.

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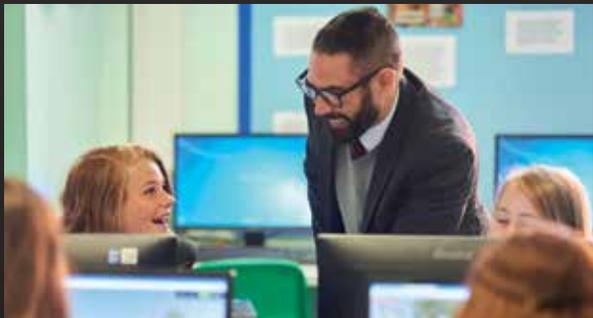


# HIGH QUALITY TEACHING

*"Teachers at our school are amazing - they make learning fun. They are always happy to go back over things when, sometimes, we don't understand. I really enjoy school. It is great that children behave, too, as this really helps!"*

Pupil Leader

External inspections have described this team of staff as "high quality teachers [who] are in demand to advise and train other teachers within the Local Authority and beyond" and that "teachers have high expectations and help students to achieve well."



We at St Catherine's College make the education of our pupils our first concern. Our dedicated staff have strong subject knowledge and work with parents/carers in the best interests of our pupils.



# AT OUR SCHOOL EVERY CHILD CAN ACHIEVE

## A warm welcome from our Leadership and Management Pupil Leaders:

Everyone knows that our school has great results. However, achievement at St Catherine's is so much more than just exams. Drama showcases, musical concerts, sports training and fixtures, being chess champions and enjoying those first conversations in Mandarin are just some of the things that make our school special.

We are proud of our track record of high pupil achievement which puts us in the top 10% of schools nationally. We work tirelessly to provide the very best package for all our students; challenging our most able; and supporting those with Special Educational Needs to the point where they outperform their peers in other schools nationally by over 9 grades across their subjects. We are proud of this and will keep every child's progress at the top of our agenda as we live out our mission.



“ Members of the School community comment on their feeling that the school is a family, and they relate this directly to its Christian ethos



# OUR SHARED MISSION

Children are at the heart of everything we do here at St Catherine's College. As a Church of England Academy, our mission is more than this: it is about a journey together in which children, working with staff and parents, and with the support of governors, work in harmony to listen, learn and achieve their God-given potential. Keeping children at the heart of all we do, the culmination of a St Catherine's College education is to enjoy achievement and success.

There are no 'ceilings' for our children; we are passionate about providing personalised support for every individual. We love to celebrate the pupils' many successes and hope you will want your children to experience a St Catherine's College education where we aim for everyone to thrive. We are proud of being a church school, and the many benefits this brings are best seen in action. We'd be delighted to meet you.

“Pupils, parents, staff and governors care greatly for each other. They comment on their feeling that the school is a family, and they relate this directly to its Christian ethos.”

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“ *The School is amazing! I wouldn't send my child anywhere else*

Parent





“ During my daughter’s time with you, she has flourished into the unique person she is”

Parent