



Hayesfield Girls' School

Achieving Ambitions



“This is an outstanding school in which pupils’ achievement is excellent.”

- Ofsted

Foreword from the Headteacher

I am very proud to be Headteacher at Hayesfield and believe our pupils deserve the very best. The principles we adhere to are: a passion for learning, a commitment to creativity and innovation and a dedication to supporting young people to achieve their ambitions and explore all that life has to offer.

Hayesfield Girls' School is recognised by Ofsted as an outstanding school. Examination results continue to be excellent at Key Stages 3 and 4 and in the Sixth Form. This success is attributed to teaching and learning. Our pupils, therefore, benefit from being educated by a highly talented, reflective, dedicated and caring team of professionals.

We value a true sense of belonging and our pupils participate in a variety of activities and events. Such activities are geared towards building on current talents whilst encouraging an exploration of new interests and intellectual pursuits. The school provides a warm, friendly and supportive environment where girls learn together in an atmosphere of co-operation and trust.

There is a strong belief in traditional values at Hayesfield; we set high standards in our work, conduct and appearance. We place emphasis on developing the skills and values that will enable our pupils to become thinking, informed and



confident adults who will be able to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

Without doubt, being a pupil at Hayesfield Girls' School is demanding and challenging. Ultimately though, pupils find it a truly enjoyable, rewarding and stimulating experience. Hayesfield is a thriving, vibrant community in which girls feel safe, valued and happy.

Ms Erica Draisey
Headteacher



“Dynamic and forward-looking leadership, especially by the headteacher, has created an environment in which pupils have the opportunity to thrive in their education.”

- Ofsted



“Pupils have high aspirations, and are clear about how these might be achieved because of the excellent guidance they receive. Pupils make excellent progress.”

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Transforming Learning

The innovative approach to curriculum design allows the school to offer a range of stimulating learning opportunities which support the development of good habits of learning - independence of thought, intellectual curiosity, creativity and resilience. A strong emphasis is also placed on developing pupils' critical capacity to evaluate their own progress and the skills to support future learning.

Making lessons relevant and challenging is essential to maintain motivation and interest. Our teachers engage in research into teaching and apply their own learning to the planning of lessons. An emphasis on reflection and creativity led Ofsted to describe lessons as 'interesting and relevant' and said that 'teaching is excellent because it is regularly monitored and ways of improving it discussed.' Ofsted also recognised the importance of the subject leaders and described them as 'dynamic, enthusiastic and capable.'

Our curriculum is constantly reviewed so that we can take advantage of new courses and qualifications. This has led to the introduction of the International Baccalaureate Diploma in the Sixth Form as well as vocational qualifications to complement traditional courses at Key Stage 4.





“The School’s excellence is its ability to nurture pupils and give them confidence in themselves.”

- Parent

Personal Development

There is more to education than examination results. We place a strong emphasis on developing the whole person. The School is inclusive, caring and supportive. Through lessons, tutorials, the personal development programme and everyday encounters, our girls are given the opportunity to grow within an atmosphere in which trust, tolerance, consideration for others and compassion are highly valued. Hayesfield girls are encouraged to demonstrate integrity, honesty and moral fortitude. It is within this setting that girls develop their own moral compass.

We encourage pupils to voice their opinions. The School Council enables girls to become fully involved in the running of the school and its decision making processes. It was the School Council who initiated and led the changes to the uniform, school motto and emblem. This tested their powers of persuasion, creativity and introduced them to the concept of democracy!

We take a holistic view of girls' health and well-being and as such place an emphasis on promoting healthy lifestyles. We are aware that being healthy and happy are precursors to leading a fulfilling and successful life.

The girls are excellent ambassadors for the School and we constantly receive accolades for them. A recent visitor to the school wrote: 'To say I was impressed by the calibre of the pupils is putting it mildly. Each girl displayed personality, enthusiasm, humour and charm.'





“My daughter has participated in a very enriching range of ‘extra’ and curricular activities; the quality of which are excellent. She is happy and well motivated in all areas of school life. Harriet is now clearly involved in the future of a school she cares about.”

- Parent

Wider Opportunities

We are justly proud of the extensive range of extension and enrichment opportunities available at Hayesfield. This means that all pupils have the opportunity to lead or become members of clubs, societies or interest groups ranging from those focused on creative and performing arts or sports to specific areas of interest such as the active environment group, debating society, creative writing, science and maths clubs. We also offer a successful range of outward bound opportunities, regular competitions, Duke of Edinburgh Award and foreign visits. We always encourage the girls to try new activities and if there is something they wish to do, and it is not on offer, then they are invited to take the lead and set up a new club!

Year Groups regularly organise fund raising events for local and national charities to complement their work with local community groups.

We train girls to take pastoral responsibility and to support younger pupils such as the Year 8 Buddy and Prefect systems with pupils working alongside staff in the school.

All these opportunities help our pupils to develop their passions, gain new valuable life experience and further their understanding of themselves and the world. It also supports the development of team work and self confidence.





“The school is a leader in the development of collaboration between educational establishments to widen curriculum opportunities for pupils and students aged 14 to 19, and has played a major part in the establishment of an educational trust aimed at further widening opportunities and ensuring the long-term sustainability of these developments.”

- Ofsted

Partnership

A successful education depends on an active partnership with parents and we encourage parents to take a leading role within the school community. This takes the form of support for their daughters in their learning and helping to shape policy and practice and the future direction of the school. Importantly, we are able to make use of parents' talents and expertise to enrich the pupils' experience in school.

We are always looking for ways to enrich the educational experience of our pupils through collaboration and partnership. This is why we initiated the formation of the Bath Education Trust with our established partners: the University of Bath, Beechen Cliff School, City of Bath College and Rotork. Through the Trust and other collaborative arrangements we are able to draw on expertise and resources of neighbouring schools and colleges, local businesses, universities and professional and charitable organisations. For pupils at Hayesfield this means access to new practical and academic learning experiences and qualifications, the opportunity to undertake research projects, take part in and lead workshops and seminars and, importantly, work with adults and young people from different backgrounds, ages and cultures.

Partnership arrangements also mean that our staff lead local and national projects and the School is able to support community learning.

Bath Education Trust





“Teachers are approachable and show a passion for teaching.”

“Tutors give plenty of support.”

“The Sixth Form is a friendly and fun place to be.”

- Sixth Form Pupils



Hayesfield
Sixth Form

Sixth Form and Beyond

We believe that one of the greatest strengths of Hayesfield School is its mixed Sixth Form.

We welcome a large number of young people from other schools both local and further afield who are attracted by the extensive range of courses available. Those who join us add a freshness and variety to the Sixth Form, and we welcome the breadth of experience and interests that each young person brings.

Our ability to offer pupils access to over forty A Level subjects, the International Baccalaureate and new Applied Learning Diplomas, result in pupils making appropriate choices linked to their interests, talents and future ambitions. This, undoubtedly, contributes to their success.

Our Sixth Form pupils represent an important role model for younger pupils within the School, and there is an expectation that they will take on leadership roles within the School and the wider community.

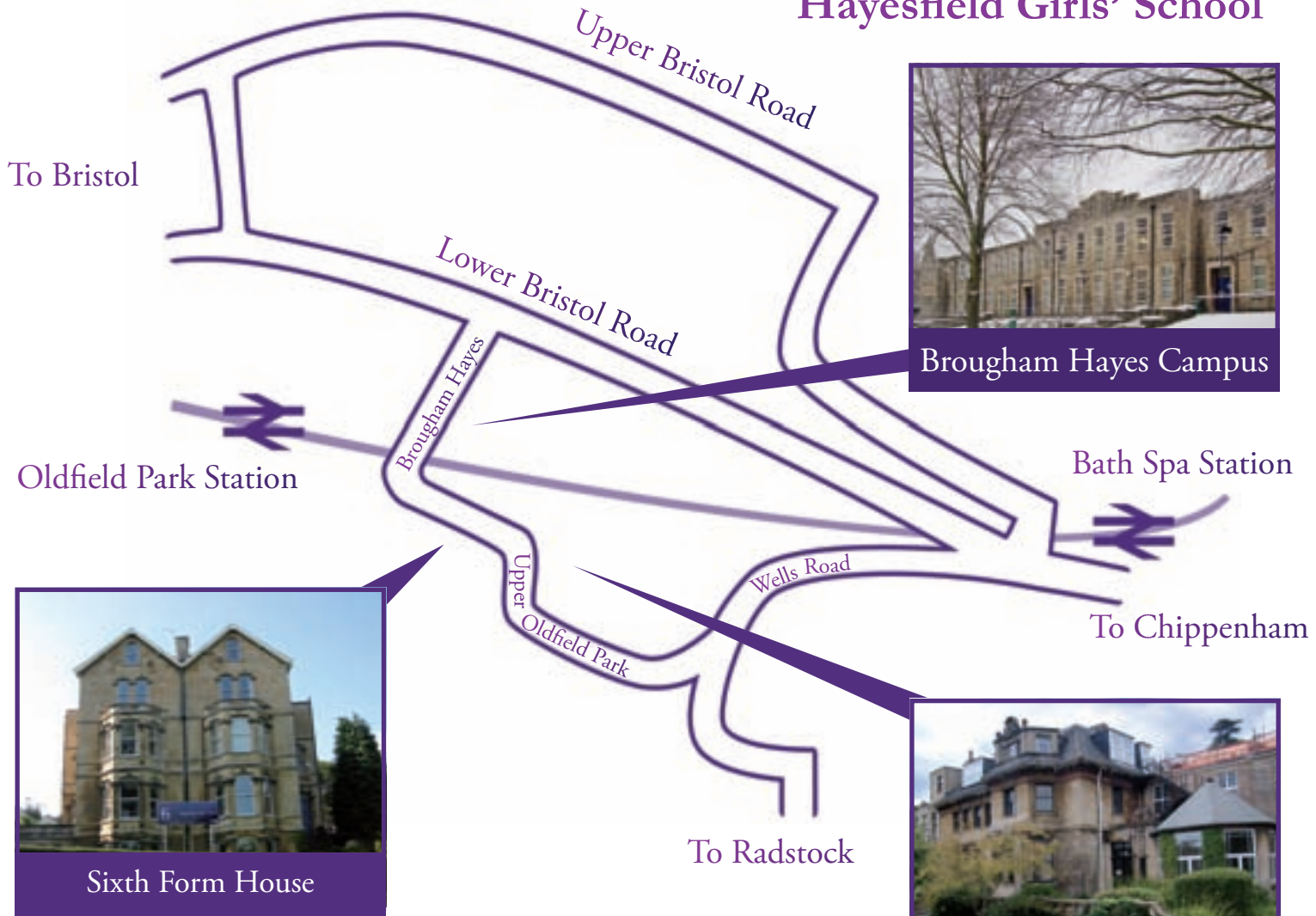
Sixth Formers are both supported and challenged to stretch their intellects and talents. We encourage our pupils to find their own voices, to take responsibility for their own learning, to develop their leadership skills and to plan positively for their futures. They will leave ready to face the challenges of University life and a demanding career.



“Standards achieved and provision generally are outstanding in the Sixth Form, as they are in the rest of the schools.”

- Ofsted

Hayesfield Girls' School



Brougham Hayes Campus



Sixth Form House



Upper Oldfield Park Campus



How to find out more

For more detailed information about Hayesfield School please explore our website. We always welcome visitors to the School. This can be arranged by contacting the Headteacher's PA.

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