

PSpecial place to Learn

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# Priory Woods School & Arts College

By working together, our pupils will enjoy a creative, innovative, exciting and challenging curriculum within a safe environment which will enrich and enhance every child's learning.

### Golden Rules

Listen carefully
Be kind and gentle
Look after things
Be honest
Work hard

'Pupils all show caring and friendly attitudes to each other, staff and visitors.'

#### Lower School (Foundation Stage, KS1, KS2)

Children in Lower School enjoy learning in lots of exciting ways. Following a common theme, learning is structured around the Early Years Foundation Stage model and is adapted to meet pupils' needs. Every minute of the day is an opportunity to learn, with a focus on play, outdoor learning, physical activities and visits into the community. Pupils also benefit from our school focus on creative and performing arts, enjoying dance and drama, art and music. Most importantly, our children have fun!

'My child comes home every day learning something new.' Parent

## Upper School (KS3 & KS4)

At Priory Woods, we embrace every opportunity to learn and in Upper School, students build on their achievements from Lower School. Pupils in Upper School are based in forms and then go on to a variety of learning groups which are arranged to meet their needs. Independence is encouraged and pupils move to different learning environments for their lessons. They begin to work towards accredited learning, including AQA Unit Awards and a range of arts awards. They benefit from opportunities afforded by creative and performing arts and continue to have fun!

'Pupils achievement is outstanding.'

Ofsted

'You exceed our expectations regarding our child's educational needs.'

Parent

#### Post 16

In Post 16 students continue to build on all of their previous learning with the emphasis changing to supporting the transition to adult life. Learning is focused on securing functional skills and includes the opportunity to gain accreditation in a range of subjects, including Entry Level qualifications in City and Guilds Food Studies gained through working in our very own Cafe 16. They also learn lots of the skills necessary for independent living in our aptly named Independent Living Centre. Alongside this, our young people can opt from a range of options in creative and performing arts and they continue to have fun!



## Extended Learning

At Priory Woods, children and young people enjoy and benefit from a range of activities, including a range of after school clubs, visits around our local community and area and residential breaks both in this country and abroad.

The school's work to keep pupils safe and secure is outstanding. Otsted

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