

2019/20



Eckington School

Prospectus

Part of
LEAP
Multi Academy Trust

Principal's Welcome

Welcome to Eckington School, LEAP Multi Academy Trust. I hope that you find all the information you require in our prospectus. If not, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I really enjoy working at Eckington School and am extremely proud to be the Principal. Our staff are a very committed and hardworking team who have the very best interests of the children at the heart of the excellent teaching and learning that takes place here.

We work closely with parents to ensure your child's time here with us is happy and exciting and that their learning is maximised. We encourage our students to develop respect, responsibility and to make the right choices in their school life – both now and in the future. We seek the involvement and interest of parents at all times and we would like you and your children to feel

very welcome, right from the beginning. Your child will have many important steps to take during their time at Eckington School and we will endeavour to work closely with you to ensure that each of their steps is a positive experience. We will help them on the road through secondary school and into adult life. I hope our prospectus conveys a flavour of what it is like to attend Eckington School. Our expectations are high and our vision for the school is for all learners to achieve excellence.

We hope that all students who join us in September will strive to achieve excellence and realise our high expectations.

I encourage you to contact us if you require any further information and please come and visit so that you are able to gain the very best insight into Eckington School.



Yours Faithfully,

A Burgess
Principal

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Why choose Eckington School?



Strong Relationships

Students feel supported and cared for by staff. Our pastoral system was highly praised by Ofsted, stating that 'students feel safe, supported and cared for. Reported instances of bullying are rare.'

The school offers students excellent opportunities to make progress and achieve. The school actively seeks to promote personal development and welfare.



Strong Values and Ethos

We have high standards of behaviour and aim to embed a sense of ambition and aspiration. 'Achieving Excellence' is at the heart of everything we do.



Strong Leadership

The school leaders are ambitious and uncompromising in the pursuit of excellence across all aspects of school life.



Post 16 Opportunities

Eckington School has a successful Sixth Form. We prepare students for a successful future whether this is at university, in further training or employment.

'Pupils are very polite, courteous and respectful.'

Ofsted 2018



Achieving Excellence

At Eckington School we want all our students to achieve excellence.

We have a highly motivated and talented staff team who are committed to helping every individual student to reach their potential. We provide excellence in learning and excellence in personal development, behaviour and welfare.

Our pastoral care is first class and as stated by Ofsted 'our work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is good'. Students say they feel safe, well supported and cared for.

'The school's provision for the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils is strong'



Curriculum

Our curriculum is constantly evolving with students offered courses designed to meet their needs and ensure success in a rapidly changing world.

Key Stage 3 (Years 7 and 8)

In Year 7, students are placed into mixed ability form groups. Each form is cared for and supervised by a form tutor, who is the students' and parents' first point of contact.

Each form is part of a year group. The Leader of Student Development monitors the educational progress, welfare, behaviour and pastoral care of each student in the year.

All our students follow a full programme of National Curriculum subjects, which is designed to better allow the students to make progress and achieve excellence. Equipping students with the core skills of literacy and numeracy drive our curriculum design.

‘The curriculum is driven by the school’s values, which include kindness, honesty and tolerance’

Ofsted 2018

Key Stage 4 (Years 9, 10 and 11)

During Year 8, students choose the optional subjects they will study in Key Stage 4, which they begin in Year 9.

Our curriculum is constantly developing with students offered a mix of traditional GCSE courses, complemented with a range of appropriate vocational qualifications. At GCSE level, students continue with the core subjects of English (English Language and Literature), mathematics, science and physical education. All of our students study at least one humanities subject (geography or history) or a modern foreign language (French or German). GCSE (or equivalent) options include art & design: fine art, art & design: photography, business, design technology: product design, drama, health and fitness, health & social care, hospitality and catering, imedia, media studies, music, performing arts, physical education and religious studies.

The Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13)

As an 11 to 18 school, we are proud of the students who choose to continue their education with us into Year 12 and 13. Based in our newly-refurbished Sixth Form Centre, students study from a range of over twenty A Level and equivalent courses. We also guarantee relevant work experience for all our students.

Extra-curricular Activities

We believe that academy life is more than attending lessons and that it should extend interests and skills.

The school Information Centre is open before school, and at break and lunch. Students can do homework, research subjects, look up careers information, borrow books and read newspapers/magazines. There is also a Homework Club for our students where students can find a quiet place to work and receive help.

Opposite are some examples of the kinds of extra-curricular activities offered at Eckington School. Regular updates about activities and other educational visits are given in our school newsletter; our website and tutor group messages.

A range of sports clubs and fixtures:

- Additional examination tuition, coursework, speaking practice and revision classes for Year 10, 11, 12 and 13
- Art study and gallery visits
- Biology field trips
- Choir
- Craft Club
- Drama Club
- Enterprise Club
- Foreign language study visits
- Geography field work
- Glee Club
- Homework Club
- House Competition
- ICT Club
- Languages Club
- Literacy Club
- Peripatetic music tuition
- Rewards visits
- School rehearsals and productions
- Science Club
- Science week and science activity days
- Sixth Form visit to New York
- STEM and Maths Club
- Textiles Club
- Theatre visits
- Ukulele Group
- Universities visits

'Parents agreed that pastoral care is a strength of the school.'

Ofsted 2018



Eckington School Day

The school day is designed to maximise both learning opportunities and extra-curricular activities.

Daily Timetable

8:30am	Students must be on school premises
8:40am	School begins - Registration in form rooms
9:00am	Lesson 1
10:00am	Lesson 2
11:00am	Morning break
11:20am	Lesson 3
12:20pm	Lesson 4
1:20pm	Lunch break
2:00pm	Lesson 5
3:00pm	Home time
3:00 - 3:30pm	Buses arrive and depart

Lunchtime

Lunch will be 40 minutes long. All students remain on the school premises during the lunch break.

School Meals

As a result of significant investment, the school benefits from modern food and serving facilities. Food is provided at breakfast, mid-morning and lunch.

School Term Dates 2018/2019

Term 1

School opens: 05/09/2018
Half term break: 26/10/2018 - 06/11/2018
School closes: 21/12/2018

Term 2

School opens: 07/01/2019
Half term break: 15/02/2019 - 25/02/2019
School closes: 12/04/2019

Term 3

School opens: 29/04/2019
Half term break: 24/05/2019 - 03/06/2019
School closes: 19/07/2019



'Pupils say that the school is a safe community'

Ofsted 2018

Learning Support

Eckington School is a comprehensive school which, through the learning support department, offers a supportive environment that allows all our students to achieve, to the best of their abilities.

We aim to inspire and challenge our young people and to help them achieve the very best they can to become confident, successful learners and responsible citizens.

Quality First Teaching means that all our teachers are aware of the needs of their students and will differentiate accordingly. The Learning Support Department works in close liaison with subject teachers to help students develop suitable strategies to support their learning and become independent learners.

Our learning support provision varies from in-class SEN support with a teaching assistant, through to long-term interventions to support a disability.

Work includes:

- Bespoke provision for those with physical disabilities/medical needs
- Achievement groups
- Home school learning programmes
- One-to-one teaching
- Bereavement support counselling
- Literacy intervention e.g. Lexia
- Exam support
- Alternative curriculum e.g. vocational learning
- Working with outside agencies
- Behaviour support and management
- Applications to post-16 education and training
- Y6 Headstart Programme
- Catch up sessions for literacy/numeracy
- Kick Start Programme for after school tuition



'Pupils' attitudes towards learning are good.'

Ofsted 2018

Getting Here

Walk

We encourage as many students as possible who live in or close to Eckington to walk to school to promote a healthy lifestyle and to reduce traffic around the school.

Buses

A number of school buses operate to and from the school. For further information, please contact Ms Price or Mrs Gregory, our Directors of Achievement, or Ms Swan, our Business Manager.

Cycle

It is also possible to cycle to school. We have a secure cycle shelter in school for students and staff to use.

Car

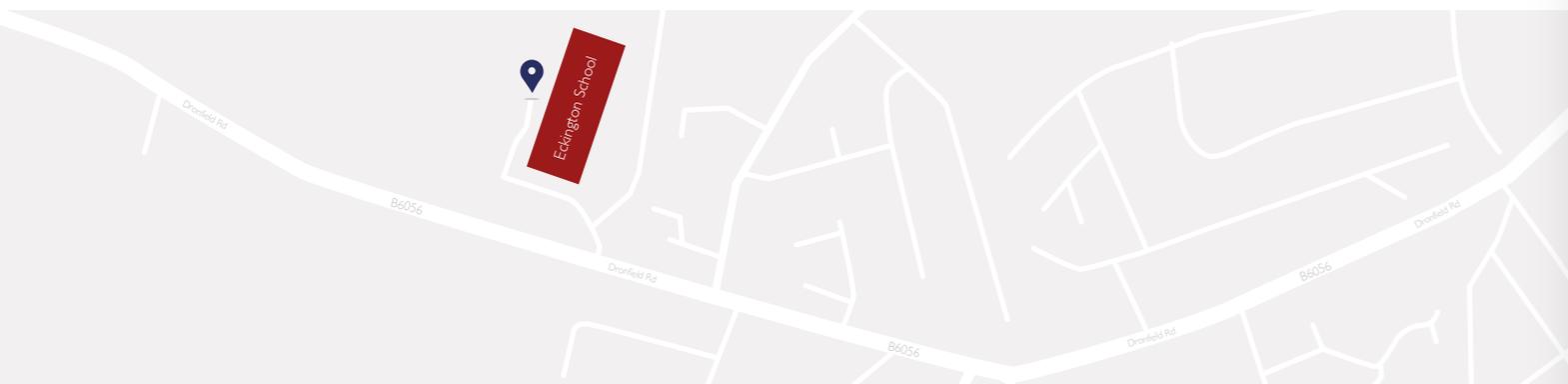
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Approaching on M1 Northbound, leave the motorway at Junction 3

For information on how to find us by car please do not hesitate to contact the school on 01246 432849.

On arrival please go to reception where the reception team will be happy to help.



Contact Us



In person:

At the school reception, where someone will be pleased to assist you.



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Assistant Principal

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Assistant Principal

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Business Manager

Amanda Gregory
Associate Assistant Principal

Katherine Needham
Associate Assistant Principal

Rebecca Price
Associate Assistant Principal

LEAP Vision

Achieving excellence is the overriding ambition of our Trust. We place students at the centre of everything we do, creating a culture of success and a love of learning which enhances students' achievements and their personal, social and emotional wellbeing.

We achieve our vision through:

Excellence for our Students

Inspiring, challenging, engaging and supporting all of our students to achieve excellent outcomes irrespective of their starting points. Every student is provided with a clear progression route to the next stage of their education and career.

Excellence for our Staff

Driving excellence in teaching and learning, and implementing a knowledge-rich curriculum that meets the needs and aspirations of all students.

Excellence for our Schools

Enhancing central and shared services to maximise organisational and cost efficiencies.

Excellence for our Communities

Building positive partnerships with our parents, primary schools and the wider community.



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Andy Riches
CEO

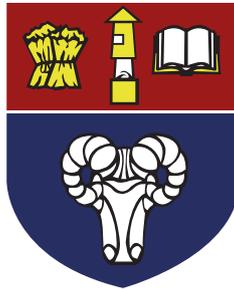


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Executive Principal



Achieving Excellence



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