



Vision and Ethos

In an increasingly competitive world, Eden Park High School will provide its students with the opportunity to truly **be the best that they can be**. This will be done through having the highest of expectations, engaging students with every aspect of school life and providing ample opportunity to fulfil their full potential. Our students will compete for the best university places and the most aspirational careers and our students will win those places. Eden Park High School will nurture scholastic excellence and provide the best education possible. We will know our students, who they are, where they are from and what we need to do to help them reach their own personal best. We will achieve all of this through teaching our students to have **traditional values**, whilst acquiring **21st Century Skills**. Any time a student is not being the best that they can be, our **extended learning programme** will pick them up again and set them back on track. Eden Park High School will encourage, look after, support, engage and inspire its students through outstanding lessons and **enrichment for all**.

Mission

To be the best that you can be is the ethos of Eden Park High School. We will work in close partnership with parents and carers to ensure that every child has the opportunity to shine. This reflects the high aspirations and expectations that we hold for every child. To be the best you can be encompasses our attitude, our vision and our values. Our students will be ready and prepared to learn; they will flourish and grow as they achieve their full potential. We believe that students have one chance at their education and at Eden Park High School their school experiences will lead to success. Eden Park High School will offer a safe and happy community where our students can discover who they are and where they want to go; with the right guidance and nurturing there is no limit as to where that could be.

Principles – the key values upon which the school will be based

To achieve our vision, to be the best you can be, our daily approach will be underpinned by four key principles.

- Traditional Values; 21st Century Skills,
- Extended Learning; Enrichment for All.

Firstly, **traditional values** are central to the running of our school. Manners matter and uniform is worn with pride. Every successful school needs excellent behaviour for learning. We will teach our students the importance of making positive choices for the benefit of both themselves and others. Eden Park High School will be built on relationships and the positive interactions between all members of the school community to build trust and effective communication. The well-being of every child is central to all that we do and our staff are committed to developing the whole child. Our staff know their students and every student's unique ability is nurtured. We encourage all of our students to make positive differences to the whole community and encourage them to stand by their individual responsibilities and appreciate the contribution that they can make to society. Our students will be committed to many community projects for which we will be proud, including links with primary schools, care homes and looking after our natural environment.

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Our second key principle is preparing our students for **21st Century learning** and work. Eden Park High School will prepare its students for the 21st Century world and we will nurture a student's all-round development to excellence. We have a **STEM specialism** and through this our students develop core skills that prepare them for the world of work. Our bespoke and modern campus will have state-of-the-art facilities which support our highly qualified staff in delivering a first-class education. We will have well equipped Science laboratories, exceptional workshop areas, WIFI access, extensive libraries and up-to-date ICT facilities across all departments so that students can enjoy high quality teaching resources. Our STEM based curriculum centres on developing confident, collaborative students who are able to solve problems, take an enquiry-based approach to their learning, be effective team workers and have high levels of digital literacy. These are all key attributes that will improve their future chances of employability. So much learning takes place outside of the classroom through exciting and powerful learning experiences and our STEM programme is extended further through our **enrichment programme** run in our **extended school day**.

The **extended school day** is our third key principle. Providing an extended day that runs from 8:30-5:30 leads to outstanding achievement for all students. Extending school hours enables us to offer a broader and deeper education in an inspirational environment. At Eden Park High School we have no "glass ceilings" in any area of school life and expectations are of the highest order. Having an extended school day means that we will have the time, capacity and professional staff on hand to meet all student's individual needs, supporting their academic progress and improving their future outcomes.

Offering an **enrichment for all** programme is our fourth key principle. A first-class academic education is only the first step in developing our students at Eden Park High School. We will engage and inspire our students through an adventurous enrichment programme. Students will have the opportunity to flourish in an enriched curriculum where, through the extended day, they have the time to try out and experience a wide range of extra-curricular pursuits. They will be encouraged to follow their own interests and passions, supported by experienced staff members who understand young people and have the capacity to support them through the delicate journey of adolescence. We will develop every child as an individual and expect a good-humoured willingness to take part in our enrichment programme. Activities will include performing arts, sports, life skills, STEM activities, outdoor pursuits, educational visits and creative arts – our school will be open to all forms of talent. Every student will spend a significant amount of time each day engaged in a valuable learning experience outside of the normal classroom to develop a love of learning. The curriculum is tailor-made, offering different pathways to a range of qualifications for each student. Our students will be offered a wide programme of activities so that they can "have a go". This will widen their horizons and give them a lifelong love of learning, enabling them to gain additional qualifications which build their self-confidence and give them an "edge" when applying to higher education and employment.

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