

BISHOP STOPFORD'S SCHOOL ENFIELD

2025/26 PROSPECTUS



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WELCOME

Bishop Stopford's School is an 'Outstanding' Christian School that welcomes those of all faiths or none.

Our school has been at the heart of the community for fifty years, delivering outstanding education for generations of North London residents. 'We are a highly welcoming place' (Ofsted 2024), offering an ambitious curriculum, taught by experienced, expert teachers who are committed to the flourishing of our young people. 'Leaders have high expectations and show determination that pupils can flourish. The school's motto of 'believe, strive, succeed' is at the heart of what the school does each day' (Ofsted 2024).

We provide a dynamic, modern and exciting learning environment where academic successes go hand in hand, with a powerful community ethos that puts each individual child at the centre and ensures a nurturing and harmonious environment. At the centre of all our work here is the concept that: 'the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body' 1 Corinthians 12:12. I, the Governors and the very experienced team of staff at Bishop Stopford's School, are committed to highly inclusive education that places students' achievement at its heart, ensuring that all of our students achieve good examination results that support them in their journey.

We believe that there are opportunities to learn everywhere and that a breadth of curriculum and extra-curricular experiences inspires students to be ambitious and engage in a life-long love of learning. Our school provides a breadth of opportunity to access the workplace and we have an outstanding record of students going on to successful careers in engineering, computing and public services. We ensure that all pupils believe in themselves, strive to excel and in doing so, succeed in the future, contribute to their community and take up positions of influence in society.

We were recently reconfirmed as 'Good' by both Ofsted in January 2024 and SIAMS in March 2024. The reports are glowing endorsements of our commitment to our students and highlight the ambition we have for all.



Mrs T Day BA (Hons),
NPQH Headteacher



Mrs T Day, Headteacher



OUR VISION

Our vision is to provide an outstanding, inclusive and aspirational education for all our children.

We believe that everyone in our community is capable of achieving beyond their expectations by living each day in all its fullness; spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and morally. We are underpinned by deep rooted values of respect, consideration, loyalty, responsibility and success.

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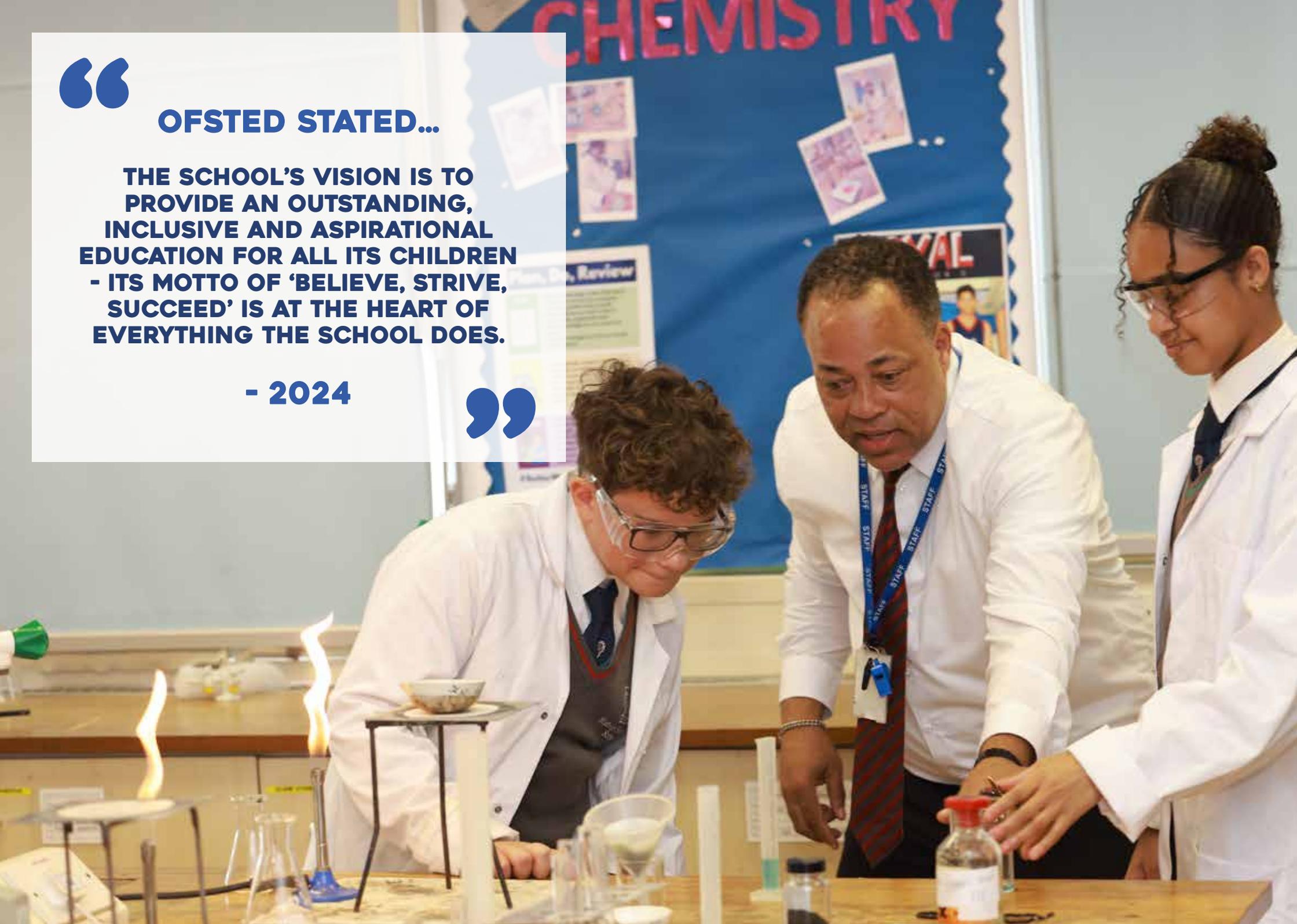
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LEARNING

In line with our school vision, we at Bishop Stopford's School believe that all of our students should have access to an outstanding educational provision that enables them to develop the knowledge and skills that will make them inquisitive, empowered and successful in all that they do.

We believe that all of our students are entitled to an educational learning journey, in line with the National curriculum, which is truly **A BISHOPS** experience. As such the curriculum that we offer focuses on:

- **Addressing inequality and empowering all** – ensuring that there are no barriers to success for our students and that all students are able to access and acquire a rich, high quality education. Enhancing their skills as learners, and enabling them to think big and aim high
- **Breadth and diversity** – providing our students with a breadth of subjects, knowledge and skill throughout all key stages, enabling them to experience and learn about a diverse range of disciplines and educational content
- **Inclusivity, ambition and engagement** – giving all our students the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills that will encourage and enable them to strive and succeed
- **Securing success for all** – ensuring that students have the necessary skills and knowledge to achieve the success they deserve throughout their educational journey and beyond
- **Harnessing awareness of the world in which we live** – exposing our students to the wider world and enabling them to gain a greater awareness of the experiences and marvels of the global stage
- **Outstanding values** – instilling the core values that enable us to respect and consider others, interact responsibly and develop successfully as individuals who live, work and support others within our community
- **Progression** – sequencing learning so that student understanding, knowledge and skill are continuously enriched and extended, enabling them to build on what they know in order to learn what they have yet to discover
- **Students** – ensuring that our students remain the central focus of all that we do

KEY STAGE 3

Our students get to experience a diverse range of subjects from the moment that they join us in Year 7.

All of our lessons are delivered by specialist teachers who have a detailed understanding of how to enhance the opportunities available to our students.

Our lessons are much more than simply delivering content. Throughout Key Stage 3, our students will follow the traditional subjects of maths, English, science, French, religious studies, geography, history and P.E. In addition they also have the opportunity to develop their creative talents in music, art and drama; and their technological skills in engineering, computer science and food technology.

Our students have access to well-equipped specialist rooms for the delivery of all practical subjects. Thanks to funding from The Belling Trust we have some of the best equipped technology workshops within the area.

In Year 7 all subjects are taught in mixed ability groups, this enables our students to form strong friendships with their peers and develop support networks quickly, our staff tailor their teaching to ensure that it meets the needs of all students.







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**THE SCHOOL PROVIDES ALL PUPILS WITH
A BROAD AND BALANCED CURRICULUM**

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KEY STAGE 4

We offer a broad and diverse range of subjects at Key Stage 4, enabling all of our students to choose a pathway that fully supports their skills, aspirations and dreams.

Alongside the core curriculum of English Language, English Literature, maths and combined science we encourage students to study at least 1 facilitating subject at GCSE (French, geography or history), though many choose to study all of these subjects. In addition to progression from all of the subjects offered during Key stage 3, students are also able to study enterprise, media studies, sport and sociology at Key stage 4. We offer both traditional GCSE's alongside vocational qualifications to ensure that different types of learning style are catered for within our offer.

As a church school, religious studies is naturally very important to us and as such all of our students also study RS at GCSE level. This not only provides our students with the opportunity to gain a valuable qualification, it also enables them to explore spiritual ideas and social attitudes, preparing them further for life in the wider world.

The breadth of our Key Stage 4 offer ensures that all of our students have the freedom and opportunity to pursue their own journey to success and supports our wider vision of providing an outstanding, inclusive and aspirational education for our students.

INTERVENTION AND NURTURE PROVISION

Students who struggle with literacy and or numeracy may receive small-group interventions, or if necessary, one-to-one individual support for catch-up literacy, catch up numeracy, and speech, language and communication needs. The school offers small-group nurture provision for students requiring emotional literacy support, and extra-curricular activities are offered via homework club, breakfast club and break-time games club for this cohort.

In addition to this, those students in the early stages of English acquisition benefit from small group intervention with our highly experienced English as an additional language (EAL) team who provide on-going support.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our Christian ethos permeates the curriculum and ensures that moral purpose is central to all that we do.

At Bishop Stopford's School, we believe that all our students should understand what it means to be a good person. We provide dedicated lessons that help our students to understand their place in the world and their moral and social responsibilities within a community.

Our PSHCE lessons cover topics such as bullying, friendship, sex education and spiritual issues. We promote freedom, harmony, love, a belief in personal and social responsibility and respect for British values.

Our Personal Development Programme is broken down into the following strands:-

- Character
- Wellbeing and Community (including RSE)
- Cultural Capital
- Careers and Employment
- Equality and Diversity

As part of this program, students take part in enrichment days, extra-curricular activities, workshops, drop down days, charity events, tutorial sessions, student leadership opportunities, trips, PHSE and RSE lessons.

Through a variety of rich and varied experiences and opportunities, we develop talents and wider skills.

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SIAMS STATED...

ITS A SCHOOL IN WHICH DISCUSSION AND ENQUIRY ABOUT MATTERS OF FAITH IS EASY AND NATURAL. STUDENTS AND STAFF OF ALL FAITHS AND NONE ARE SUPPORTED IN THEIR SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

An extensive enrichment programme supports and extends students' learning. Below are some of the activities we have on offer:

- Basketball
- Football Netball
- Table tennis
- Amateur dramatic society
- Maths Intervention
- Geography film club
- ICT homework club
- Gaming club
- Strategy games club
- Chess club
- Worship group
- Book Club
- Cooking Club
- String group
- Gospel choir
- Drum club
- Christian union
- Art club
- Steel pan
- Programming club
- Philosophy club
- Speedy snacks
- Maths united challenge
- Gardening Club





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**TEACHERS SUPPORT
PUPILS' KNOWLEDGE
AND SKILLS EFFECTIVELY,
INCLUDING THROUGH HIGH
LEVELS OF GUIDANCE IN
LESSONS**

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**LEADERS 'MAKE SURE THAT PUPILS AT
THE SCHOOL ARE HAPPY AND SAFE'**

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OUR COMMUNITY

We offer our students a wide range of opportunities and excellent learning resources, which enable them to make good academic progress and to develop as individuals. Our teachers are passionate about their subjects, and they ensure that students achieve academic results that are the passport to higher education and fulfilling careers.

Our students have many opportunities to develop themselves through educational visits and extra-curricular activities. We know that there is a national skills shortage within STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) industries in the UK and so are ensuring that our students are equipped to fill these roles in the future. This is why we have developed a curriculum that ensures access to the best facilities and courses within these subjects. In particular the growth and development of our Engineering department, which allows students to work on industry standard machines for aluminium casting, laser cutting and 3D printing with use of CAD programmes. As a result we now have students at university studying Computer Science, Aeronautical Engineering, Aerospace Technology and Commercial Pilot Training.

Bishop Stopford's School is an enthusiastic and friendly place. We pride ourselves on a very high level of pastoral care, and this is based on trust, tolerance and respect; high levels of discipline are an important part of our learning ethos.

The system is designed to:

- Develop the full potential of all students by carefully monitoring academic progress
- Develop good relationships with parents and carers
- Ensure all students are happy and safe in school
- Provide a full range of extra-curricular activities for students to widen their experience outside the classroom

OVERVIEW OF THE SIXTH FORM

In line with our school vision, we believe that providing an outstanding and aspirational education is key for all of our sixth form pupils.

Enabling students to pursue the pathways of their choice is crucial and so we offer a flexible and wide range of academic and vocational qualifications for our students whilst also developing their professional skills which will be needed for the workplace.

As a Sixth Form Centre we are particularly proud of our strong STEM delivery alongside the range of facilitating A levels, including biology, chemistry, economics, English Literature, history, maths, physics, psychology and sociology.

We also offer an extensive suite of vocational qualifications alongside these more traditional A Level subjects, to ensure that we provide an all-round educational opportunity for everyone. In doing so we are able to support our students in their journey to success.

In addition to these courses, we also have a well established foundation pathway catering for students who are new to the country or require additional support in order to secure their GCSE's in Maths & English. These students routinely progress onto Level 3 programmes of study in our 3 year pathway.

Our destinations data routinely shows that our sixth form students continue into further education and apprenticeships to a greater extent than both the borough and national average figures, pursuing courses as diverse as Aeronautical engineering, nursing, social work, psychology, Physics and Business Management.

We believe in growing our students to be successful in all areas of their life. Alongside their chosen subjects they also have access to an extensive personal development programme that encompasses careers guidance, extra-curricular activities and leadership opportunities to ensure that they are well equipped to make choices in the future and have the skill set to successfully compete so that they can pursue their chosen pathways beyond their time at Bishop Stopford's School.



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LEADERS ARE KEEN TO ENSURE THAT PUPILS ARE WELL PREPARED FOR LIFE BEYOND SCHOOL; PROVIDE PUPILS WITH A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS; AND ENSURE THERE ARE A RANGE OF LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUPILS.

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