

WOODLANDS
SCHOOL
ASPIRATION, RESILIENCE, OPPORTUNITY, EXCELLENCE



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Every young person deserves an education that opens doors, builds character and shapes their future.



At Harris Academy Kingswood, we are guided by our values of **Aspiration**, **Resilience**, **Opportunity** and **Excellence**. It is our ambition for every one of our students to go on and change the world for the better having thought big, worked hard and taken advantage of every opportunity on offer over their five years with us.





All will have the foundations laid for a **lifelong love of learning** through a fully inclusive and appropriately **challenging curriculum** taught by **outstanding and highly qualified teachers**. Barriers to learning are removed in a safe and stimulating environment where **all make outstanding progress, with the opportunities to be excellent.**

Our main aims

- For all our **decisions to be driven by our ethos** of Aspiration, Resilience, Opportunity, Excellence.
- To have **all stakeholders move forward with our ethos in mind** and become better as a result.
- Every youngster to be given **the tools to thrive** in any context.
- All to be equipped with the **metacognitive skills to constantly improve.**

What we want for our students

Be Aspirational

- All will be well-informed, **fully prepared to take the next steps in their education or training.** All are encouraged to strive towards Russell Group universities, higher apprenticeships and high-level employment, both in and further afield.
- All will gain the **cultural capital** to ensure they are rounded, well-informed individuals who have seized the same cultural opportunities as their peers from the wide range of educational backgrounds.
- **All, especially those with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities, will be equipped with the vital life skills** required to flourish and excel in adult life.

What we want for our students

Be Resilient

- All will be **emotionally and physically healthy**, equipped to keep themselves safe in the modern, digital world.
- All will possess the **depth of character and resilience** to cope with setbacks and rise to challenges, whatever life throws at them.

What we want for our students

Take Opportunities

- All will be **highly literate and numerate**, fully confident in applying these core skills to new contexts.
- All will be **excellent orators**, equipped with the impressive communication skills so sought after by high-level employers.
- All will **take opportunities to fully immerse themselves in the wider life of the school**, engaging in a range of enriching activities that both help foster positive relationships with peers and adults and **take you out of your comfort zone**.

What we want for our students

Be Excellent

- All will **excel in a wide range of subjects**, with a strong academic core that supports their academic, creative, technical or vocational ambitions.
- All will **become experts in your subjects** and possess the metacognitive skills to continually improve their knowledge and skills.
- All will **read widely and appreciate the value of lifelong learning**.



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What we want for our students

At **Harris Academy Kingswood**
our **expectations** are that ALL Students...



1

Attend every day and every lesson on time

2

Look smart and wear your uniform with pride

3

Be polite and respectful to all

4

Work hard and always try your best in all aspects of school life

5

Always be equipped for learning, every day, every lesson

What we expect from our students

- **Embrace our AROE lessons** (known elsewhere as PSHE).
- These lessons help promote our **four key values and prepare all for the real world.**
- Involve yourselves in everything to help gain that **cultural capital** by pushing out of any comfort zones.
- Complete incredibly well, and on time all home learning. Our **RAW – (Retrieval At Woodlands)** & our **RAPID (Revise & Rehearse, Apply, Prepare, Improve, Design)** progress tasks.

What to expect from us

- Help all to achieve **academic excellence**.
- The **best staff**, teaching and associate.
- **Clear and consistent rules**.
- Clear and **wide-ranging curriculum** options.
- **First class facilities**.
- **Over 70 clubs, 300 Student Leadership Roles, & 50 trips and visits**.
- **Regular and honest communication** via website, weekly newsletter, Arbor, SatchelOne, Instagram and X.

What we expect from you

- We expect you to **support our school and our AROE ethos** – you did choose us.
- We are first and foremost **a place of learning** – that is our core purpose.
- To treat **all staff with respect and be courteous.**
- Know that **we won't get everything right** – and that taking to social media to tell everyone isn't helpful.
- Remember that **we only come to work to change the lives of our students.**

What we expect from you

- Think about any **changes you might need to make at home** e.g. pack school bag the night before.
- **Stick to the uniform code.** Your child will feel more comfortable from day one.
- Support them to **stay on top of home learning and show an active interest.**
- **Discuss the many clubs and Student Leadership Roles** they can take part in and encourage them to join one.
- If they are having **any problems**, social or educational, please contact the **tutor** in the first instance, then the **relevant teacher** or **Head of Year**.

What we expect from you

- **Work with us** to support our students.
- **Promote our ethos** of Aspiration, Resilience, Opportunity, Excellence.
- Help us to provide them with the tools to **solve their own problems.**
- Help them to get used to **being organised.**

What sets us apart from the rest?

- Our strong **AROE ethos**.
- Being part of the **Harris Federation**.
- We are **part of a cause** – not just a place of learning.
- The learning environment.
- The **teaching of AROE** – our RSHE (Relationships, Sex, & Health Education).
- All are taught **Religion Education**.
- Our promotion of **Cultural Capital**.
- **Home Learning** – our approach.



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The Kingswood Way

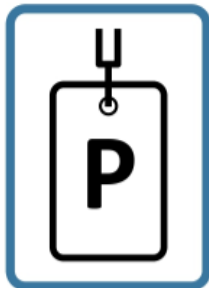
The Kingswood Way is the way we do things at Harris Academy Kingswood.

- The purpose of the Kingswood Way is to keep you all safe and create an environment where you all can find your excellence.



At **Harris Academy Kingswood**

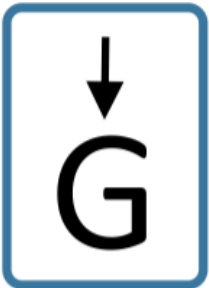
our **expectations** are that ALL students **MUST...**



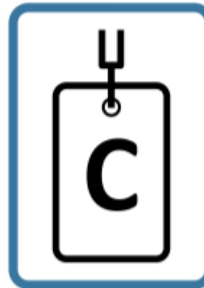
WEAR a **corridor pass** when out of class during lesson time.



NOT have **electronic devices** on school site. Not seen or Not heard = Not taken.
(Phones, Airpods, headphones, Smart watches etc.)



USE only the toilets on the **ground floor** during breaktime and lunchtime.



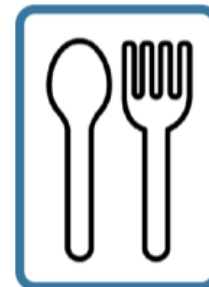
PRESENT a **club pass** if caught wandering around the building at breaktime or lunchtime.



NOT WEAR **coats** inside the building.



USE the **one-way system** and walk on the left.



CONSUME **food** outside or in the Atrium.

The Kingswood Way – Uniform



Jewellery

- One pair of plain studs
- Small
- Metal (Gold or Silver)
- Nothing valuable
- No other jewellery



School Shoes

- THEY MUST BE SENSIBLE BLACK LEATHER SHOES.
- No trainers
- No canvas
- No boots

The Kingswood Way – No mobile phones

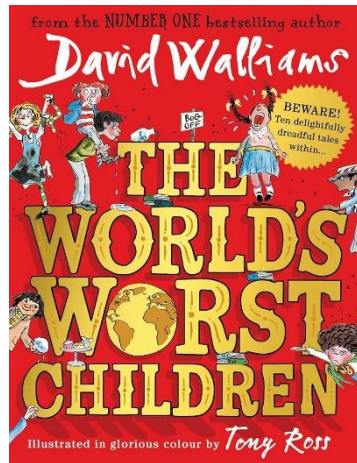
- Mobile phones and other electronic devices are not be brought into school.





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The Kingswood Way – Equipment



- One for everyone if wanted.
- Bring in own padlock.
- £7.50 annual charge payable via ParentMail.
- Emptied and padlock removed at the end of each year.

- Payment by thumb.
- **£8.00 limit per day unless you set otherwise.**
- Parents/carers can see via ParentMail what has been purchased.
- Topped up by parents/carers using ParentMail.

The Kingswood Way – School day

08.25 start of day. Registration or assembly

09.00 – 10.00. Period 1

10.05 – 11.05. Period 2

11.05 – 11.25. Break

11.25 – 12.25. Period 3

12.30 – 13.30. Period 4

13.30 – 14.10. Lunch

14.10 – 15.10. Period 5

15.10. End of school day

16.15. End of Period 6 for some Year 11

Punctuality is an important life skill!

- If students arrive after 8.25am, the official start of the school day, their name will be recorded by one of our Attendance Officers and they will be set a detention.
- Given that movement time is built into the school day, if students arrive late to lesson, they will be set a sanction to make up the missed learning time.

Students and parents will be made aware of sanctions via the Satchel App.

- Attendance and punctuality have a high profile at Kingswood.
- Expectation is for students to attend every available session.
- Attainment is strongly linked to attendance. 1 day of absence equates to 5 hours of lost learning.
- We work collaboratively with parents/carers to remove any barriers to learning.
- We also work with the local authority and partners where necessary.
- Routine medical appointments should be made outside of school hours.

- **Epraise our online reward system** www.epraise.co.uk or via the app.
- Awarded reward points for **Aspiration, Resilience, Opportunity and Excellence**.
- Epraise points will be awarded to all aspects of school life:
 - attendance, positive behaviour in & out of the classroom, effort & attainment in lessons, participation in extra-curricular opportunities (clubs, pupils leadership roles, trips & visits, helping out at events).
- Bronze, Silver and Gold **AROE badges** can also be achieved alongside our **Cultural Capital Badge**.

7A1 & 7R1 – University of Oxford

7A2 & 7R2 – University of Cambridge

7A3 & 7R3 – University of St Andrews

7A4 & 7R4 – Durham University

7A5 & 7R5 – Loughborough University

7A6 & 7R6 – University of Bath

- Each house will have a House Captain and a Deputy in each year group.
- Competitions between houses will take place during curriculum lessons throughout the year, and through Sports Day.

The Kingswood Way – Anti-Bullying

- No bullying of any kind will be tolerated.
- Reported to Head of Year.
- Action taken.

Anti-Bullying Text Line



07565 034421



Miss Steddon is our Anti Bullying Champion.

The Kingswood Way – Safeguarding

To safeguard our whole community, we do not tolerate:

- Bullying.
- Any form of abuse.
- Any form of harassment.
- Making someone feel uncomfortable.
- The sending of hurtful or unwanted messages/ images.

Why?

- School relationships based on respect, friendship, tolerance and kindness.

We will:

- Listen.
- Take all worries or concerns seriously.
- Be non-judgmental.
- Support.
- Never keep a secret, but always act in the best interests of the child.
- Consider the student's wishes and feelings.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Riste

Our Safeguarding Team



Principal
Mr D Wright
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Assistant Principal (Safeguarding Lead)
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Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
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Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
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The Kingswood Way – Year 7



Mrs Wykes
Head of Year 7 & KS3
Pastoral Manager



Mrs Atkinson
Head of Primary Transition
&
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

The Kingswood Way – Year 7 Tutors



Mr Sherwood



Miss Taylor



Mr Gray



Mr Reay



Miss Radvakova



Miss Gleed



Mr Kenward



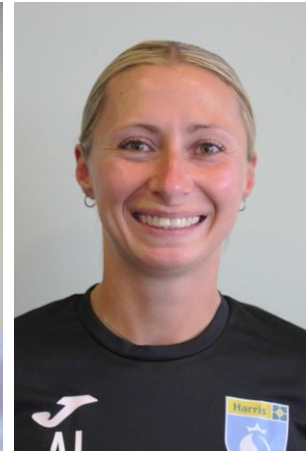
Miss Pavel



Mrs Tugwell



Mr Williams



Miss Jones



Mrs Braybrook



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The Kingswood Way – Primary Ambassadors



The Kingswood Way – Centralised sanction system

- Detentions, are all set centrally.
- Through a simple booking system on Satchel One.
- Satchel One will automatically contact home, so no phone call necessary (unless more serious issues).
- All parent/carers are required to download the app or access the website.



The Kingswood Way – Top tips

- Follow the Kingswood Way.
- Smile and be friendly.
- Make new friends.
- Be positive.
- Be smart and prepared.
- Take up all opportunities open to you.
- Just relax and be yourself.



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Personalised approach

- Began as soon as we knew you would be joining us in March.
- Mrs Atkinson has led our transition.
- Building on our great primary partnerships.
- Taster Activities.

What you can expect from me as Head of Year 7

- To seek to remove all barriers to learning.
- Endeavor to respond to you within 24 hours of your call/email.
- I am a teaching head of year so not available at some periods in the day but I will try respond before I leave in the evening.
- If urgent I am available between 7.20am- 8.20am Monday – Friday.

Key Year 7 dates

- **Monday 7th September 2026:** Term starts for Year 7.
- **Thursday 10th September 2026:** New Intake Information Evening.
- **Thursday 24th September 2026:** Open Evening – 12.30pm finish.
- **Thursday 8th October 2026** – Year 7 Preparing for Success Event.
- **Friday 18th December 2026:** End of term.



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