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Providing a life-enhancing education that develops the character, talents and potential of every child

ACHIEVEMENT ~ DIVERSITY ~ RESPECT

14 September 2022

Dear Year 6 parents and carers,

Your child's education and experience of school is as important to us as it is to you and therefore we welcome your visits both on our upcoming Year 6 Open Evening or in the daytime when the school is fully operating.

Cotham is known for its fantastically broad curriculum offer, our reputation for excellent teaching and pastoral support all of which have contributed so effectively to the achievement and success of our students over many, many years. We are a wonderfully comprehensive and the most inclusive of schools and I am exceptionally proud of the excellent and well rounded education that we provide here.

Our students, amongst their many other attributes, are highly aspirational with exceptionally positive attitudes towards their education. In combination with the school's long-held emphasis on academic achievement and attainment, this has led to them achieving impressive examination outcomes over many years. But this is not the only area in which Cotham students excel; they develop as very well rounded and confident young people as a result of their broad and balanced curriculum, our wide and varied extra curricular offer and our emphasis on personal and social development.

Cotham staff are second to none and our students are exceptional young people. At Cotham, we work tirelessly and enthusiastically to secure the best possible achievement, outcomes, happiness and life chances and for every student who joins our community. We all want the best possible outcomes for every child in our care and we work tirelessly towards this every day.

Underpinning this are our Our Core Values:

Achievement:

- We are a top school in Bristol for examination outcomes.
- We are ambitious for every student, seeking out potential and hidden talents.
- We develop academic, creative and sporting excellence.

Diversity:

- We are a proudly diverse and cohesive school community, celebrating our differences.
- Our school environment is warm and welcoming to all.
- We develop curiosity and knowledge about the world and each other through our broad and inclusive curriculum.



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Respect:

- We care for others and are empathetic, honest and courteous.
- We strive to become better listeners.
- We are socially responsible and we maximise our positive impact on the people in our communities while minimising our footprint on the world

At Cotham we value the partnerships we have with families and the wider community and take pride in the fact that our school community reflects the diversity of Bristol. We value the quality of relationships that we build and the rich variety of backgrounds and experiences that our students and their families bring to enrich our school. Making the transition between primary and secondary school can be a particularly anxious time for children and their families. At Cotham we really invest in this process and, as a result, build good partnerships from the start. This begins with our visits to our new Year 7 students at their primary schools and our fun and engaging visit programme during Term 6; both characteristic features of Cotham's early induction process.

A really important part of Cotham's identity is that we have a Sixth Form. This means that our students can stay with us from Year 7 through to Year 13 benefiting from stability and continuity of education within the Cotham community. Our Sixth Form, part of the North Bristol Post 16 Centre, a partnership between Cotham and Redland Green School is thriving with over eight hundred students studying with us.

We are proud of our school community and seeing us 'at work' is the ideal way to see why. It is always a pleasure to show children and their families our school and we would love you to take advantage of the opportunities we have for you.

Please check [our website](#) for full details or get in touch with us by email or phone.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you soon.

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Open Evening for Year 6 students, parents and carers

28 September 2022 at 6.30pm

Open mornings for Year 6 students, parents and carers

9.15am - 10.00am

21 Sept | 23 Sept | 04 Oct | 06 Oct | 12 Oct | 14 Oct 2022

NB: This year a new Year 7 have joined us from over 30 primary schools from across the City with the furthest distance offered 3.022km



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