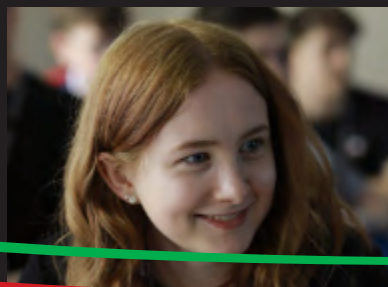




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*'Be the very best you can be'*





*Welcome to our college*



# *From the Head of School*



*“Pupils appreciate the strong sense of community in your school. Staff know the pupils well as individuals and talk passionately about how they enjoy teaching them.”*

Ofsted.

As a parent myself, I understand that choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make. I hope that this prospectus will give you a flavour of our ethos and values, as well as the wide range of opportunities that are available to our learners.

Hailsham Community College 2-19 all-through academy is built on a commitment to academic excellence and the highest of personal standards, within an environment which provides each individual with the care, support and encouragement that he or she needs to succeed. We pride ourselves on traditional values such as hard work, respect, courtesy and integrity, whilst preparing young people for all the challenges of life in the 21st century.

Our staff and Board of Trustees are passionate in ensuring each student is given the best possible learning experiences. They are dedicated professionals who strive to make the academy a happy and safe environment in which to thrive. Our learners are our best ambassadors. I hope you will visit the academy in person, meet our learners and see us at work.

I look forward to welcoming you.

Natalie Chamberlain

*Interim Head of School*

# Mission

Our mission is to inspire learning which will form the foundations for successful futures.

*We have four pillars for success:*

- Learners who believe they can achieve the very best they can through their belief that hard work will lead to success. They will develop as well-rounded individuals who are positive ambassadors for the academy.
- Staff for whom we are the employer of choice where they can continue to develop and are valued for their contributions.
- Parents/carers who recognise their important role in engaging with their child's learning and development whilst supporting the academy in providing a safe environment.
- A Community that is proud of its links with the academy and its learners.

# Values

At Hailsham we have five key principles that are reinforced across the academy.

- **Consistency:** A strong, clear and consistent culture which supports learning through high expectation.
- **Aspiration:** Together we will overcome any barriers to learning and achievement.
- **Respect:** Respect yourself, respect each other and respect our learning environment.
- **Belonging:** We are a strong community in which learners feel safe, supported and valued.
- **Standards:** All learners are able to make good progress during their good lives.



*“Exchanges between staff and pupils throughout the day are a real hallmark, and illustrate the strength of relationships on which the school is built. Pupils speak highly of these excellent relationships, describing them as a key strength which contributes to their enjoyment of school.”*

Ofsted.



*“There are many opportunities for students to take part in clubs and activities; school trips are plentiful and varied. Perhaps most importantly, our children feel safe at HCC and we have every confidence that safeguarding is a huge priority.”*

Parent.



● *Pastoral Care*





Joining a new school, whether it be in Reception, as a new Year 7 or Post-16 learner, or a learner transferring into another year group, can seem a little daunting. We pride ourselves on making the admissions process as smooth as possible and offer a transition programme to all learners who join us.



We have a House System which is designed to fully support all learners throughout their time at the academy. House Leaders, Pastoral Support Assistants and Mentors support our young people so that they have the best possible learning experiences, and they work with both students and parents to ensure any barriers to learning are overcome.

Learners are represented by the College Council which consists of representatives from every mentor group. This is led by House Leaders alongside our very own Student Leadership Team who also meet regularly with senior staff to consult on areas of strength and development.

# *An Inspirational Environment*

We are extremely proud of the recent and significant investment we have secured for the academy with support from the Local Authority. In September 2019, the college was redesignated to become a 2-19 all-through academy with the addition of a brand new, two form entry primary phase school.

More recently we have undertaken a major development of the secondary site to provide an additional teaching block with 22 new classrooms as well as a second, floodlit all-weather sports facility.

We want all of our learners to aspire to achieve great things. We are proud to have developed links with a range of guest speakers and alongside our high quality careers programme, we are able to deliver excellent advice and guidance.

In addition to extra-curricular activities, we believe that learning outside of the classroom is crucial in bringing learning to life whilst helping students to raise their own aspirations.

We have great opportunities for learners to experience life beyond the classroom; within work experience settings, through a wide range of educational visits and journeys, and exciting activities which all aim to broaden learner experiences and cultural knowledge.





# Curriculum

At Hailsham Community College all-through academy, we have an ambitious and coherent curriculum that ensures learners engage in broad and rich experiences, preparing them for the next stage in their education, employment and adult life.

*Our curriculum will:*

- be knowledge based, providing stretch and challenge which is accessible and aspirational for all learners;
- enable learners to make choices to keep themselves safe, be confident individuals and responsible citizens;
- develop cultural capital so that learners have the skills, values and experiences that help them be successful in life;
- promote global awareness, inspiring curiosity which motivates learners to develop an understanding of life in modern society.

*“Students report that behaviour is good and never disrupts their learning. Outside of classrooms, students are courteous and unfailingly polite. The academy’s culture enables them to grow as confident, eloquent and articulate young people, well supported by the staff, who provide extensive enrichment beyond formal lessons.”*

Ofsted.



# Our *Sixth Form*



We welcome learners into Hailsham Community College Sixth Form from a wide range of local schools. Membership of the Sixth Form provides learners with a thriving and successful environment in which to continue to study and grow. We have an excellent record in supporting learners into employment or onto the university course of their choice.

As well as a continued commitment to academic excellence, learners in the Sixth Form are particularly encouraged to show independence, personal responsibility and leadership. There is also a strong tradition of community service and support for younger learners.

*“As one learner said to me, ‘Why would I go anywhere else when the teachers know me and support me so well?’”* Ofsted.

*“The sixth form is a clear strength of the academy. Learners achieve highly, enjoy being part of a thriving community and are increasingly accessing top universities.”*

Ofsted.









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