

Achieving Excellence



Ms Catriona Mangham, Head Teacher

Welcome to Fairfield High School

Exceptional, excellent, engaging, enjoyable – all words that describe the educational experience at Fairfield High School.

In this diverse and vibrant school community we strive to maximise the potential of every individual and want all students to leave having achieved their best.

We pride ourselves not only on the academic achievements of our students but also in developing the whole person, who grows through being at Fairfield High School into a responsible, globally aware 21st Century citizen. Our staff and facilities are outstanding and the outcomes for our students are amongst the best in Bristol and the South West.

We are very proud of the achievements of our students, most of whom stay on locally to further education and from there progress to top universities, including Oxford and Cambridge.

Students choose to come to Fairfield High School because they find it challenging, it sees them as individuals and its small size ensures a sense of really belonging.

I look forward to welcoming you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be 'Catriona'.



“There is an
extremely positive ethos
in the school...



Students behave well
and show respect for
each other and
for adults.”
(Ofsted 2013)



COHESIVE LEARNING

*Best Value Added in Bristol,
5th best in the South West*

Our commitment at Fairfield High School is to provide the opportunities and support for students to succeed according to their abilities and talents.

We develop students to be inquiring, imaginative, knowledgeable, principled, caring and risk takers.



“An **extremely harmonious** and cohesive learning community **where all thrive**. Students are given a wide range of opportunities to broaden their understanding”
(Ofsted 2013)



**“I have found Fairfield
to be an engaging and
encouraging school which
has kept me motivated to
be the best I can.”**

(Ellie Fitzherbert, Year 11 Prefect)

A close-up photograph of a young person with dark skin and short, dark hair styled in braids. They are wearing red-rimmed glasses and a school uniform consisting of a dark blue jacket over a yellow shirt with a red and blue striped tie. They are looking down at a piece of audio equipment, specifically a mixing console with various sliders and buttons. The background is blurred.

CURRICULUM

Fairfield is a secondary school up to GCSE level and our curriculum offers a wide range of subjects, with a strong focus on Ancient and Modern languages, and Humanities.

We offer early entry at GCSE level and also at A-Level in languages and arts subjects. We were STEM School of the Year in 2012 and new to the curriculum this year is Philosophy for Children.

There are many enrichment opportunities including trips abroad, as well as partnerships with media and creative industries within Bristol.

The school works closely with Bristol University and UWE to offer enrichment and development opportunities for all abilities and talents.

“The quality of **teaching** in a wide range of subjects **is consistently good and sometimes outstanding**”
(Ofsted 2013)



“Students from a very wide range of backgrounds **working well together** and **showing great respect for each other**” (Ofsted 2013)

CHALLENGE

In addition to academic challenge where we endeavour to maximise our students’ full potential, we have an extensive range of clubs that run during lunchtimes and after school, giving opportunities to take on challenges that span beyond the classroom. These include Sports, Drama, ICT, Music, Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, Chess, Cookery and Public Debating.

Fairfield aims to create personal challenges by offering an environment where students are supported, developed and nurtured. We believe that all students should be proficient in the core skills of literacy and numeracy and have a specialist programme in place to ensure all are challenged in these areas.



“Students’ progress is monitored extremely carefully and **well-targeted support is provided**” (Ofsted 2013)

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LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY

We believe that everyone within the school community is a leader.

Leadership skills are developed as part of the whole curriculum, through the House system and through the roles of prefects.

The Leadership Team at Fairfield was rated 'outstanding' by Ofsted in June 2013; they in turn aim to inspire students to follow in these footsteps.

We ensure students recognise and contribute to Fairfield High School as a community and reinforce their understanding of their roles in local and international communities.

We have partnerships with schools in India, France and Zambia.

Students support a range of national and local charities through Citizenship.



“The school’s involvement with the local and wider community is **impressive.**” (Ofsted 2013)

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