

Bourne

Community College



Aspiration, Innovation, Motivation
Prospectus

Welcome to Bourne Community College



Welcome to Bourne Community College and to our unique school, located on the south coast of England between the historic city of Chichester and the surrounding villages of West Sussex. As Head, I am delighted to be leading the school with an inspirational team of staff and a dedicated Governing Body, at this exciting time as we expand our school.

We look forward to getting to know your children and most importantly working closely with you as parents and carers. Our aim is to ensure our students make the best of the many varied and wonderful opportunities that the school offers.

We have the distinct advantage as a successful school, of offering 180 student places in each year group. This leads to a strong sense of community and allows us to cater for each of our students as individuals.

We are very proud of the strong international partnerships we have developed over the last ten years and the diverse extra curricular activities we provide.

They enrich our students in so many ways, giving them a real insight into the lives of other young people and cultures around the world and enabling them to communicate in a variety of different ways. We aim to fully prepare our students for life beyond school and ensure their success, during this crucial stage of their learning journey.

We work hard so they make exceptional progress, academically and personally, to build on their self-confidence and self-belief and to develop their gifts and talents. We want them to leave us in five years time as responsible, confident young citizens, equipped to thrive and contribute to the world beyond the Bourne Community College.

As a result, we are very proud of our students and their successes and welcome visits, so you can see for yourself what a unique school we really are.

Yvonne Watkins
Headteacher



About our school

Bourne Community College is an 11 – 16 state maintained comprehensive school with Trust School status, supported by a dedicated Governing Body. The Trust which supports the school, comprises of:

Chichester University, Chichester College, Chichester District Council, Thorney Island Military Base New Life Community Church.

Being a Trust School places us in the enviable position of maintaining a close partnership with West Sussex Local Authority. It also allows us to have almost complete autonomy to source the goods and services which best serve the needs of our students, whilst adding to our uniqueness as a school.

“Joining the Youth Cabinet has increased my confidence to another level. I have already had so many opportunities and experiences and my name is beginning to become known. The Youth Cabinet has given me a platform to make a difference.”

Heather,
Year 10 student and elected member of West Sussex Youth Council



Teaching, Learning & Our Curriculum

Teaching and learning is at the heart of all that we do. We offer a stimulating curriculum for all abilities, encouraging our students to become enquiring and independent thinkers. Our focus is to challenge and support all students to reach, even exceed, their full potential. Teachers and students are encouraged to have high expectations and to be innovative in their thinking. Our focus on the delivery of outstanding and engaging lessons ensures student learning is a priority.



“ The quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good. Subject leaders use their good knowledge of the strengths and areas for improvement in their teams effectively, so that teaching is good.

Ofsted Report 2016

“ Our learners are resilient and know that their effort and attitude make all the difference! They persevere when they are frustrated and are inspired by people who succeed. As staff we help them to keep a positive growth mindset so that they can achieve anything they want to.

**Rachel James,
Leader of Humanities,
Geography**



“ Teaching at Bourne Community College is dedicated to student progress, achievement and enjoyment. Lessons are planned with the students’ needs at the centre and are engaging and inspiring. Teachers are also committed to their own continued professional development which makes for a forward-thinking and collaborative staff body.

**Alice Hardwick,
Assistant Headteacher**



Beyond the classroom

We are immensely proud of the rich diet of extra-curricular activities offered at Bourne Community College. Along with the many sporting clubs and teams, we have a strong focus on music, community art projects, performing arts and drama productions. We also offer STEAM challenges in Art, Science, Design & Technology and Prose & Poetry competitions.

Our outward-looking ethos creates strong exchanges and enables many projects between ourselves and our American and European partner schools. These, together with termly Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions and a range of outdoor pursuits, including ski trips and more recently a volunteer programme to Africa, all contribute to the wealth of extra-curricular opportunities at Bourne Community College.

Over the last 10 years, strong partnerships have evolved at the College with our international partners. We foster all of these links, to grow and develop our awareness of the world beyond the UK. This gives staff and students alike, a real insight into life in different schools abroad and widens our experiences and perspective of the world in which we live.

Our biannual trip to Ghana, transforms lives. The development and growth in confidence of each student who volunteers on the trip, makes the whole experience so rewarding.

Each member of the trip returns with lots of stories about their experiences and lessons learned. They return with memories they will carry with them for the rest of their lives.

Mr Acquah,
Head of PE



Whilst participating in DofE, I learnt many useful skills, not only how to navigate with a map and compass but also how to be self sufficient. It also improved my physical fitness, but more importantly, it was a lot of fun!

Harry,
Year 11 Student



Our girls' netball teams are outstanding, and remain undefeated so far. They are a credit to our college and our dedicated and talented PE staff.

Ryan Acquah,
Head of PE



Celebrating success

Great teachers are at the heart of student success. Everyday we recognise the skills and talents of our students and are delighted to see them flourish and achieve.

Both my son and daughter have enjoyed their time at the Bourne. The teachers have been particularly engaging, encouraging them to succeed. They have both felt confident to try new activities and have made strong friendship groups.

Parent of Mondo and Lola, Year 10 and 8 Students



We sent you a terribly shy boy who was often crippled by waves of anxiety and we now have a confident 16 year old son, ready to face the next stage - much of this is due to your kindness and care. Thank you everyone

Delighted Parents



The school play was hard work but so much fun and I have made many new friends in all Year groups. I love my netball team and we won the end of year tournament! Music is my favourite subject and I feel I have had the chance to really grow. The music tutors are fun and inspiring!

Lola, Year 8 Student



The Bourne has offered Jess many opportunities to gain confidence which has helped her flourish and achieve many life skills. She has thoroughly enjoyed the various clubs on offer and getting involved with the sporting activities. She has represented the school on many occasions whether it be sport, public speaking or fundraising.

Parent of Jess, Year 10 Student

My son Oscar is just finishing his first year at the Bourne, and although I was initially anxious for him taking the big step to secondary education, I should not have worried. Not only has he received fantastic support from his teachers and peers, but I have watched him grow in confidence and enthusiasm.

Parent of Oscar, Year 8 Student

Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths (STEAM)

Strength in the STEAM subjects is a fundamental foundation that will support our communities and our economy. The engineers at Stannah have greatly enjoyed working with the Greenpower racing car team at Bourne Community College. Through this we hope to develop a greater understanding of the opportunities and value of careers in Engineering and Manufacturing for both girls and boys. We congratulate Bourne Community College for their commitment to the development of the resources necessary to support education in the STEAM subjects.

**Alan Stannah (MBE)
Joint chairman, Stannah
Group of Companies**



Find out more

If you would like to find out more or arrange a visit, please contact:

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“ This is my first year at The Bourne and I think it is Joyous, welcoming and fun.

Vanita,
Year 8 student



We are delighted to have been awarded Gold Rights Respecting Schools status by UNICEF UK. The Rights Respecting Schools Award is granted to schools that show commitment to promoting and realising children's rights and encouraging adults, children and young people to respect the rights of others in school. The Gold Award is the highest accolade given to schools that demonstrate a deep commitment to promoting and realising children's rights at all levels of school life.



Our values reflect our Bourne Identity

Ofsted rating Good



Aiming High is our mantra and at the end of the summer term, we were delighted with an excellent set of exam results due to the dedication and hard work of all our students and staff.

In June 2016 Ofsted's commented on the positive ethos on which we pride ourselves at the Bourne Community College:



Staff at all levels care a great deal about student achievement and personal development so positive working relationships between staff and pupils are strong and help to keep pupils safe, develop their personal skills and promote good achievement.

What a great set of results again this summer, ones that you all must be truly proud of. Congratulations to all the students and to the staff who taught and supported them.

Colleen Jackson,
Chair of Curriculum
and Achievement Governors

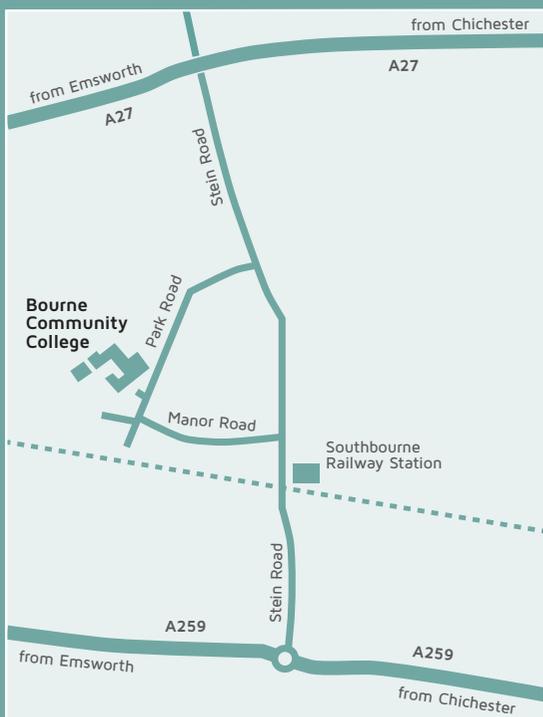


I am proud to be Chair of Governors of Bourne Community College which is renowned for its quality of education, pastoral care and friendliness. The Governing Body works with brilliant staff to deliver the mission and vision of Bourne as the secondary school of choice for its local community.

Shelagh Legrave, Chair of Governors

Our Partnerships





Our Mission:

- To ensure every student develops their potential to flourish and be successful
- To have high expectations of all staff and students
- To respect those in our community locally, nationally and internationally

Our Vision:

- To be an outstanding school and the Learning Hub for the locality

Our Core Values:

- Our values respect the charter of the UNICEF Rights of the Child and our Bourne Identity mirrors this. We gained GOLD status as a Rights Respecting School and are building on this great achievement.

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