

# MAGHULL HIGH SCHOOL



## Maghull High School Prospectus

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## Welcome to Maghull High School – a Southport Learning Trust school

### I am delighted to introduce you to Southport Learning Trust.

Southport Learning Trust is a multi-academy Trust formed in 2017 when Greenbank High School, the highest performing secondary school in Sefton, started to work closely in partnership with Stanley High School, primarily in supporting school leadership to improve the life chances for all students.

Recently Stanley High School achieved the Ofsted 'Good' grading following excellent results as a result of the high quality leadership, collaboration and determination that is fundamental to our family of Trust schools.

As a Trust with primary and secondary schools we aim to improve the life chances of all the students we teach and look forward to achieving excellent outcomes for the children of Maghull High School.

The school is a wonderful environment to start your secondary school journey being, calm, challenging and aspirational for all students. I hope you enjoy reading this prospectus and please visit the school and the Headteacher and her team to experience it for yourself.



**Ian Raikes**  
CEO - Southport Learning Trust



## Message from the Headteacher



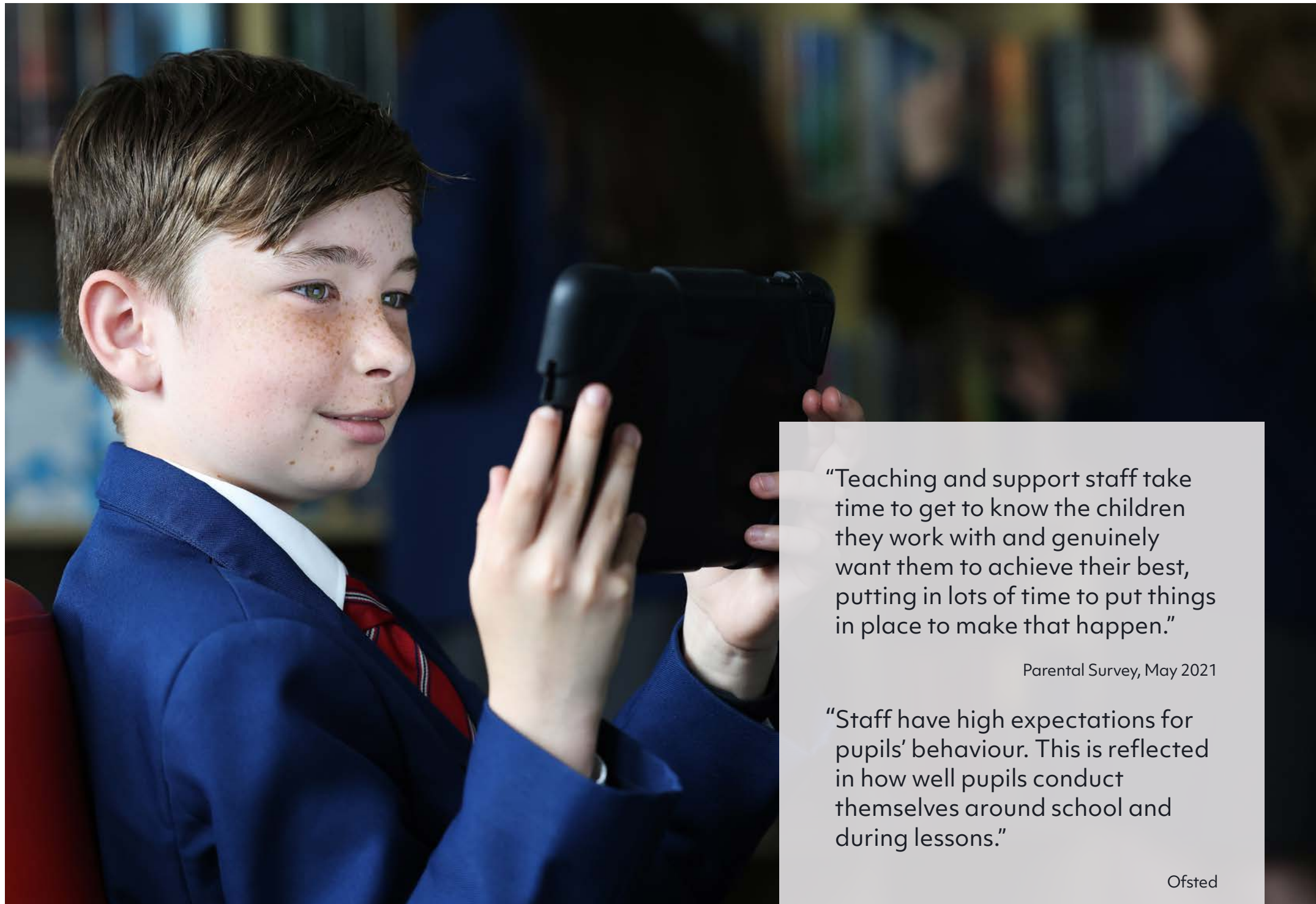
It is with great pleasure and pride that I welcome you to Maghull High School, part of the Southport Learning Trust family of schools. I strongly believe achievement and enjoyment go hand in hand to ensure each child makes excellent progress. High quality teaching and learning lies at the heart of daily life at our school. Our talented and committed staff are dedicated to ensuring that all students reach their full potential and develop into capable, caring and confident members of society. We strive to help all to achieve their very best. This commitment extends through a rich and rewarding curriculum and a wide range of vibrant cultural and extra-curricular experiences that enable students to succeed and develop employability skills for lifelong learning.

The care, guidance and support that we offer to all of our students in transition from primary school, throughout their seven years with us, and as they progress to university and careers is, we believe, second to none. Our positive and inclusive ethos rewards endeavour and enthusiasm, celebrates success and ensures that we all learn in a safe, calm, orderly and happy environment.

**Ms Davina Aspinall**  
Headteacher - Maghull High School

“It is clear to see what a fantastic staff team you have at Maghull High School and how well nurtured and supported students are in both their education and more importantly their wellbeing at the school.”





“Teaching and support staff take time to get to know the children they work with and genuinely want them to achieve their best, putting in lots of time to put things in place to make that happen.”

Parental Survey, May 2021

“Staff have high expectations for pupils’ behaviour. This is reflected in how well pupils conduct themselves around school and during lessons.”

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## An aspirational curriculum for all

Maghull High School provides an aspirational and broad and balanced curriculum which prepares students for life in modern Britain. We enable students to become responsible, resilient, respectful, tolerant and active citizens who contribute positively to society, appreciate diversity and uphold British values.

Our rich and rewarding curriculum is carefully designed to ensure that all students are actively engaged in their learning and flourish at Maghull High School. We offer a diverse range of learning experiences, ensuring students of all abilities are catered for. All subjects are important at Maghull High School, and we endeavour to ensure that students experience learning in the broadest range of subjects possible, for as long as possible, through a three-year key stage three. Students choose GCSE option subjects in year nine to specialise their studies from year ten and have the opportunity to continue their studies at A level in our Sixth Form College.

Through a wide range of vibrant cultural and extra-curricular experiences we raise students’ aspirations, broaden horizons and accelerate their learning to ensure that they are well prepared for their next steps, leading to successful improved life chances.

“I love this school, the staff and students alike. I would not be who I am today without them. With the support to question and conquer, learning leaves me determined to succeed.”

Megan, Year 9 Student







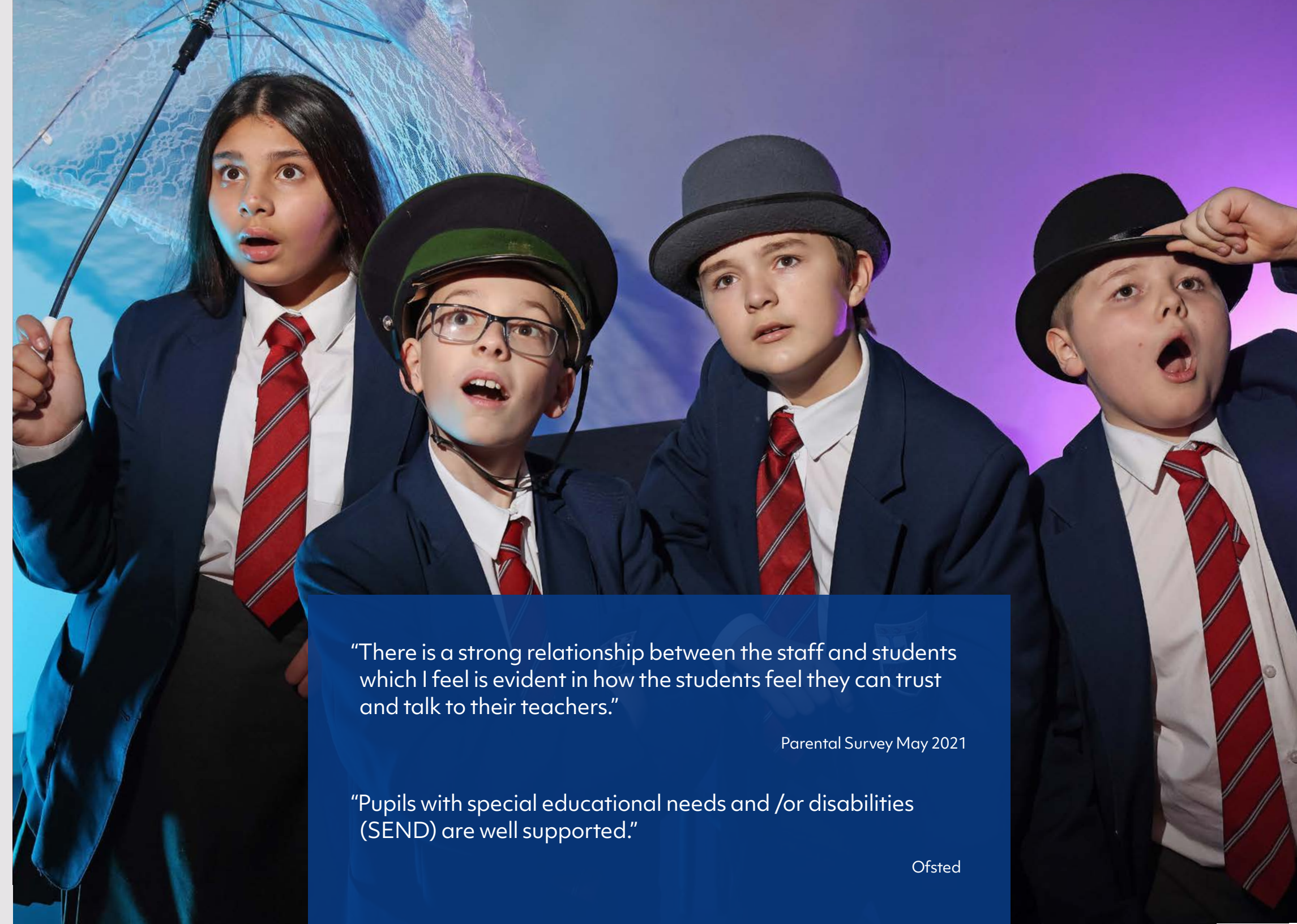
## Caring and nurturing pastoral support

We believe that by prioritising the wellbeing and happiness of students in our school, they are able to thrive and achieve their full potential in learning. We are renowned for the quality of our personalised pastoral care and continue to be committed to ensuring that our holistic approach supports every student. We aim to respond quickly and effectively to any concerns.

On joining Maghull High School, students are allocated to one of the tutor groups which are created through the transition work with our partner primary schools.

The form tutor is your first point of contact and is the key person who will ensure that your child settles in quickly, is cared for and is happy during their time with us. Each year group is led by a Head of Year, who monitors attendance and punctuality, academic progress, rewards and behaviour and offers guidance and support to students when needed. The Phoenix Centre, staffed by two full-time learning mentors, offers wider support for emotional wellbeing and leads more specialised support through external agencies such as school health and our school counsellor.

Our Inclusive Support Team, led by our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, offers a range of support to those students with additional learning needs. Students with specified needs are allocated key workers who liaise with wider staff and parents to ensure that students are well supported.



“There is a strong relationship between the staff and students which I feel is evident in how the students feel they can trust and talk to their teachers.”

Parental Survey May 2021

“Pupils with special educational needs and /or disabilities (SEND) are well supported.”

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"If my daughter was not happy in school, then she wouldn't want to go. They have fabulous staff who are ready to listen to any problems and willing to help as much as they possibly can."

Parental Survey May 2021

"The school communications are good and always encourage feedback and input from parents and children."

Parental Survey May 2021



## Enhancing learning

Students at Maghull High School are given a wide range of inspirational extra-curricular and enrichment activities outside the classroom to support their personal development and enhance learning opportunities.

As a Specialist Academy for Performing Arts, we provide many opportunities throughout the year in dance, drama and music. We have a fine tradition of outstanding school productions, dance shows and music concerts. We also offer chances for students to perform outside of school, in a variety of different settings.

The school has an excellent record of team sports and we have won several football trophies in recent times. We have also had numerous champions in other sporting arenas such as tennis, athletics and golf. Our students have had success in art, writing and engineering competitions and we have worked with the Anne Frank Trust for a number of years. We encourage all children to take part, lead active and healthy lifestyles, and strive to be participants and winners.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is highly popular and is offered to all year nine students at Bronze Award level and to students who wish to pursue their award in year ten. By taking children out of school on well-focused and well-planned school visits, we can truly enhance their learning inside the classroom. During recent years, we have visited a range of local, national and international destinations, including South Africa, France, Spain, Holland, Iceland and China.

Working with others in the community can take many forms and can be incredibly rewarding and valuable for every child who joins in. We like to encourage our students to take part in charity work, fundraising initiatives and other community-based activities, in preparation for their future as active and responsible citizens.





## Preparing for the future

Maghull High School is committed to offering students the opportunity to develop their own leadership abilities. Our student leadership programme supports students in developing skills that they can apply both inside and outside of education. Led by our Head Boy and Head Girl, the prefects and student council representatives are instrumental in ensuring an active student voice within the school that has real impact. Outside of this programme there are other opportunities for students, for example, as literacy champions, peer mentors, digital champions and sports leaders, among others.

Our comprehensive careers advice, information, education and guidance programme starts in year seven and affords students many opportunities to meet employers and visit workplaces, colleges and universities. By the end of year eleven or thirteen, students are confidently well prepared to access sixth form, college, university, apprenticeships or employment.



“From day one to now, seven years later, your staff have been there to help and go the extra mile.”

Parental Survey May 2021

“Students are well prepared for their next steps.”

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