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11-16 School

The University of Birmingham School will be a mixed ability, co-educational, state school, admitting pupils regardless of religious affiliation, ability or disability, or social and financial background. There will be no entrance exams for admission to Year 7, and our aspiration is to serve pupils from across Birmingham. Learn more about our **admissions policy (/university/university-school/admissions.aspx)** .

The curriculum will focus on academic achievement. Pupils will be required to study a broad range of academic subjects, including in most instances the full range of sciences and a language at GCSE. There will be a high standard of teaching and facilities throughout, with a particular focus on ensuring excellence in science and mathematics. Teachers will be of the highest calibre, with significant experience in the classroom and with Master's degrees or higher qualifications. The teachers will be skilled as leaders, mentors and trainers.

Our focus will be on personal growth, with strong discipline, an emphasis on character-building and outstanding support for each pupil as an individual. Character Education will be embedded in the curriculum and approach. A range of extra-curricular activities, including sports, will be provided. Pupils will have access to some of the facilities and resources of the University of Birmingham to support and facilitate their learning. The School will have an international dimension. Addressing Special Educational Needs will be part of our offer.

The School will offer a broad curriculum, including Sciences, Technology, English, Maths, Humanities (including History and Geography), Creative and Performing Arts, Sport and Foreign Languages.

The curriculum at Key Stage 3 (Years 7 and 8, for ages 11–13) will aim to give each pupil the support they need to achieve their maximum potential, ensuring all pupils receive the broad academic foundation that will encourage success in many careers.

At Key Stage 4 (Years 9, 10 and 11, ages 13 to 16) the School will offer a curriculum based on core subjects that will provide a basis for various routes in life. At this stage of learning, it is important that pupils keep their options as wide as possible. The School will provide excellent teaching across the curriculum in Science, Technology, English, Maths, Humanities (including History and Geography) and maintain an emphasis on Foreign Languages and the Arts. The majority of pupils will take three science subjects and a foreign language at GCSE.

Pupils already enrolled in the University School will have priority for places in the University Sixth Form, providing they reach the required levels of academic achievement at GCSE.

We would like to hear your views on our proposals. Please visit the '**Contact Us' (/university/university-school/contact.aspx)** page where you learn about how to share your views and also how to register to be kept updated as plans for the School progress.

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