



Prospectus

2026/2027

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Welcome to our School



It is a privilege to be Headteacher at Crestwood School and I am delighted that you are considering joining us.

Whilst academic success is my number one priority, ensuring your child is a caring, well-rounded and responsible citizen is of equal importance. We aim for your child to become a resilient, confident and articulate young person that is prepared for the fast paced and exciting modern Britain we live in today.

Through our core values of 'Respect, Resilience and Relationships', your child will achieve ambitious goals in a supportive, positive and inclusive environment. Our expectations and standards are high. As a result, your child will be stretched in their learning to ensure they achieve the very best qualifications. They will be supported by our hard-working staff team, who go above and beyond so your child will be happy, safe and successful during their time at Crestwood.

We have a vibrant curriculum with access to a wide range of opportunities that allows all students, regardless of their ability, to fulfil their potential. We want your child to be inspired, to develop an enquiring mind and to have a love of learning.

It is important to us that students at Crestwood feel valued and know they can

make a difference. An extensive extra-curricular programme alongside opportunities for leadership and personal development exposes students to experiences that will enrich their lives. Our aim is to find and nurture your child's talents and for them to have memories of school that they will keep into adulthood.

'Community' is central to everything we do at Crestwood. To enable your child to thrive we recognise the importance of working alongside parents, community and local primary schools. We will make sure that you are kept up to date with everything you need to know about your child's learning, progress and well-being.

You will be joining Crestwood at a very exciting time. We have developed our school buildings to include state of the art ICT facilities and modern Science labs as well as 4g sports pitches and swimming pool.

I hope this prospectus gives you a flavour of what to expect but please come and visit us in person to find out more. Our students are proud of their school and would love to show you around.

Mr Sutton
Headteacher

Crestwood School GCSE Results

Crestwood are delighted to celebrate the success of this year's results. We are pleased to announce that our year 11 cohort have achieved some fantastic grades.

A huge thank you to everyone in the Crestwood Community - families and staff alike - for the incredible support you've given the Class of 2025. This cohort began their secondary education during the middle of the COVID pandemic, and their incredible resilience has led to some excellent results.

Special congratulations go to Amanda, who achieved seven top grades of either an 8 or 9. Aleena Ahmed for achieving nine grades at a 7, 8 or 9, and our Head Boy Harry White for gaining nine grade 7 and 8's.

We're so proud of the hard work and effort the students have put in. Their dedication has been recognised with some outstanding performances and we wish all our students the very best of luck in the next step of their educational journey.

Joining our School

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We work hard to ensure a smooth transition from primary school. This includes visits to every primary school by a member of staff and induction days in July when children meet up with others in their form group, meet their new form tutor and experience some taster lessons.

During Year 5 and Year 6 many children will already have visited Crestwood for taster lessons, use of the swimming pool and other special events. Children hear more about their new school and ask any questions they have during these visits. They get to meet "Buddies" who are attached to their form group to support them during the first few days and weeks at Crestwood. We talk to Year 6 teachers to get as much information as possible to help us place the children into well balanced form groups which give every child the opportunity to make new friends and have a fresh start in a new and different environment.

Induction Evening, held on the night before the first Induction Day, gives parents and children the opportunity to meet our Headteacher, Phillip Sutton, senior staff, their Head of Year and most importantly their form tutor. During this evening further information is provided about the new term and any last minute worries and concerns can be addressed. The experience of moving from primary to secondary school is unique for each child but whether your child joins us knowing others from primary school, or comes to us on their own, within a week or so most will have become settled and confident, allowing them to make the most of the opportunities we have to offer.

The transition from primary school is a major event in the life of any child and it is only natural that they will experience a mixture of emotions. Sometimes parents can feel these emotions more acutely than their children, but with staff, Buddies and Ambassadors on hand ready to help, we feel that whatever the difficulty, we have someone who is ready and willing to help establish a secure foundation for your child's future happiness, security and achievements.

If you have any questions or queries please contact Mr S Naujeer, Assistant Headteacher: snaujeer@crestwood-s.dudley.sch.uk



Crestwood *Curriculum*



Putting in place the appropriate curriculum for each child is vital if they are to achieve their best. The curriculum at Crestwood is recognised by Ofsted as being broad and balanced and focuses on those subjects that we believe are most important.

KEY STAGE 3:

Years 7 & 8

In Years 7 and 8 students spend a significant amount of time studying English and Mathematics alongside a wide range of other subjects. We believe that these subjects are vital in developing skills needed in other subjects and for life outside and beyond school. On entering the school students are taught in a mixture of form groups or sets. Core subjects such as Mathematics, English and Science have learning sets in Year 7 and teaching by ability increases so that students are placed in groups that match their learning needs.

During Years 7 - 8 students study the subjects to the right:

ENGLISH	GEOGRAPHY	ICT
MATHEMATICS	RELIGIOUS STUDIES	FASHION & TEXTILES
SCIENCE	ART	RESISTANT MATERIALS
MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES	MUSIC	PRODUCT DESIGN
HISTORY	DRAMA	FOOD & NUTRITION
PHYSICAL EDUCATION & GAMES	PSHE	COMPUTING



Year 9

With the demands of a new exams system and changing curricula, Year 9 is an increasingly important year for students. Our year 9 curriculum is designed to maximise opportunities for our students

During the Spring Term, parents and students work with staff to make the choice of subjects that will be followed during Years 10 and 11 at Key Stage 4.

Department presentations for each subject can be found on the school website in the Year 9 curriculum section.

GEOGRAPHY	PHYSICAL EDUCATION	DANCE
HISTORY	LEISURE AND TOURISM	DRAMA
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY	ART & DESIGN
BUSINESS STUDIES	FOOD & NUTRITION	COMPUTING
MUSIC	iMEDIA	SOCIOLOGY
PHOTOGRAPHY	ENGINEERING DESIGN	COMPUTER SCIENCE
CHILD DEVELOPMENT		



KEY STAGE 4:

Years 10 & 11

Every year we review the curriculum we offer to our students as they move into their final two years at Crestwood. We do this to make sure we offer each student the greatest opportunity to achieve.

All students study a core of English, Mathematics and Science. These subjects form the basis of the curriculum. Most of our students are expected to continue studying one of either a Modern Foreign Language, History, Geography or Computer Science.

In addition to these, our students have the opportunity to select from a wide range of GCSE and vocational subjects.

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Invictus Education Trust was created in March 2015 by a group of like-minded schools: Crestwood, Ellowes Hall Sports College, Kinver High and Wombourne High School. Two schools have since joined us, Leasowes High School in Autumn 2016 and Pedmore High School in September 2018. Rufford Primary School became the first primary school to join us in September 2021 further strengthening an already thriving Trust.

Invictus Education Trust is proud to be a leading educational institution that is dedicated to providing our pupils with an exceptional education, unique opportunities and elite experiences. With a focus on academic excellence, holistic development and a passion for unlocking our students' limitless potential, we stand at the forefront of educational innovation.

Through our commitment to personalised learning, a wide array of enriching experiences, Invictus Education Trust offers a transformative educational journey that puts our pupils at the heart of everything we do. The list is endless.

Academically, our teachers are supported by a team of subject directors who have proved themselves to be at the forefront of their professions with a history of improving student outcomes. Our Headteachers, and their teams, focus relentlessly on teaching and learning, ensuring students are challenged to achieve their very best. Our pastoral teams work hard to ensure young people are cared for, focusing on their emotional and physical welfare, allowing them to integrate fully in school life.

We believe that everyone involved in our schools should be well supported in an inclusive, supportive environment. Personal development is a strength in all our schools.

We do our utmost to prepare our young people for life outside and beyond school. There are many different leadership opportunities across our schools. These include Head Students, Prefects, subject Ambassadors and Librarians. The range of enrichment activities across the Trust is varied.

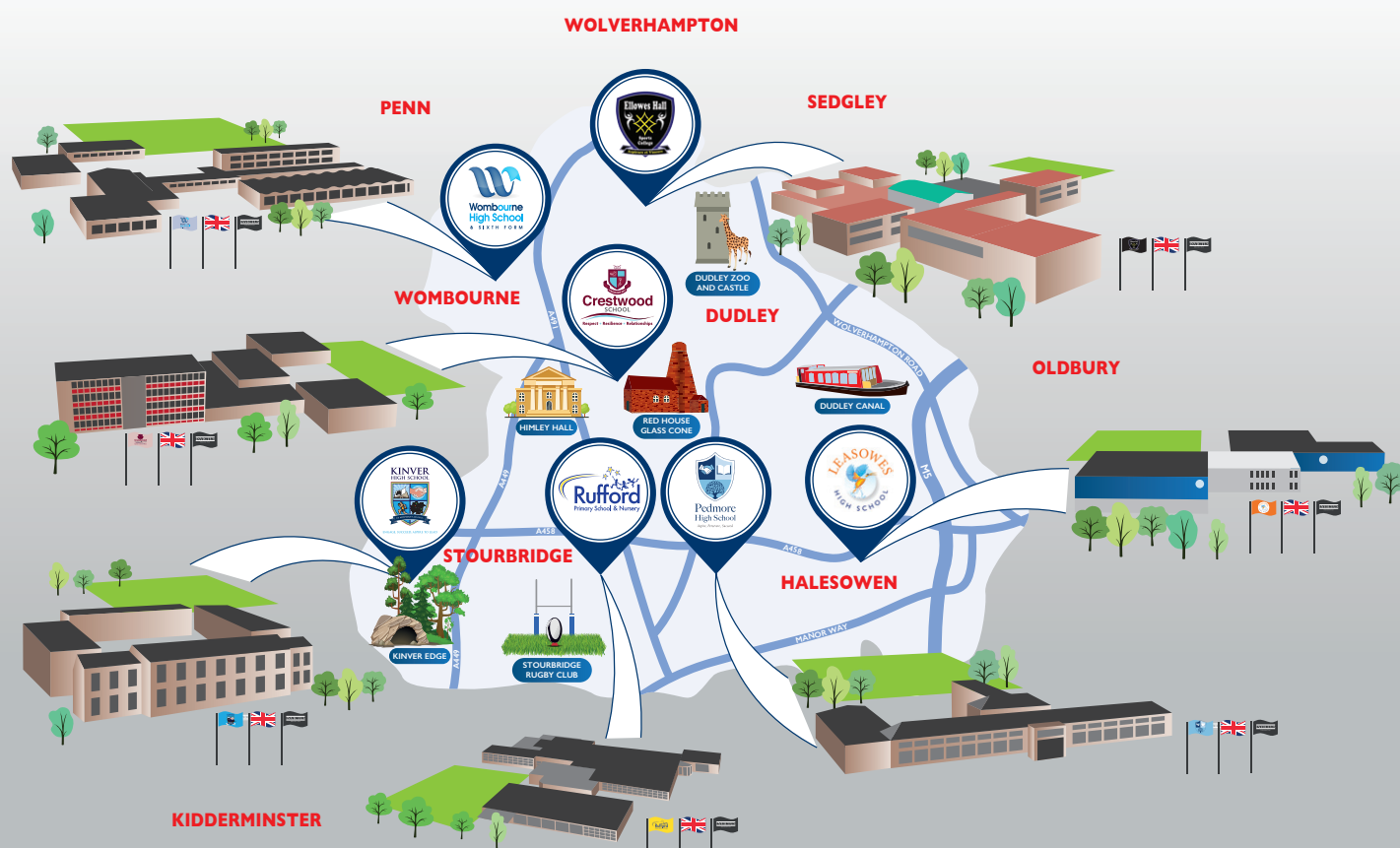
ENCOURAGING

We offer extra curricular opportunities which reflect pupils' interests whilst encouraging them to try activities that they may not have experienced or even thought they could do at school.

WE ARE



OUR SCHOOLS



Our Invictus values always place our students at the heart of everything we do

Every great story begins here!

Outstanding inclusion,
care and well-being
where all can thrive
and flourish

MISSION

'Excellence everyday,
unlimited ambition and
transforming lives'

Excellent teaching and
learning where we have
knowledge-rich staff
within their area of
expertise

VISION

'To create a community of inclusive
schools where people choose
to learn with us, work with
us and belong with us,
so that everyone
succeeds.'

Ambitious careers and
enrichment provision
give meaning and
purpose to education

VALUES

Respect
Resilience
Relationships

Our schools sit at
the heart of our
communities

Sports at Crestwood

Sport in all forms is incredibly popular and successful at Crestwood and we are extremely fortunate in having our own swimming pool and 4G pitch and playing fields. Whatever their level of ability students are encouraged to participate both competitively and socially.

As well as traditional sports including hockey, rugby, football, cricket, netball, rounders, softball and basketball, students are provided with increasing opportunities to add to their experiences with new activities. Numerous clubs complement the core provision and these allow students to take part in an even wider range of activities. They become more proficient and skilled by receiving extra coaching and learn to become umpires, referees and coaches themselves. Students are encouraged to develop their performance to the highest level and many go on to achieve Borough, County and even National status. Year 10/11 students have the opportunity to gain a Cambridge National Sport qualification and Year 10 students can begin to work towards the Crestwood Junior Sports Leader Award. This supports students in developing leadership and coaching skills across a range of sports and activities. We stick to our statement of intent, using this as a tool to develop students' skill and knowledge.

PE DEPARTMENT STATEMENT OF CURRICULUM INTENT

In PE our intent is to develop a curriculum in which students are able to engage with a multitude of sports in varying capacities and roles so that they are able to recognise how sport can have a positive impact on people's health, and its use for good.

PE DEPARTMENT CORE STANDARDS

- Access for everyone
- The ability to showing willingness to progress abilities and engage
- Promote a love of SPORT
- Develop student's knowledge of skills, tactics and roles in each sport
- Cross curriculum links explored and developed
- Enhance social and emotional intelligence
- Develop a thirst for SPORT/FITNESS that last beyond Crestwood
- Participate in a variety of sporting situations so that students enjoy PE

All of the lessons and team activities are complimented by our truly outstanding facilities which comprise of:

- State of the art floodlit 4G pitch

- 12 acre sports field, home to our football and rugby pitches
- 3 outdoor tennis courts
- Fully equipped sports centre
- Refurbished gymnasium
- Refurbished swimming pool
- 4 indoor cricket nets
- 2 trampolines
- 15 outdoor and 4 indoor table tennis tables



Olympian Programme

Our Olympian Programme allows us to offer spaces to students that aren't in our catchment area based on their sporting aptitude.

If your child is currently in year 6 you can apply for a place at Crestwood School on our Olympian Programme. Applicants will be invited to a Talent Identification Day held at the school in the Autumn Term of 2024. Students with the highest scores will be assured of their space at Crestwood School and form our Olympian Team. The Olympian Programme will not affect our local catchment area students, we will be accepting 5% above and beyond our regular spaces for students with high sporting aptitude. Application packs and more information will be available at our Open Evening in September 2025.

Spread the word, we are serious about sport...

Performing Arts

Powerhouse

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We are now accepting applications for our performing arts programme. 5% of our intake is available to the most talented singers, actors and dancers, regardless of where you live!

Information available at our Open Evening

Upon applying for a place at Crestwood School, students now have the opportunity to become part of the Performing Arts Programme (via aptitude test), a specialist programme of activities designed to push our students' talents to their maximum potential. Students can specialise in Music Vocals, Music Instrumental, Drama or Dance. Students with the highest scores will be guaranteed their place on the Performing Arts Programme, and they will become our Performing Ambassadors. Students on the Performing Arts Programme represent us throughout the year in all performances, both inside and outside of the school, in the local community at festivals, celebrations and competitions.

Unique Opportunities & *Elite Experiences*

Enrichment Opportunities

We are proud of the range of exciting and challenging opportunities we offer to students. Whatever their interest, ability or talent students will find something they will want to be involved in.

Activities range from clubs in Art, Music, Drama, Film, Textiles and Information Technology to The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme where students develop their expedition skills and contribute to the local community. Student Leadership Accreditation offers many opportunities. We have biennial ski

trips to Europe and have had trips to Iceland, France, Germany and even in the USA. We also provide many educational trips throughout the year. There are fun reward trips and activities every term. There are many additional opportunities to take part in a full and varied programme of clubs and activities as well as a range of study support and homework clubs. We also host special events throughout the year and a range of musical events which are enjoyed by parents and students alike.

We have our very own cadet detachment with over 40 students. New recruits are able to enrol at the beginning of each year.





