



 **ERDINGTON**
ACADEMY

OPEN EVENING 2020

WELCOME TO ERDINGTON ACADEMY MR SIMON MALLET | HEAD OF ACADEMY

A warm welcome to Erdington Academy. Erdington Academy has a rich history rooted in the community it serves and has an ambition to become one of the leading schools in the West Midlands, indeed the country. Erdington Academy is a member of the Fairfax Multi Academy Trust, a successful network of schools who share the same values and aspirations.



The school is a tolerant community that welcomes all and celebrates diversity. We believe that every child can achieve their potential and we work hard to ensure that all our students will strive to be the best they can be. We believe a calm, ordered atmosphere is essential to learning and success.

At Erdington Academy our aim is to prepare all our students to contribute positively as citizens when they leave school. We want to develop their skills and competencies so they can succeed in the dynamic 21st Century workplace. We have close links with local universities and businesses. Students benefit from an extensive programme of trips and visits from guest speakers.

As a result of these aspirations, our curriculum has an academic focus. All students' skills and students are taught how to develop their confidence as readers, writers, speakers and listeners from the moment they join the school. Erdington Academy students are valued by employers because we foster resilience and confidence; we want our graduates to be successful not just in the results they will gain, but in how they present themselves and engage with others. In short, we provide students with the "edge" to be successful, The Erdington Edge.

CURRICULUM

At Key Stage 3 (Years 7 - 8), students will study the following subjects:

- English and Mathematics
- Science (a combination of Biology, Chemistry and Physics)
- History, Geography and Religious Education
- Modern Foreign Languages
- Art, Music Drama, and Physical Education
- Business and Computing
- Design Technology, Food and Nutrition and Textiles



WELCOME TO ERDINGTON ACADEMY COVID ADJUSTMENTS

POSITIVE CONDUCT
FOLLOW THESE EXPECTATIONS AT ALL TIMES
TO STAY SAFE AND PROTECT YOURSELVES AND OTHERS

1 SHOW RESPECT
Respect staff, follow instructions. Respect fellow students and their right to learn and stay safe. Respect the school and keep it clean and safe.

2 KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE
Maintain a **2 metre distance** from others at all times.

3 BE AWARE
Avoid groups at all times, inside or outside the school and before, during or after school. Do not gather in groups.

4 PUNCTUALITY
Arrive to school on time when you are asked to. Enter through the front gate.

5 HAND WASHING
When you enter the school or the classroom wash your hands.

6 SOCIAL DISTANCING
Follow social distancing in the classroom.

7 HYGIENE
If you need to cough or sneeze do it safely. Catch it, bin it, kill it.

8 EQUIPMENT
Only bring with you a pen, pencil, ruler, a healthy snack and a bottle of water (hard refillable bottles).

9 UNIFORM
Wear all uniform except the blazer. Please ensure that all uniform is washed between the days that you attend school. Leave your school bag at home. Bring your snack and water in a plastic bag.

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FAIRFAX MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST

We have changed our daily operating procedures in line with government guidance to ensure our students are kept as safe and possible. Each change has been made in line with the guidance as it changes. Therefore, this means that current working is as follows:

- Face coverings are worn at all times, outside of lessons
- Hand sanitiser is provided for every building and classroom entry/exit
- All year groups are within 'bubbles', this means that they stay within their year group and do not mix with others
- Times of the day have been staggered between year groups with different entrance/exits points to ensure a reduction of flow at key points of the school day
- Each year group has an area where their lessons will be taught within the same classrooms each day
- Development of our curricular has enhanced the offer to our students

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

At Erdington Academy we support a high number of students with SEND with a range of needs. Each student is allocated a 'key worker' whom will be their key point of contact throughout their time here. Students have a passport which is written in partnership between the student, parent/carer and 'key worker', this is then shared with staff so they are clear on the reasonable adjustments in place to support each child. In addition to this, students will have termly targets set through a learning plan which are reviewed each term with each student and parent/carer.

Should you have any queries in relation to students with SEND, please contact the SENDCo through Main Reception who can discuss with you the provisions we have in school and how we can support your child.



CHARACTER EDUCATION

We believe that every student is entitled to an educational experience that equips them with the tools and experiences to flourish in society. The academic year is punctuated with exciting extra-curricular activities and opportunities, these include, Culture Fest, Film Nights; Charities Week, Erdington's Got Talent, Futures week and many more. Enrichment days provide students with additional opportunities to visit historical and cultural places of interest and residential opportunities enable students to develop key skills for life.



HOW WE CARE FOR OUR STUDENTS AT ERDINGTON ACADEMY

The welfare of our students at Erdington Academy is a primary focus. We understand that in order for our students to maximise their academic potential they must be feel safe and valued.

Upon entering Erdington Academy your son/daughter will be become an integral member of a house: Arden, Dean, Mercia or Sherwood . Each house is led by a non-teaching House Manager, who will ensure your son / daughter is safe, happy and working hard!

The mixed age vertical tutor groups create a real "family" atmosphere in the school, as students get the chance to mix with students of all ages in a safe, controlled environment. Together your child's form Tutor, House Manager and a link Senior Leader will be the constants that enable your child to approach new ways of doing things confidently and successfully.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ERDINGTON ACADEMY

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www.erdingtonacademy.bham.sch.uk

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