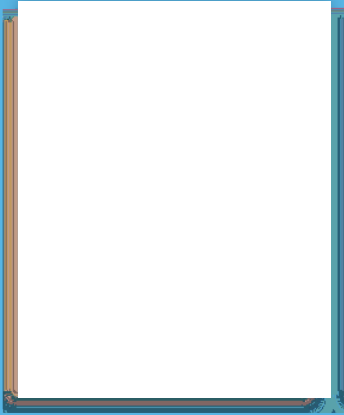




WELCOME FROM THE CEO



We are delighted that you are considering sending your child to Erdington Academy. Erdington is one of a family of four academies that form the

Excellence - We strive for the highest quality to ensure excellent outcomes and personal achievements.

Dedication - We believe there is dignity in hard work and effort.

Ambition - We aim to be the best that we can be, in all that we do.

Integrity - We believe in openness, honesty and have a real sense of moral purpose.

Tradition - We believe in good manners, kindness and respect.

Welcome to Erdington Academy



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Thank you for your interest in 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. We are proud to be on our way with this journey, with strong outcomes in August 2023 and a 'good in all areas' Ofsted in April 2023.

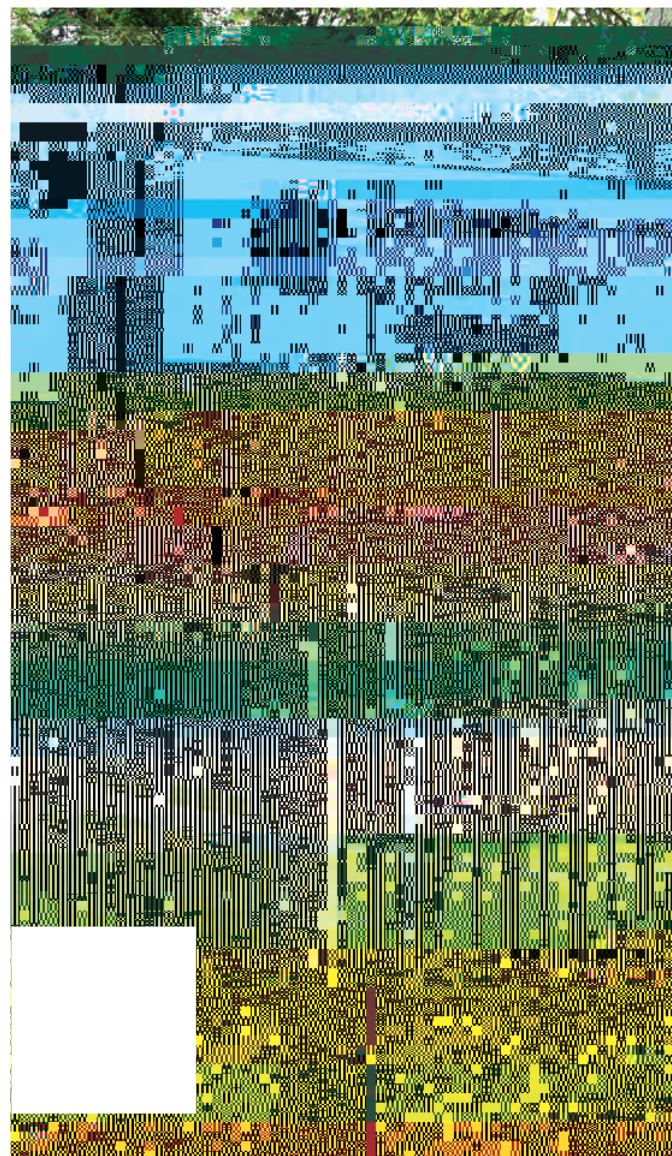
The school is a vibrant community that welcomes and celebrates diversity. We believe that every child can achieve their potential and we work hard to ensure that all our students will strive to be the best they can be. We believe that a calm, purposeful atmosphere is essential to learning and success. At Erdington Academy, we are committed to high standards of presentation, behaviour and achievement. A calm purposeful environment is the key to successful learning and achievement.

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, colleges and businesses and students benefit from an extensive programme of trips and visits, and visiting speakers.

We are unashamedly ambitious. The majority of our students will be aiming to enter university or competitive apprenticeships and they will need the highest grades possible to achieve their goals.

As a result of these aspirations, our curriculum has an academic focus. All students are taught to master the skills of reading, writing, communication and mathematics 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.

Erdington Academy has become part of the Fairfax Multi Academy Trust. It is an exciting time for the school as we move forward on our journey as a family of schools with a shared vision.



How do we support our children ?

Our dedicated teachers go the 'extra mile' because we are relentless in making a life changing difference for all



Curriculum

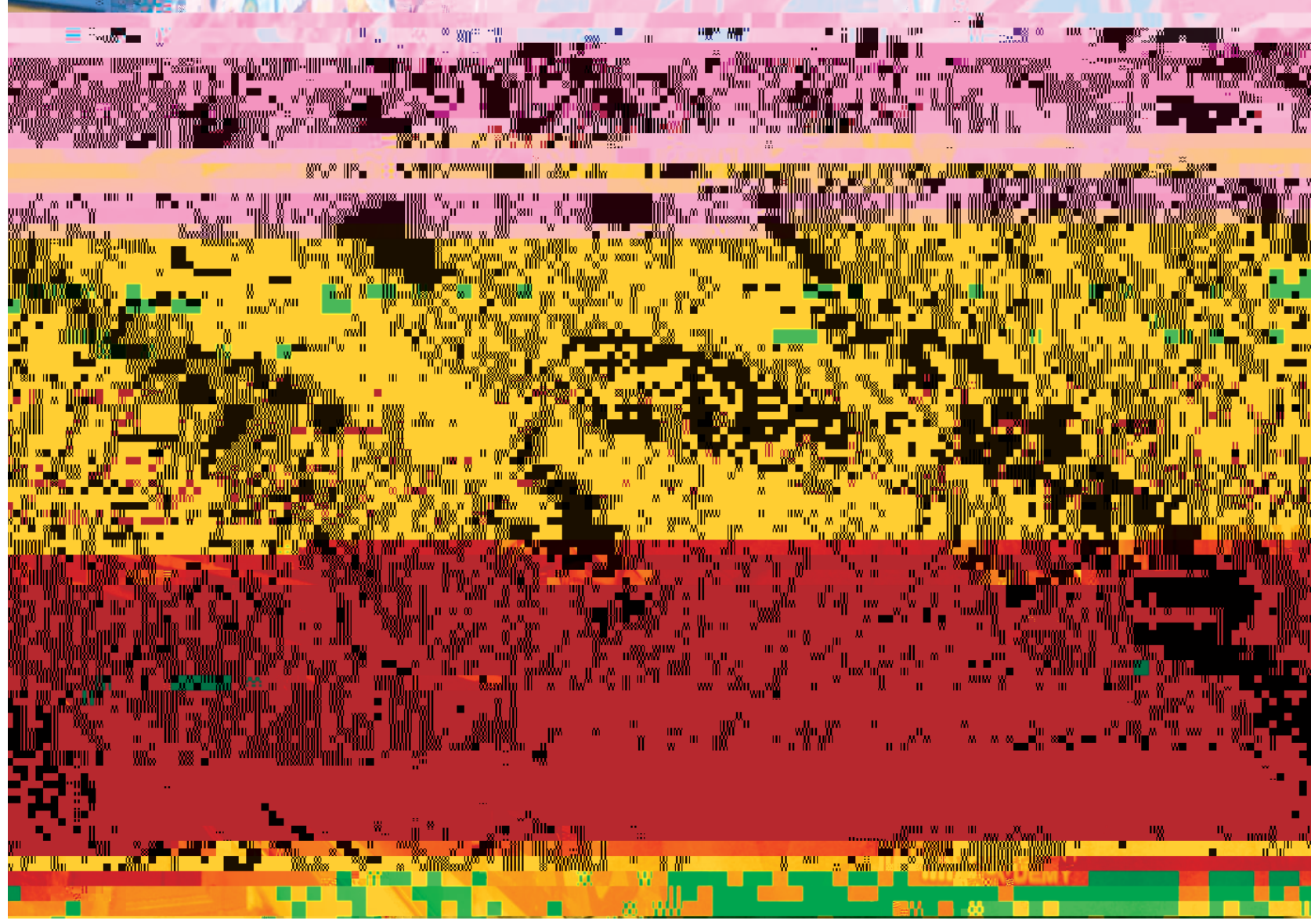
At **Key Stage 3** (Years 7 - 8), students will study the following subjects:

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

Our Facilities

Erdington Academy is blessed with a wide range of facilities to support the learning of our children. Our staff take great pride in their classrooms, ensuring the learning environment is stimulating and reflects the standards of work we expect. We have several computer suites around the school as well as Interactive white boards in every classroom. Six science laboratories, purpose build art and design studios, performance studio and two 4G Astro turf pitches which are the envy of Birmingham.

Erdington Academy is home to a leisure centre that is used by many external groups on evenings and weekend, including; Martial Arts, Slimmers World, Dance, Zumba and Football.







SEND / EAL

We are made up of a team of a SENCo, TAs, HLTAs and EAL specialists, all highly skilled, who provide in class support to ensure all SEND and EAL students can access a full curriculum. Where a phonics, spelling, numeracy or reading intervention is needed we deliver that over a period of 6-10 weeks to ensure students can make progress across subjects. When there is in class support, we have a scaffolded approach to ensure that all students work towards self-scaffolded learning and that over time are more empowered and not reliant on additional support. The TAs and HLTAs in the room may well take the class to enable the teacher to provide those students who are struggling with high quality knowledge input. We adapt our lessons to meet the needs of all students. We work with outside agencies for those students who need a greater level of support and may find themselves on a EHCP pathway for example.

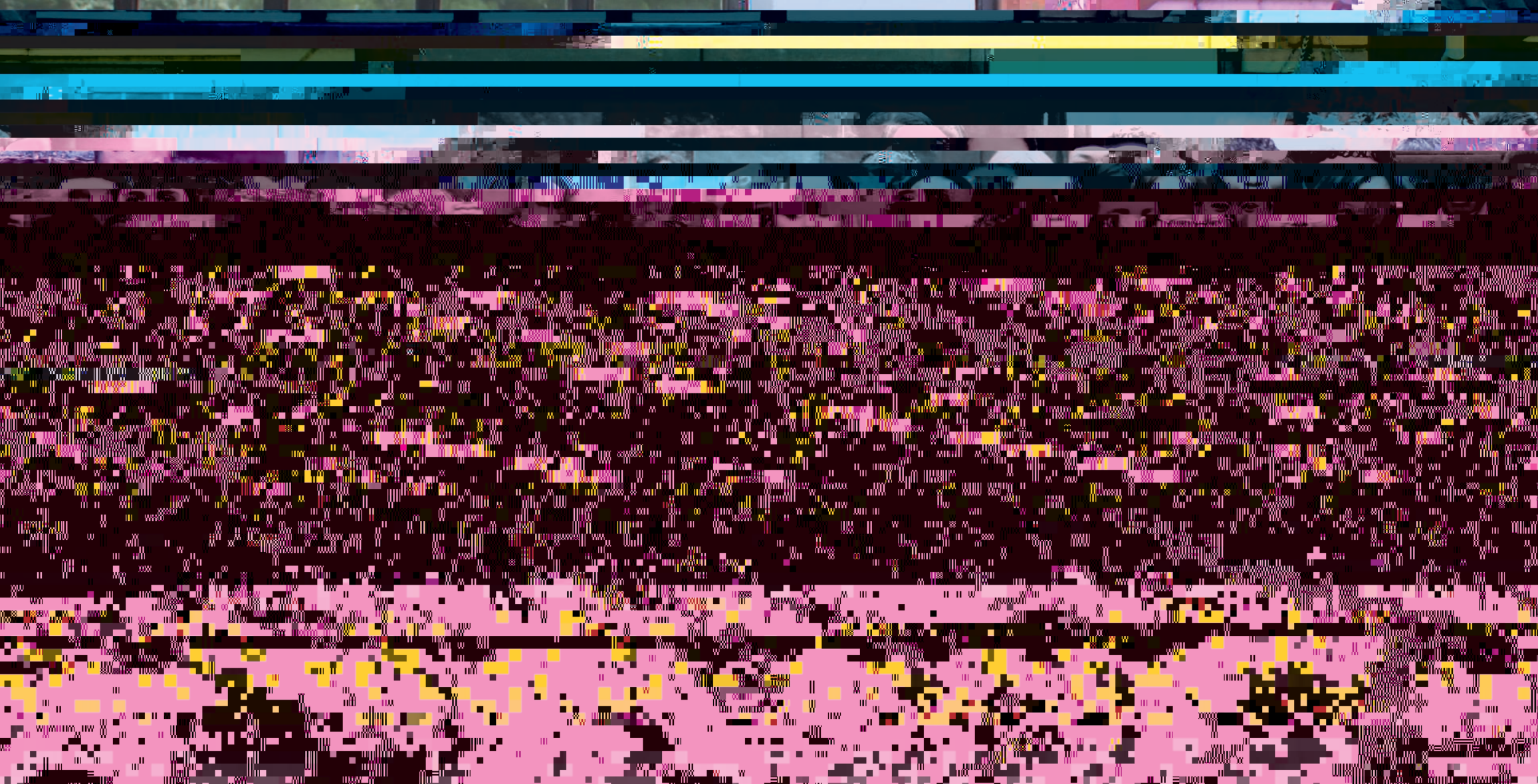




Challenge

We want the very best for our students. We want students to love learning and be stimulated by the lessons they receive and to develop intellectually. In lessons teachers consistently set high expectations and deploy strategies to stretch and challenge our students. In addition we encourage scholastic excellence through exposure from Year 7 to University life including Oxbridge.

We are proud of our heritage and our achievements.



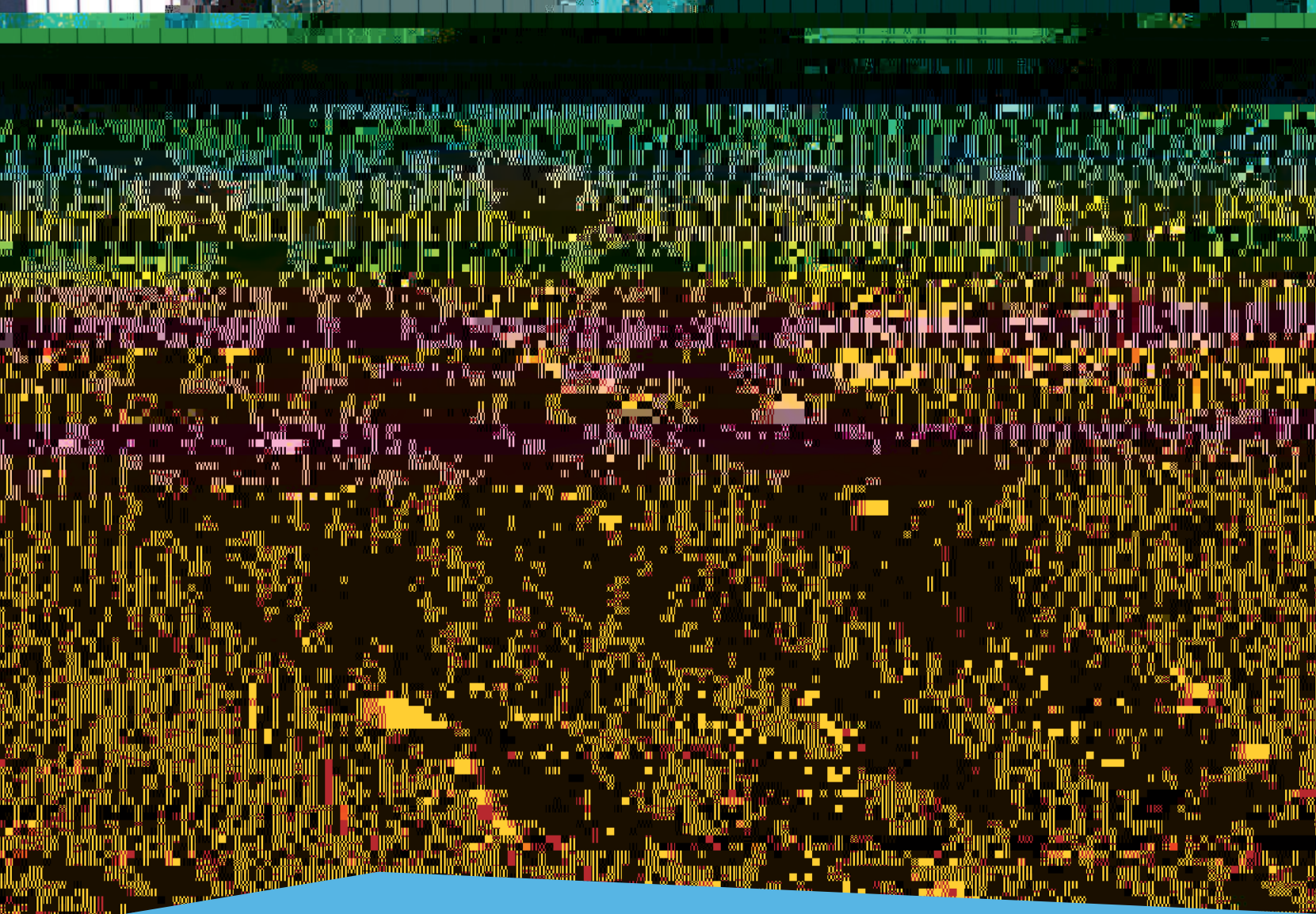
Welfare

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 and 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.





Behaviour

We believe that good behaviour provides the best environment for all children to learn and make progress. We place great emphasis on developing a calm and respectful environment for all those at Erdington Academy. Routines and clear expectations are key to good behaviours. We promote self-discipline as an essential part of the learning process. Our mantra 'First time everytime' is a central part of the approach we take to behaviour at Erdington Academy. We expect every child to respond to our request straight way without question or challenge. We ensure all children understand that there is a consequence to their actions; rewards for hard work, excellent work and making a positive contribution to the school, and sanctions when children make poor choices, or breach the rules we have in place. We have a procedure of giving immediate detentions at the end of the day for such situations and we expect all of our Parents and Carers to support this. We have a policy of no mobile phones at Erdington Academy for the safety and security of every child and staff. There is overwhelming research evidence to suggest mobile phones have a detrimental impact on learning too.

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Personal Development

Students at Erdington Academy are encouraged to participate and take an active role in all aspects of school life. All students are given the opportunity to express their views on school issues through the house council. In addition all students are encouraged to take leadership responsibility in class, through vertical mentoring and through the student leadership team.

All students who attend Erdington Academy are supported to ensure they are able to make informed decisions about the pathways which are suited to their individual gifts and talents. All students receive one-to-one independent careers information and guidance. Students are encouraged to move to a multi range of destinations including, but not exclusively, school sixth form, education apprenticeships and further education colleges.



Admissions

Applications for a place at Erdington Academy school are made through Birmingham Local Authority 'Preference Form.' For further information please consult the Local Authority admissions booklet or visit www.birmingham.gov.uk Tel 0121 675 055 or email: admissions@birmingham.gov.uk

Children are admitted to schools in accordance with parental preference as far as possible. However, when a school receives more applications than it has places available, oversubscription criteria are used to decide who will be offered a place, and the ranking of the waiting list. These criteria are also referred to as 'admissions criteria.'

Please note the above information relates to year 7 admissions, if you are interested in joining Erdington Academy at this exciting time in another year group, please make





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