



### Kirkbie Kendal School



### Welcome to Kirkbie Kendal School

Kirkbie Kendal School is a place where students and staff are happy to learn and work. Our school has a long and proud history and a strong ethos underpinned by our shared values of:

- Care
- Hard work
- Resilience
- Curiosity

**Care** – Our students look after each other and our environment, celebrate diversity, are polite, courteous and considerate so that our school is friendly and welcoming. They are generous in spirit and actively look for opportunities to give back to school and wider society.

**Hard work** – Our students and staff are aspirational and know that most things worth achieving in life take hard work and that success involves good working habits.

**Resilience** – Our students are ready to make the most of opportunities that come their way and bounce back from any setbacks they have so that they can take on the chosen and unchosen challenges that life and learning will bring.

**Curiosity** – Our students are ambitious to know more and remember more, to understand the power of knowledge and learn about the world around us.

We are proud of the achievements of our students and they leave us as confident, aspirational and well-rounded individuals who will make a positive contribution to our society. You are very welcome to visit the school and experience the purposeful and friendly working atmosphere.

Mark Harris Headteacher





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The behaviour of students is outstanding. Teachers have very good subject knowledge and their enthusiasm ensures that students enjoy learning and make good progress.

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### Care

Positive relationships between staff and students are a feature of our school that visitors comment on. These positive relationships enable our students to flourish, to gain confidence and to develop the resilience they will need for success in life.

Our student council, well-being ambassadors and other student leadership roles enable our students to make a positive contribution to our community. We celebrate the achievements of our students and look for opportunities both within and outside of the curriculum to enable them to thrive. Our students are known and valued individuals who will be given every opportunity to succeed.

Behaviour and pastoral care in the school is outstanding. At the heart of the pastoral care is the form tutor, who will stay with your child until the end of Year 11. We have close partnerships with parents and keep them informed through regular reports and parents' evenings as well as newsletters and email. It is these positive partnerships and shared high expectations that enable our students to thrive.





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Students' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is promoted exceptionally well. Diversity is celebrated across subjects.

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### Our Curriculum

Our students are curious learners who enjoy their learning, are ambitious to know more, who understand the power of knowledge and learn about the world around us. We have an aspirational, broad and balanced curriculum with enrichment opportunities which inspire our students. Our dedicated and committed teachers are subject experts who encourage and support all of our students to enjoy their learning and achieve highly.

We want to develop well-rounded individuals with generosity of spirit who will make a positive contribution to society. There is an extensive personal development curriculum which takes place through form time, assemblies, drop down days and enrichment activities. Careers information is given to students throughout their time at school and at key transition times advice is given through individual interviews and in consultation with parents.

Ofsted judged our sixth form to be 'outstanding' with students who are highly motivated both in lessons and during independent study periods. They are inspired by teachers' excellent subject knowledge.





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I think it is great that the school offers so many opportunities – the chance to see and do things they might otherwise never get to do. Thanks again.

Parent







# Learning Outside the Classroom

We have a long and proud tradition of offering an extensive extracurricular programme for all students. They are encouraged to challenge themselves and get involved in the many clubs and activities on offer.

The Creative and Performing Arts Department (Dance, Music, Drama and Art) offer a range of lessons, clubs and activities. Performances in all the disciplines are held in school throughout the year. The highlight of the calendar is a Musical Show at the Brewery which usually involves over one hundred of our students.

Students of all abilities take part in the wide range of sports clubs on offer from rugby to rounders, cricket to badminton. The inter-form competitions that take place over the year involve most of our students and are hotly contested. Students compete regularly at local, regional and national levels, fully supported by the school.

Many of our students are involved in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, they raise money for charity, they are part of the environmental group or politics club. Trips and visits are extensive and help to broaden the horizons of our students whether this is a University visit, a trip to Iceland, our Year 7 residential or a languages trip to Spain. There is a lot to enjoy and get involved in.



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I cannot tell you how much he enjoyed the trip. This was a very significant step forward for him.

**Parent** 





## A Successful, Vibrant and Exciting Place to Come and Learn

### We are proud of the achievements of our students and of our school. In particular:

- Our traditional values of care, hard work, resilience and curiosity underpin all that we do.
- The calm and purposeful working atmosphere that makes Kirkbie Kendal School a great place to learn.
- Students working hard and making the most of the many enrichment opportunities, clubs and trips available.
- Our teachers who are dedicated subject specialists who inspire our students.
- The facilities, which are excellent.

For more information, or to arrange a tour, please contact headspa@kksa.co.uk.



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The behaviour of students is outstanding. Students' excellent attitudes to learning mean they make the most of the opportunities offered.

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