



# Arnold Academy

**Mini Prospectus**  
2022 – 2023



**“The best we can be  
in all that we do”**

At Arnold Academy we aim to make every day enjoyable and successful for our children. We commit to ensuring our pupils have the best environment in which to flourish and nurture their talents and qualities. In addition to high academic achievement, we want our pupils to have a strong moral purpose, underpinned by positive values. By focusing on this, we aim to ensure that Arnold pupils understand their responsibilities and play an active and positive role in their community, both now and in their future lives.

Our aims reflect our commitment to high standards in a happy and purposeful atmosphere of high expectation.

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## Our aims

- To attain high standards of achievement, and ensure that every child fulfills their potential.
- To provide a high quality and stimulating curriculum.
- To provide a secure, challenging and happy environment in which our pupils enjoy learning.
- To extend children's understanding of themselves, of the world in which they live, and of the school and wider community.
- To engender positive values such as respect, tolerance and care so that our pupils have an understanding of others and the diverse society in which we live.
- To work in active partnership with parents and carers.
- To promote the highest standards of behaviour, good relationships and positive attitudes.
- To achieve confidence, independence, perseverance, co-operation and adaptability.
- To ensure equality of opportunity for all at Arnold Academy.

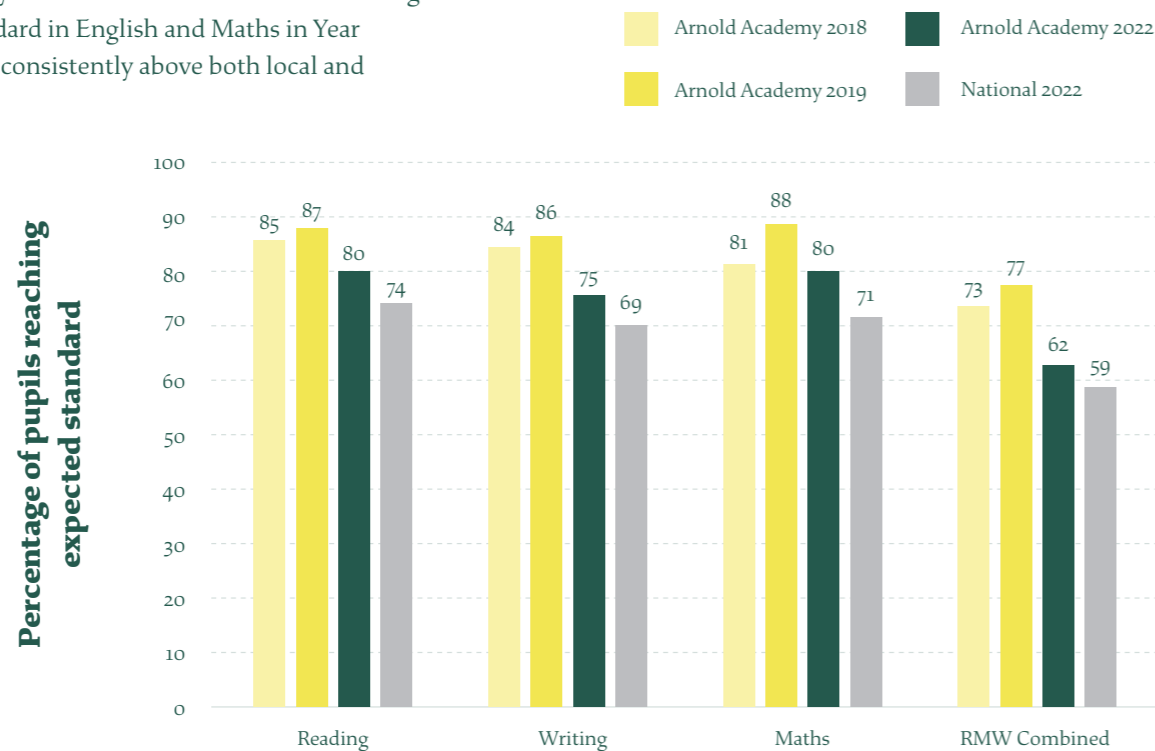
## Our values

We are a school with values. Values education is delivered during assemblies and tutor time. Teachers will also refer to values at appropriate stages in learning. Our students agree to follow our non-negotiables which are:

1. We value others and treat everyone with respect and kindness.
2. We value our own learning and that of others.
3. We value our environment and have a safe, orderly and stimulating school.
4. We value ourselves and aim to become the best people we can be.

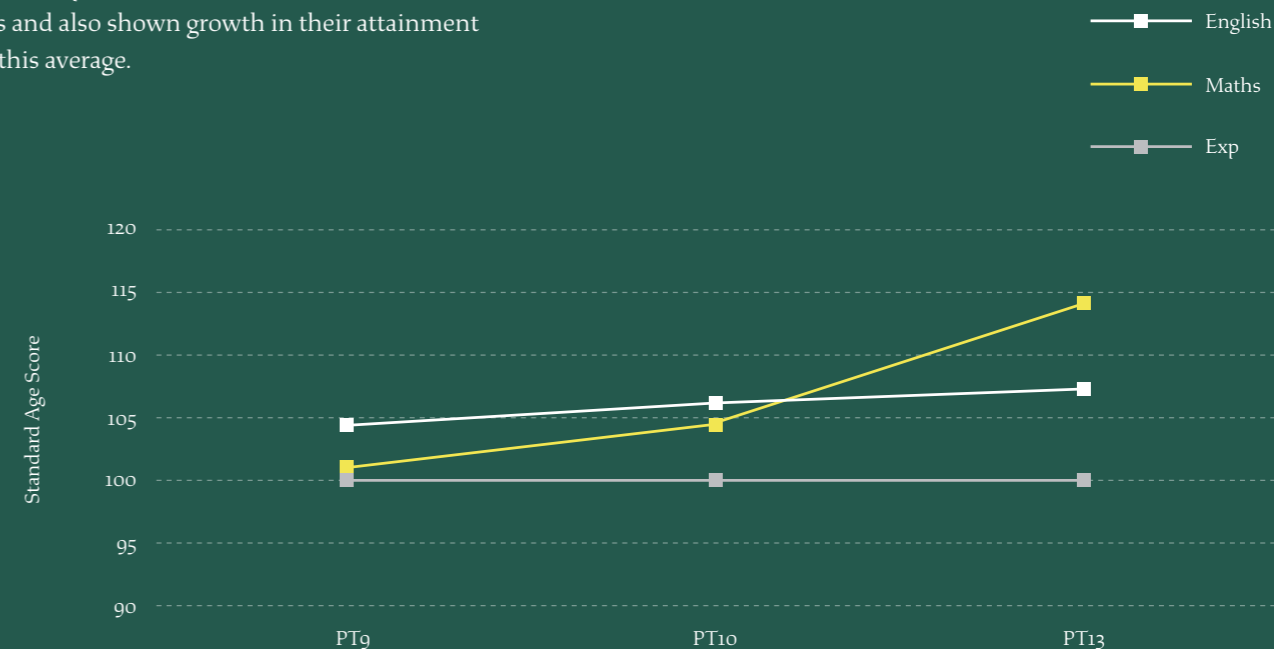
## Attainment and Outcomes

Arnold Academy has a rich history of strong academic results, year-upon-year. The number of students attaining the Expected Standard in English and Maths in Year 6 here at Arnold is consistently above both local and national averages.



Students make strong progress across their four years at Arnold and go on to achieve well at both GCSE and A'Level. We carry out GL Assessments; end of year tests, which are benchmarked nationally to monitor their academic progress. The average progress score for national average is 100. In progress tests across time, Arnold students have performed well above these national averages and also shown growth in their attainment against this average.

### Year 8 Progress





## Curriculum

Arnold Academy understands its role as being the bridge between a pupil's formative years in education and the critical upper school years in Key Stages four and five. Arnold works in close collaboration with its lower school feeders to ensure skills, knowledge and vocabulary are logically sequenced and there is equality of opportunity in terms of pupil access, experience and topic coverage. We have an ongoing dialogue between lower, middle and upper schools that ensures our learning journey continuously evolves and all pupils have the opportunity to flourish.

Our students follow a traditional curriculum of English, Maths and Science, History, Geography, French, Religious Education, Computing, Art, Design Technology, Food, Music and PE. Students study Physical, Social, Health and Careers education as part of community time with their tutor each day.

## Timings of the Day

### Monday – Thursday

Morning / am	8.35 – 8.50	AM Registration and Reading
	8.50 – 9.50	Period 1
	9.50 – 10.50	Period 2
	10.50 – 11.05	Break
	11.05 – 12.05	Period 3
Afternoon / pm	12.05 – 1.05	Period 4 / Year 5 & 6 Lunch
	1.05 – 2.05	Period 4 / Year 7 & 8 Lunch
	2.05 – 3.05	Period 5
	3.05 – 3.30	Community Time

### Friday

Morning / am	8.35 – 8.45	AM Registration
	8.45 – 9.45	Period 1
	9.45 – 10.45	Period 2
	10.45 – 11.00	Break
	11.00 – 12.00	Period 3
Afternoon / pm	12.00 – 1.00	Period 4 / Year 5 & 6 Lunch
	1.00 – 2.00	Period 4 / Year 7 & 8 Lunch
	2.00 – 2.15	Community Time

## Enrichment

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12.20-1.05 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Activity Club</b>	12.20-1.05 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Activity Club</b>	12.20-1.05 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Activity Club</b>	12.05-12.30 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Spanish Club</b>	12.00-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Cooking Club</b>
12.30-1.00 <b>Year 5 Football</b>	12.30-1.00 <b>Year 6 Football</b>	12.30-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Tag</b>	12.20-1.05 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Activity Club</b>	12.20-1.05 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Activity Club</b>
1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Singing Club</b>	12.30-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Homework Support</b>	12.30-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Dance</b>	12.30 – 1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Girls Football</b>	12.30-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Singing Club</b>
1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Girls Football</b>	12.25-12.55 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Science Club</b>	12.30-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Music Club</b>	12.30 -1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Badminton</b>	12.35-1.00 <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 Horse Club</b>
1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Dodgeball</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 Football</b>	12.35-1.05 <b>Year 6 Netball</b>	1.20-1.55 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Creative Writing Club</b>	1.00-1.30 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Maths Logic and Sudoku</b>
1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Badminton</b>	1.20-1.50 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Maths Challenge</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 8 Football</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Art Club</b>	1.00-1.25 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Spanish Club</b>
	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Table Tennis</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Drumming, Bells and Boomwhackers</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Music Technology</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Years 5 &amp; 6 Sports club INVITE ONLY</b>
	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Music Club</b>	3.05-4.00 <b>All Years – Orchestra Club</b>	1.35-2.05 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Horse Club</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Basketball</b>
	1.35-2.05 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Netball</b>		3.30-4.15 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Science Club</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Computer Club</b>
	3.45-4.30 <b>All Years Running Club</b>		3.30-4.30 <b>All Years Warhammer/ Boardgames Club</b>	1.30-2.00 <b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Homework Support Club</b>

## Student voice

Our Pupil Council at Arnold Academy is made up of two representatives from each class which form a year council. This group meet with their Head of Year regularly to discuss issues that affect us, ways to improve our local environment and organise fundraising events throughout the school year. Two representatives of this council sit on the Whole School Council which meet with the Headteacher regularly to ensure pupil voice plays a central role in moving the School forward.



## Uniform

At Arnold Academy we recognise the cost of living crisis and have altered our approach to uniform this year. Families can choose for their child to wear a choice of:

- Black Banner Charleston school skirt – drop waist all round pleated skirt worn to the knee; **OR**
- Formal, tailored grey or black trousers – (non-stretch fabric, straight leg not drain pipe, not tightly fitted, no studs).
- Plain white blouse with plain reverse collar **OR**
- Plain white, non ‘fashion’ shirt **AND**
- Academy tie – only available from ‘Prestige’
- Bottle green pullover (V-neck) or cardigan - plain knit with logo - only available from ‘Prestige’
- Plain white, grey or black socks **OR**
- Black or bottle green tights
- Black sensible shoes – flat or low-heeled, no pointed heels, or platforms. No boots to be worn indoors. Trainers and sports footwear are only permitted in PE.

Students also have the choice of wearing the following options, which were previously deemed as the summer uniform, at any point across the academic year:

- Gold, logo-embroidered polo shirt – only available from ‘Prestige’
- Dark green and white checked dress of any reasonable design **OR**
- Grey or black shorts/skirts

On days of the week when students have PE lesson or lunch club they can attend school in their PE uniform. We ask that during winter months students have a change of clothes with them as they may, from time-to-time, get wet and muddy. Once again there is in flexibility in which type of Arnold uniform students change back into following periods of PE.

## School Transport

School transport is managed by the Local Authority of Central Bedfordshire. Pupils living in catchment areas of Arnold can apply for transport to school. The buses run to and from the following areas:

- Flitton
- Greenfield and Pulloxhill
- Silsoe
- Sundon
- Streatley
- Tingrith
- Westoning

### Central Bedfordshire provide the following information on applying for school transport:

Your children may be able to get travel assistance to school depending on how far the walk is and any special needs they have. All children who are in reception year to the end of year 11 qualify for travel assistance if they go to their nearest suitable or catchment school and live at least:

- 2 miles from the school if they are under 8
- 3 miles from the school if they are 8 or older. The statutory walking distances are measured by the shortest available walking route
- Live in an area where there are no viable walking routes

For more information on school transport and how to apply for a bus pass, please visit:

[centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/3/schools\\_and\\_education](http://centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/3/schools_and_education)

## Admissions

Arnold Academy will consider all applications for places. Admissions into the Academy are organised in conjunction with Central Bedfordshire Council.

Each year the Council distributes information packs via local Lower Schools on the admissions process for Middle Schools. Places need to be applied for and a completed application form needs to be returned to the Council by Sunday 15th January 2023. Places will then be allocated and parents will be informed the following spring.

We anticipate reaching our full admission number each year therefore you are advised to put Arnold Academy as your first choice if you wish to secure a place for your child.

ENTRY IN TO OTHER YEARS: Contact Central Bedfordshire Council Admissions Service for an application form. All applications will be considered and if the year group applied for has a place available the Academy may admit the child.

### Central Bedfordshire Council School

School Admissions

Priory House

Monks Walk

Chicksands

Shefford

Bedfordshire

SG17 5TQ

0300 300 8037

[admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk)








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