

# RIVINGTON & BLACKROD HIGH SCHOOL

## Prospectus

*Discovering dreams • Achieving ambitions • Transforming lives*



**Leverhuime**  
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# Welcome to **Rivington & Blackrod** High School

## Your invitation to visit...

I would like to offer you a very warm welcome to Rivington and Blackrod High School. Founded in 1566, our school has held an important place in our community for centuries. We are very proud of our tradition as a successful, forward thinking and caring school. I extend a personal invitation to you to visit our school and see the rich opportunities available for all students, which is supported by an inclusive, caring community.

We pride ourselves on offering an excellent education in all areas of the curriculum and a wide range of learning and enrichment opportunities. Our Christian values underpin all that we do to ensure that all our students achieve the highest academic standards and develop spiritually, morally, socially and culturally. We aim to ensure that all students feel safe, happy and grow as successful learners and caring global citizens. Insisting on high standards in all that we do, we strive to encourage students to achieve their highest aspirations.


As a school, we constantly develop ways of improving and extending the opportunities and support that we offer. I am proud of our status as a School Direct Centre, training student teachers, thus allowing us to push the boundaries of teaching and learning further and supporting us in raising aspiration levels even higher for all our students.

This prospectus will provide you with important information about Rivington and Blackrod High School and our ultra-modern Sixth Form and will help you to make the vital decision about what is best for your child's secondary and further education. However, should you wish to find out more, please do not hesitate to contact us to speak with us personally.

I look forward to welcoming you to our school.



**Mr P Roach**  
Headteacher



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about the Rivi  
experience online

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A school built on  
**strong foundations**  
established 1566

**'Once a Rivi, always a Rivi'**

A simple phrase that not only reflects the impact our school has had on all those who have walked its corridors but also says so much about the character of the people who make up the Rivington and Blackrod High School family.

We are fortunate to have such a beautiful looking school with incredible grounds. However, it is now, and always has been, the people that make our school so special. Generations of students talk of a 'family spirit' that is founded on strong relationships and outstanding care, guidance and support. This spirit can be found throughout our current school community of approximately 1800 students and 240 staff.

# Embracing opportunities

**Our ambition for our students shines through as we ensure that a broad range of learning opportunities and extensive pastoral programmes provide students with the power and motivation to realise and keep growing their goals and aspirations.**

We have high expectations of all students and staff, and progress is constantly monitored, reviewed and discussed in every subject, with extra support given where required.

Ambitious and personalised academic targets ensure students achieve their full potential, which prepares them for the responsibilities and experiences of further and higher education, training and employment.

We firmly believe that a high quality learning environment helps to support excellent teaching and learning.

All students have access to specialist facilities, including Apple Mac design studios, science laboratories, technology rooms with computer aided design and excellent art, drama, music and sporting facilities.

**“A strong culture of learning and achievement is well established.”**

- Ofsted



**Respect**

**Belonging**

**Honesty**

**Support**



# Working together to achieve success

**Caring and supportive relationships are very important to us and support from home is vital.**

Parents work with us to encourage their children to grow and succeed. To enrich this partnership, we provide parents with regular updates, progress reports and opportunities to meet the staff. This holistic support network ensures good communication, reassurance and early intervention if necessary.

To support our students' awareness and respect of the world, we work closely with businesses, local industry and our wider community. We arrange work experience and visits to universities, have visiting speakers and run various life-enriching projects to support students' social, moral, cultural and educational development.





**A broad and balanced**  
curriculum offering a compelling  
**learning experience**





**RBHS school life consists of a balance of learning, studying and socialising**

Read more about our curriculum activities on our school website

[www.rbhs.co.uk/curriculum-overview/](http://www.rbhs.co.uk/curriculum-overview/)

## **Take part ▪ Work hard ▪ Do the right thing**

We believe education does not solely belong in the classroom. Therefore, we provide extracurricular opportunities to reinforce key skills in literacy, numeracy, citizenship, teamwork, communication and cooperation.

We offer educational visits across the UK, Europe and the USA. Students have the opportunity to experience drama, musical and theatrical performances and participate in environmental expeditions, enrichment days and community events.

We have an exceptional sporting programme which allows students to take part in regional and national competitions. Our onsite facilities are excellent and include: a large indoor sports hall with built in cricket nets, a dance studio, a fitness suite and extensive outdoor pitches and courts.



RIVINGTON & BLACKROD  
**SIXTH FORM**

# Developing students

for a life and beyond

**Rivington and Blackrod Sixth Form is a well established Sixth Form with approximately three-hundred students. After completing their A level or BTEC studies, most students go to university. The Sixth Form has a justified reputation for the strength of its academic results, which place it in the top 20% of colleges nationally. Equally important to us is our reputation for a very high standard of student support and guidance.**

Our Sixth Form welcomes students who studied at the school in Year 11 and those from other schools across Bolton and surrounding areas. Our reputation for high academic achievement and excellent individualised support makes us a popular choice for students seeking good quality teaching in small groups.

Enrichment activities include additional support for those applying to the most competitive university courses, at universities such as Oxford or Cambridge, and for courses such as Medicine and Law. We offer work experience placements which are vital for successful applications in many areas, such as healthcare and education. There are structured opportunities to develop leadership skills and a wide range of charitable, cultural and social events. The Sixth Form arranges several residential trips, including visits to Parliament, the CERN project in Geneva, and to New York and Auschwitz.

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Sixth Form

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# Leverhulme

Church of England and Community Trust

## Leverhulme Academy Trust vision and values

Rivington and Blackrod High School is part of Leverhulme Church of England and Community Trust (Leverhulme Academy Trust) with Rivington and Blackrod Sixth Form and Harper Green School. As a trust, we work together to ensure that all children receive an excellent education irrespective of their starting point. We relish the opportunity to be a part of the much-needed regeneration of areas we work in and wish to play a full role in the wider community. Our mission is to discover dreams, achieve ambitions and transform lives.

### **Vision**

The vision of Leverhulme Academy Trust is to provide the highest quality of education that creates a community of happy, successful and well-rounded individuals who can flourish and make a difference in our world.

### **Mission**

Discovering dreams, achieving ambitions, and transforming lives.

### **Staff Values**

Our values underpin our mission and provide the basis on which we will achieve our vision.

- Students First: We put our students at the heart of all our decisions
- High Expectations: We have high expectations of both ourselves and others
- Integrity: We do the right thing

### **Student Values**

- Take part
- Work hard
- Do the right thing

Mr P Roach  
CEO

Leverhulme Academy Trust

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**"Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world."**

**- Nelson Mandela**



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