



A young man and woman in school uniforms are shown in profile, facing each other and smiling. They are outdoors, with greenery and a building in the background. A large, light blue curved graphic element is overlaid on the image, framing the text.

Welcome to

Bedford Academy is a new, vibrant and innovative state funded independent school at the heart of its community. Working with our sponsors The Bedford Charity (Harpur Trust) and Bedford College, we aim to provide our students with the outstanding education they deserve.

Bedford Academy

We are determined that every student is challenged to reach their full potential in a culture of learning, enjoyment and opportunity where no one gets left behind. We equip our students with the qualifications, attitudes, skills and knowledge that they will need throughout their lives and raise their aspirations to reach further than they ever thought possible.

As a community we are shaping Bedford Academy as an outstanding school which will benefit this area of Bedford for generations to come – a very exciting prospect.

We look forward to welcoming your children to the Academy and working with you to make sure they achieve their very best.

Claire Smith

Principal



Our Values

> **Student Focus**

We seek to achieve a high-quality learning experience for every student.

> **High Performance**

We strive for consistently high levels of performance in all aspects of our work.

> **Respect, Openness and Honesty**

We treat everyone with respect. We encourage openness and honesty and we recognise each others' contributions and achievements.



Our Vision

The Academy will transform educational outcomes by providing exciting, new and different opportunities for learning and applied learning. As a vibrant and successful centre of learning, with the highest standards of attendance and behaviour, it will bring about a substantial increase in the educational attainment, expectations and aspirations of students and the whole community.



A Supportive



Environment

Our Academy community is a happy and welcoming one. Our students thrive in a supportive and safe environment in which everyone has respect for each other. We believe in demonstrating dignity in the way we conduct ourselves and providing hope through education. Our Behaviour for Learning policy ensures our core purpose of learning is not interrupted.

Building effective relationships is key; our Learning Villages ensure every student is known and valued for what they can achieve. Our small tutor groups containing students of all ages provide a secure environment where tutors can get to know their students and older students can support younger ones.




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Students have one chance to achieve their potential and gain the results they are capable of. We ensure our students make the most of that chance and that they receive a range of exciting learning experiences. Our students are academically and emotionally prepared for their future by being challenged to think for themselves, to take part in decisions about the Academy and by being motivated to do the best they can.

Our students are encouraged to recognise their achievements and explore how they can build on them so that they make excellent progress. We celebrate student successes and ask that they learn from mistakes. We see each student as an individual and seek to give them an education that best suits their abilities and interests.



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We develop our students' skills in teamwork, independence and leadership – the skills that will ensure they grow in confidence and are prepared for successful future careers.

A woman with blonde hair and glasses is looking at a human skeleton model. The skeleton is positioned in front of her, partially obscuring her face. The background is a colorful, abstract pattern. The title 'Bringing Learning' is overlaid on the top right of the image.

Bringing Learning

At Bedford Academy our focus is always on learning and teaching. Our students are provided with a broad, balanced education based on the national curriculum enhanced by our specialisms in Science and Technology. This means that we place a special emphasis on the skills of problem solving, creative thinking and ICT. We provide opportunities to bring Science alive and for students to experience hands on the processes of design.

We believe that learning extends beyond the classroom and our enrichment programme provides a wide range of opportunities such as trips abroad, visits to theatres, galleries, theme parks and for work placements. As part of our extended day, which includes a Breakfast Club and after school sessions, every student has the chance to try new and fun activities.

A young woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a school uniform consisting of a white shirt, a purple tie, and a grey sweater. She is smiling and looking towards the left of the frame. The background is a blurred classroom setting. A purple diagonal graphic element runs across the bottom of the image.

Alive

Our Academy day means students are engaged in learning for longer. Our lessons are active, varied and are carefully planned to challenge every individual.



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