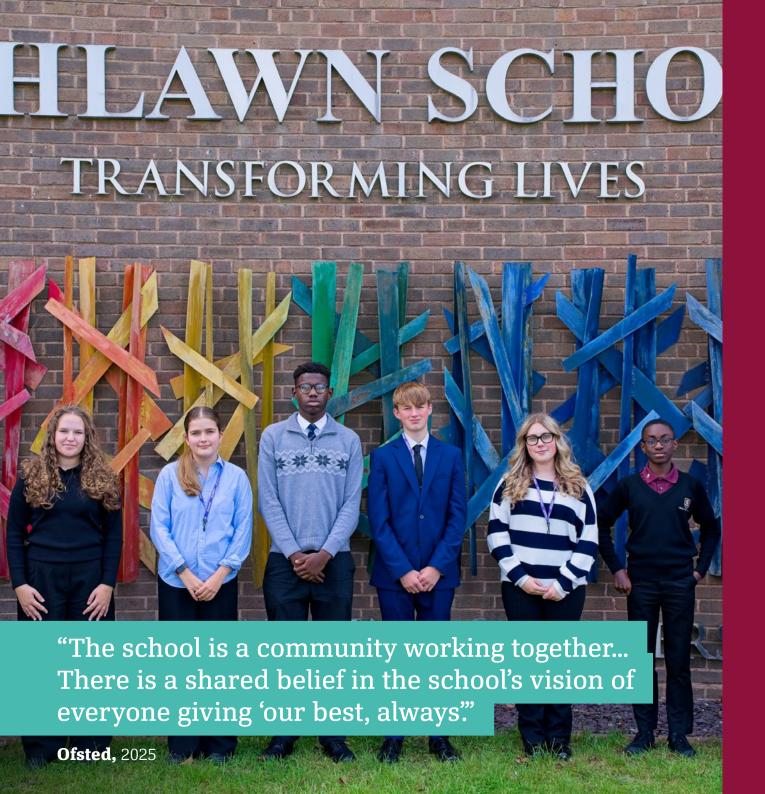




Our best, always

Prospectus 2025







# Welcome from the Principal

Welcome to Ashlawn School, a warm and forward-thinking school community that combines high quality education with traditional values and high expectations. Building on a legacy spanning almost 70 years, we are proud to provide an excellent educational experience for our students.

At Ashlawn, we strive for academic excellence for all, knowing that all students have great potential and should be given every opportunity to fulfil it.

Our wonderful teachers deliver a broad and balanced education through a well designed, contemporary curriculum and we offer fantastic facilities that cater for all students. As a bi-lateral school, this includes provision for students who have joined us through the 11+, as well as our specialist Modern Languages stream.

We also pay close attention to supporting the varied needs of all our students and have a dedicated Learning Development Department with specialist teachers, learning mentors and assistants on hand to support students' individual needs.

We passionately believe in promoting a holistic approach to education with a focus on the development of the whole child, not just their academic results. Our students are also encouraged to develop skills and expertise outside of the classroom through our extensive enrichment programme and an effective personal development curriculum, allowing us to nurture all students' talents while supporting their wellbeing.

We are determined that every student will be able to reflect on their time at Ashlawn as happy and fulfilling. A time that has not only enriched their lives and nurtured their aspirations, but that has provided the foundations needed for long term future success.

I am also pleased to confirm that during their recent visit, Ofsted judged our school to be 'good' across each inspection area, with widespread praise for the Ashlawn community.

We hope that this prospectus provides you with a flavour of life at our wonderful school and look forward to welcoming you soon.

#### **Paul Brockwell**

Principal

# The Ashlawn Pledge

We commit to being part of the Ashlawn community and pledge to:

- **Demonstrate kindness** to all and help those in need
- **Be proud** of our uniqueness and champion the differences of others
- Celebrate our successes together
- **Express gratitude** for things that others do for us
- Show respect and pride in our words and actions
- Challenge ourselves and each other to be our best, always





# Transform your child's future

At Ashlawn School, we believe in the power of education to present the greatest possible life opportunities.

Our core purpose is, therefore, to enable every young person to exceed their potential: to develop a love of learning, to widen their horizons, deepen their confidence and to aspire to all that they can be.

We believe that each student is unique and their learning is enhanced by a shared commitment to their education. Learners, teachers, parents and carers work together as a community to ensure outstanding opportunities for all.

# The Transforming Lives Educational Trust (TLET)

Our family of primary and secondary academies works together to provide the best start for our children and young people.









## Our ambitions



We flourish in the places we create together.



**Inspire Community** 

We champion each other to make a difference.



Deliver Excellence

We strive to achieve our best.

## At Ashlawn we CARE...

#### **Community**

We value every member of the Ashlawn family and treat each other with kindness and compassion.

### **Aspiration**

We work hard and make the most of exciting and challenging learning experiences, in order to open up the world around us and achieve our dreams.

### Respect

We respect each other and our differences. We respect our learning environment and appreciate everyone's right to the best possible experience at Ashlawn.

#### **Excellence**

We are committed to trying our best and achieving the highest standards in our love of learning, so that we can be the best versions of ourselves.





## Academic Excellence for All

At Ashlawn School, our students study a broad and exciting curriculum that equips them with the knowledge and skills they need for the future.

Throughout their time with us, students are encouraged to develop a lifelong love of learning, deepening their knowledge, inspiring their curiosity and nurturing their aspirations at every key stage.

We place the highest value on the quality of teaching and our lessons are structured around an agreed set of principles for effective learning, with clear routines and high expectations to support them.

Alongside the traditional subjects, we offer a dedicated personal development curriculum, focusing on building important life skills, developing an understanding and awareness of different cultures and beliefs, and nurturing personal qualities that will help our students to become exemplary citizens of the future.

As an inclusive school, we are also committed to enabling young people to achieve their full potential, providing a personalised approach and additional support where needed, to allow every individual to flourish.









### Skills in STEM

Preparing our students for the future world of work is at the forefront of our ambitions. Naturally, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) is a key part of our curriculum.

Alongside teaching fundamental skills for future work and life, our STEM provision also nurtures critical thinking and problem-solving skills, fostering curiosity and instilling a passion for invention, innovation and entrepreneurship.

At Key Stage 3, our students explore the fundamentals of STEM through Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths, Design Technology and Computer Science. They then have the opportunity to take up specialist 3D Design, Engineering, Business and Marketing courses at Key Stage 4 and Business, Economics and Engineering in our sixth form.

Students also have the chance to participate in a host of inspiring STEM opportunities, which include entry into the V&A Innovate Challenge, Science Club, the UK Mathematics Trust Challenges, Design and Technology Club, Women in STEM careers conferences, Astronomy Club, Tycoon Enterprise and many subject related extracurricular trips.





# Embracing the Arts and Humanities

# The Arts and Humanities at Ashlawn are a vibrant and exciting part of our offer.

With subjects including Art, Drama, English, Geography, History, Modern Languages, Food and Nutrition, Religious Studies and Music, there are so many benefits to embracing the arts and humanities. From encouraging self-expression and creativity to building confidence and a sense of individual identity, these subjects can also help to develop critical thinking skills, understand and orate/articulate how language works, and the ability to interpret the world around us.

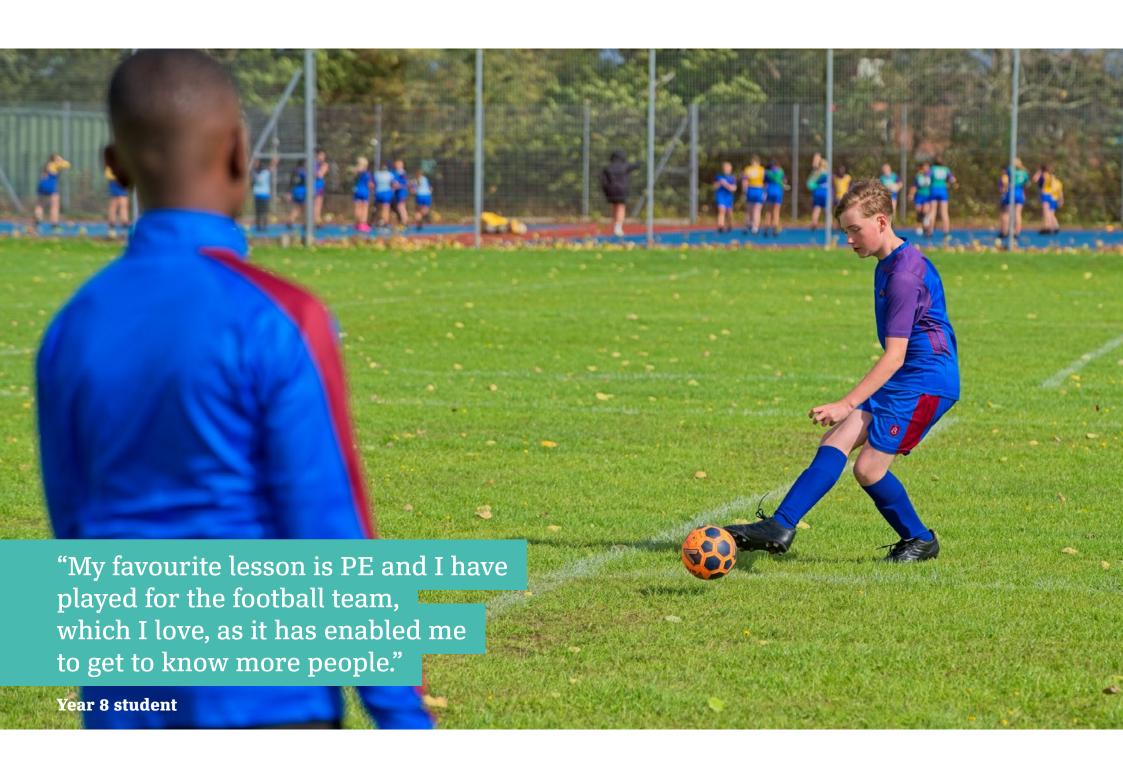
Every Key Stage 3 student takes part in timetabled lessons in each subject each term, with many more opportunities to showcase creative skills and talents during productions, competitions and performances throughout the year.

This includes submitting applications to the Rotary Young Artist of the Year Awards and school clubs including Choir, Art and Photography Club, Dance Club, Drama Club and Open Mic Nights.

Students can participate in the Ashlawn Student Leadership
Accreditation, a structured and innovative programme that
celebrates and promotes the development of leadership skills both
in and out of school. As part of the accreditation, students are
required to compile a portfolio of evidence to showcase these skills.









# Inspiring a Passion for Sport

We are proud to offer a wide range of sports opportunities for our students to participate in, encouraging them to develop a life-long commitment to living an active and healthy life.

From team sports to individual sporting specialisms, we encourage our students to participate in a range of sporting opportunities each week through the curriculum and beyond.

This includes a dedicated enrichment programme consisting of netball, rugby, football, handball, badminton, athletics, rounders, cricket, table tennis and trampolining (to name a few!).

In addition, we also encourage students to explore outdoor adventure opportunities, including international ski trips and Duke of Edinburgh expeditions.





## **Outstanding Opportunities**

We encourage every student to participate in a wide range of enrichment activities during their time with us.

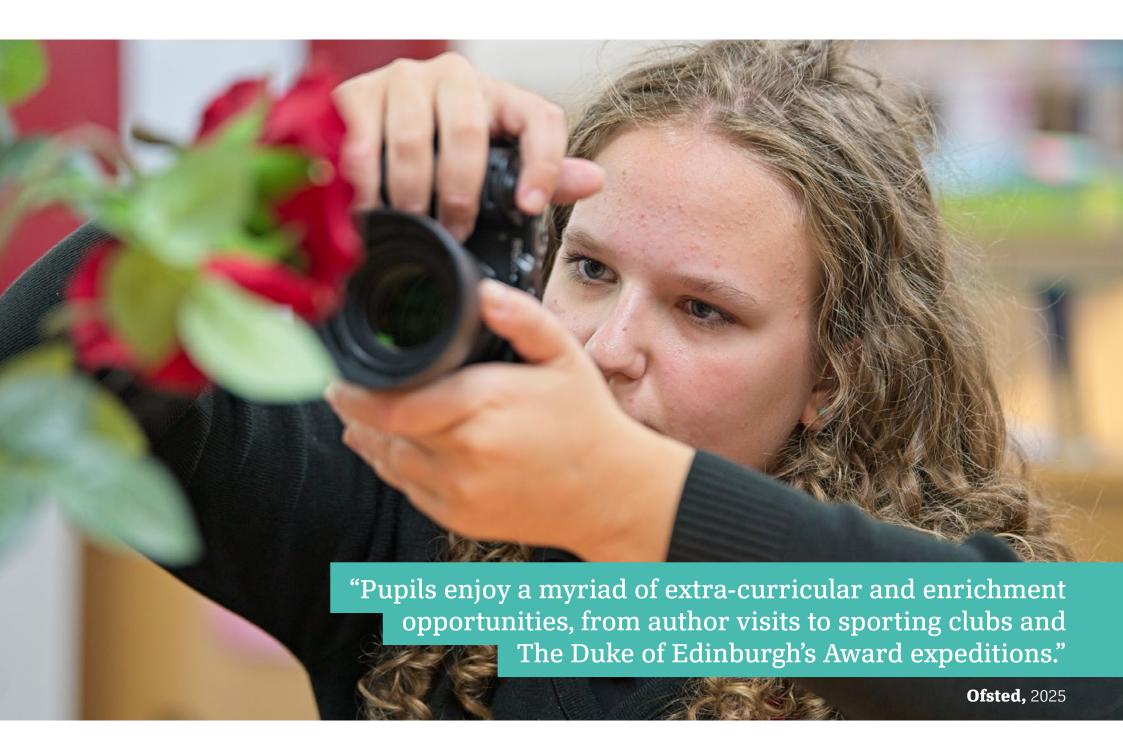
From science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), to debating, dance and drama – and everything in-between – there is something for everyone to try, learn more about and build their talents in.

This includes a dedicated programme of after school clubs, as well as the chance to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, World Challenge and special events that take place throughout the year.

Recent opportunities have included UK and overseas residentials and cultural trips, inspirational guest speakers and author visits, as well as exciting sport and arts events, which encourage students to broaden their horizons and explore the world around them.

We also believe that our contribution to the wider community is incredibly important. Our community programmes allow our students to give back to others, planning and running fundraising events and volunteering to support the NHS, local hospices, care homes, food banks and other important causes.









## Wellbeing at Ashlawn

We understand the importance of young people's emotional wellbeing and how it relates to their ability to learn. We know that good mental health is being able to manage a range of positive and negative emotions and is fundamental for us to be able to enjoy our lives.

As a result, every student at Ashlawn School has access to well-being staff who provide one to one support, interventions, and group workshops, which focus on tools and strategies for managing their own mental health.

In addition, we have a dedicated wellbeing centre, where our Mental Health Lead will meet with students and carry out sign-posting to, or make referrals for further interventions when needed. Alongside our Mental Health Lead, we also have a number of staff who are trained Mental Health First Aiders.

We also understand that young people can often prefer to talk about their wellbeing with their peers. To support them with this, our Sixth Form Students are attached to a Year 7 or Year 8 tutor group each week where they are able to work with the same student on a specific topic of the younger student's choice. This is a great chance for younger students to learn strategies from more experienced young people to support them with any concerns they may have around situations in school.

# Positive Behaviour and Rewards

Students at Ashlawn School are expected to model excellence in their behaviour and to take pride in the way they conduct themselves every day.

These are linked to our CARE pillars, whereby we promote:

- · Community
- · Aspiration
- Respect
- Excellence

All of our pillars are underpinned by 'The Ashlawn Way', where we each aim to be 'our best, always'.

Our staff are trained in positive behaviour management strategies and the use of restorative approaches to ensure that students can learn in a safe, kind and nurturing environment. Rewards and recognition play a vital part in encouraging students to fulfil their potential and to demonstrate a love of learning. As a result, rewards are given to students for consistent and improved levels of achievement, both academically and for contributions to the life of the school.

## Student Support

The wellbeing of every child is the most important aspect of any school and a young person who feels supported, confident, happy and safe is likely to thrive.

We have an outstanding pastoral team who offer care, guidance and support to all students. This includes supporting students, closely monitoring attendance and academic progress, and acting swiftly to implement necessary interventions.

The pastoral systems are overseen by Key Stage Leaders, each year group is led by a Head of Year and supported by a Welfare Lead and a team of Form Tutors.

Successful pastoral care is a partnership between the school and home. Ashlawn is committed to developing and maintaining these strong links by making regular contact throughout the year through revision seminars, parent consultation events, as well as our assessment system and termly reports.

### Inclusion

Our Inclusion Faculty is at the heart of our school, with an incredible team including an Assistant Principal, Second in Faculty, an experienced SENDCo, Teaching Assistants and Learning Mentors, who are all on hand to support the individual needs of students. We also have a dedicated admin personnel who can be contacted directly. Please contact us on: trumanf@ashlawn.tlet.org.uk

We believe it is incredibly important to develop positive relationships with parents and carers, working together to achieve the best for every young person.











### Sixth Form

# Everything we do for our Sixth Form students is based on the pillars of SUPPORT and OPPORTUNITY.

Our students are on the final leg of their journey into adulthood and will face many important challenges during their time in Sixth Form.

We are here to support students academically and pastorally, to ensure that they are able to maximise their potential and make informed choices about their future beyond school. Moreover, we believe in the equal importance of helping them to grow into confident, happy and successful young adults.

#### Why choose Ashlawn Sixth Form?

At Ashlawn we welcome students who have a wide range of talents and aspirations. We are here to help our students to navigate their path to achieving their personal best; to go on to university, apprenticeships or the career of their dreams. This is done by offering a stimulating and diverse range of course options with specialised teachers providing personalised learning.

Through individualised support we ensure students reach their full potential. We have a superb pastoral team who give support and guidance to our students throughout every step of their Sixth Form journey. They understand and care about students' needs and will encourage you to grow and develop as an individual, learn about yourself and take part in an exciting enrichment programme.

### Enrichment

#### **Timetabled enrichment**

The Extended Project Qualification and Core Maths are available as an option during the school day. You can express an interest in these in the sixth form application form.

'Pay it Forward' is also timetabled for all Sixth Formers, giving them the opportunity to support and mentor younger students in KS3 and KS4 classes, giving back to the community as well as developing their team working and communication skills.

#### Leadership

We are immensely proud of our Sixth Formers who are role models for the rest of our students. Many of them take full advantage of a range of leadership opportunities available to them including:

- · Head Students and Sixth Form Student Leadership Team
- · Prefects
- Year 11 Academic Mentoring
- Student Council Focus Groups

In addition to these activities, our Sixth Form students enjoy numerous other enrichment opportunities including school trips, guest lectures, Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, World Challenge UK and the Year 13 Prom.

#### **Passport**

All students with good attendance, punctuality and study habits are rewarded with a passport in Year 12 allowing them to study at home.

For further information, please take a look at our dedicated Sixth Form prospectus.

### **Transition**

Transition from primary to secondary education is an exciting prospect and a significant landmark in a young person's educational journey.

Each year, we work alongside parents and carers and primary schools to ensure a smooth transition for students joining us in Year 7.

This includes staff visits to feeder primary schools, to meet students and their current teachers. Dedicated transition events are also held each year, providing the opportunity for new students to meet staff, get to know their classmates and familiarise themselves with their new school.

## How to Apply

We hope you like what you see and make Ashlawn your first choice.

Applications for a Year 7 place at Ashlawn School can be made through Warwickshire County Council's School Admissions. Applications can be made to the Grammar Stream through the 11+ test.

In addition to this, the school offers admission through a Foreign Languages Aptitude Test alongside the normal comprehensive admissions processes. Information about registration for the Ashlawn Foreign Language Aptitude test can be found on the school website in the Admissions section and must be made directly to the school using the form provided.

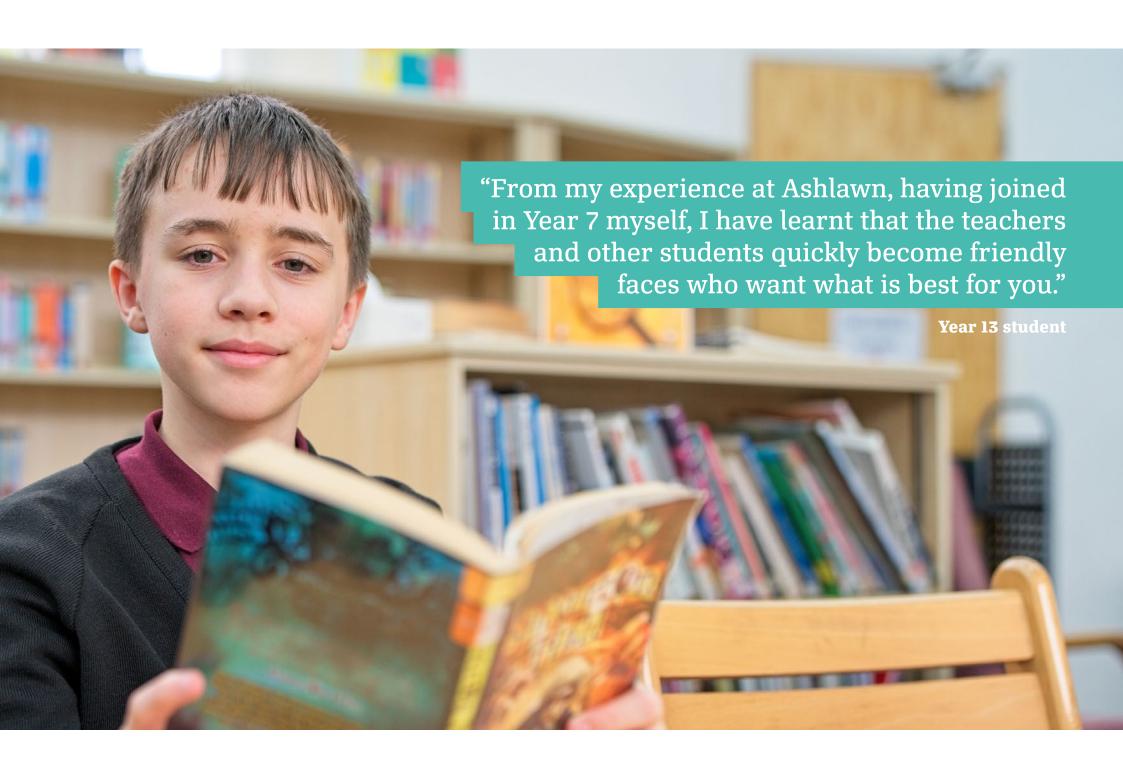
For further information about Ashlawn School and to book a tour visit www.ashlawn.org.uk

"The school's 'CARE pillars' of 'community, aspiration, respect and excellence' are threaded through all aspects of school life.

Everyone is clear about the importance of respect, both towards each other and the school environment."

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# Our best, always

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