



CATE SIXTH FORM

Woodbridge Park Education Service

Introduction

The CATE Sixth Form is an exciting new provision for Post 16 students in the Borough of Hounslow. All students will have access to a range of qualifications and supporting activities, designed to educate, stimulate and challenge. CATE promotes an ethos where everyone is valued and respected, where students are motivated and supported to strive for success. The dedicated, skilled and appropriately trained staff team provide teaching and learning of the highest quality. Outstanding support and guidance for students in our small, caring and nurturing community helps prepare our students for adult life. By working in partnership with students, their families, professionals and local authorities, we aim to equip the leavers for a fulfilling life after CATE.

Vision

To develop a high quality alternative provision where the curriculum is centred on the needs of each individual student; students will be engaged, supported, stretched and challenged within a safe and happy environment where the voices of students, parents/carers and staff will be both respected and valued.



Dream Believe Achieve Succeed

Aims

CATE Sixth Form aims to raise the aspirations and opportunities for young people across Hounslow who would otherwise be unlikely or unable to achieve their full academic potential and gain access to Higher Education. Based in a newly designed building on our Brentford site, CATE Sixth Form offers a highly personalised and supportive, yet rigorous academic curriculum. Our purpose is to transform lives by providing a pathway to a university/ higher education for learners who would not otherwise have this opportunity.

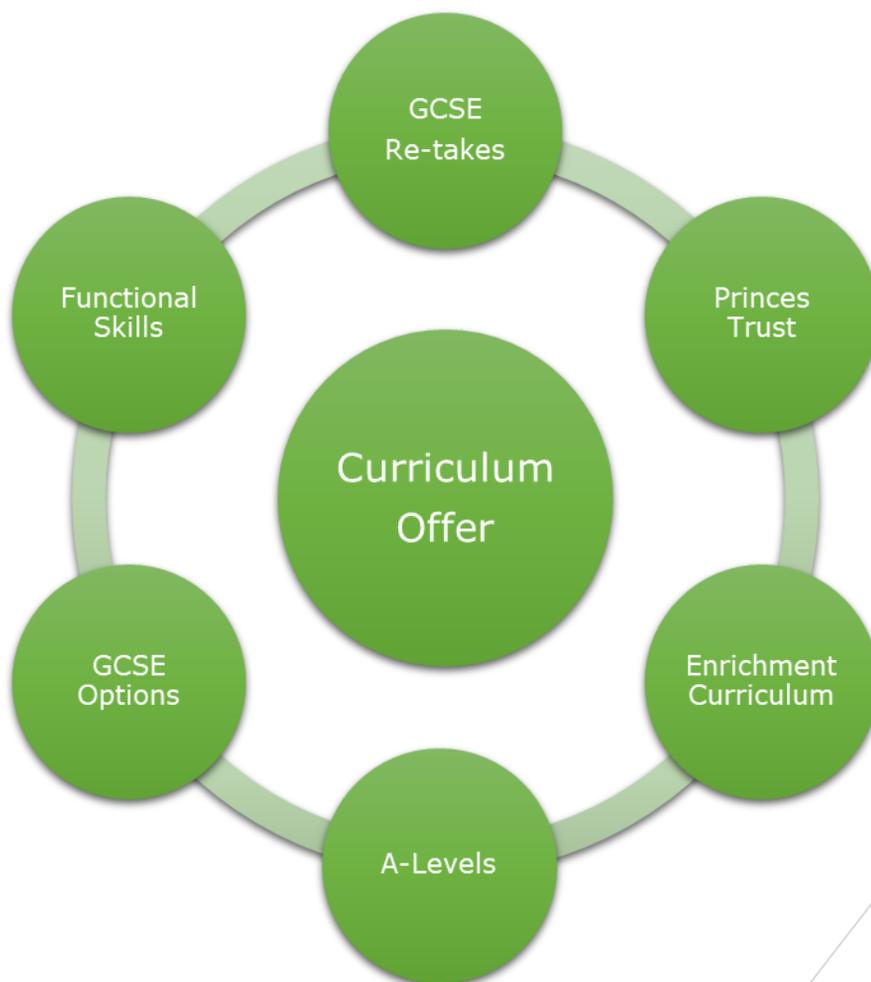
Curriculum Overview

CATE Sixth Form offers a new innovative provision, designed to meet the needs of young people, who due to mental health and medical issues, have missed out on educational opportunities. In addition to academic study we also provide extensive pastoral input and alternative life skills programmes. All students have access to 18 hours of on-site provision per week. In addition to this we provide further off-site learning opportunities, including work experience and projects within the local community.



Curriculum Pathways

‘Students are supported in choosing a bespoke learning package from a range of curriculum pathways on offer in our Sixth Form’.



Curriculum Pathway A

A- LEVEL FOCUS

Offer of 3 A-Level subjects from the following options.

18 hours per week on-site curriculum

Maths
English
Science
Art
Sociology
Psychology

(Options TBC –subject to demand)

Prince's Trust Achieve Programme
6 credits (2 units)

Resilience/Emotional Literacy
Employability Skills

Curriculum Pathway B

GCSE FOCUS

English & Maths compulsory

Plus 4 GCSE options from the following subjects:

Please note that subject combinations are subject to availability

Science

Art

Religious Studies

Geography

PE

Statistics

Drama

Prince's Trust Achieve Programme
6 credits (2 units)

Resilience/Emotional Literacy
Employability Skills

Curriculum Pathway C

PRINCE'S TRUST

English & Maths compulsory
AQA Unit Award Scheme

Prince's Trust Achieve Programme
21 credits (mixed units)

Additional Enrichment curriculum to
include:

Resilience/Emotional Literacy
Employability Skills
First Aid Training
Community project
Life Skills –Cooking, budgeting

Daily Timetable

Breakfast Club	9.00 - 9.25
Registration	9.25 - 9.35
Period 1	9.35 - 10.15
Period 2	10.15 - 10.55
Break	10.55 - 11.10
Period 3	11.10 - 11.50
Period 4	11.50 - 12.30
Lunch	12.30 - 1.05
Registration	1.05 - 1.10
Period 5	13.10 - 13.50
Period 6	13.50 - 14.30
Study club / Homework	Mon/ Tues/ Thursday - 2.30-3.30

Curriculum Enrichment

We believe that enrichment opportunities are central to the holistic development of young people. We actively promote well-being and positive mental health. All students have access to our Prince's Trust Achieve Programme. Weekly group sessions with a focus on emotional literacy and resilience are led by our Specialist Mental Health Practitioner. We encourage participation in Community projects which encourage team building skills and showcase talent.

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The Prince's Trust Achieve Programme is designed to help young people re-engage with education and support them to achieve their full potential.

The curriculum promotes a flexible approach, using relevant, experiential learning to support young people to achieve a range of personal and employability skills and gain qualifications. Literacy and numeracy opportunities are embedded throughout.

Students choose from a selection of modules and units and can achieve award-sized qualifications. The Prince's Trust offers young people the opportunity to achieve a qualification in Personal Development and Employability Skills (PDE) whilst participating in the Achieve Programme.

Health and Well Being

We aim to address mental health and other health concerns in the first instance in order to stabilize mood so that the young person is able to re-engage with learning.

Each young person receives mentoring support, tailored to their individual needs. Students have access to a specialist Mental Health practitioner in addition to 1:1 support from highly trained staff. We work closely with CAMHS and other external agencies to ensure students have access to appropriate care packages. Students also have a designated tutor during their time at CATE.



Personal Effectiveness

We recognise that success at Higher Education requires a wide range of skills. Learners will participate in workshops designed to develop personal effectiveness.

These include:

- *Employability skills*
- *Resilience training*
- *Effective communication*
- *Developing independence and confidence*
- *Life skills*

Planning for the future

All students have the opportunity to complete a work experience placement and to gain accreditation in employability skills. Our Connexions advisor is on hand to support with next steps in education and future career goals. We invite guest speakers from industries and local colleges and encourage student visits to local providers.



Parent Partnership

We work in close partnership with parents/ carers and value their on-going input at CATE. We offer a Parent Support Group led by our Mental Health Practitioner. Opportunities to discuss a range of mental health conditions in an informal and safe environment have proven to be very beneficial. We make regular contact with parents through phone calls home and weekly progress updates.

Reporting and Assessment

Parents will receive termly reports on student progress and attainment. We host academic evenings twice yearly where parents have the opportunity to discuss their child's progress with subject teachers. Each student has an Individual Support Plan which is reviewed termly at a meeting attended by tutor, parent and student.

Admissions Criteria

CATE Sixth Form welcomes applications from students living in the London Borough of Hounslow and who meet our admissions criteria:

Students who have mental health, or medical difficulties, and are known to Tier 3 CAMHS, or are under a hospital consultant. (Referral letter required to accompany application)

Students who have recently been discharged from hospital and who have not had the opportunity to complete their Y11 studies.

Students who have missed 6 months or more of Y11 due to illness or other reasons, such as family bereavement or breakdown. (In cases where attendance has been below 70% in previous school we may need to offer a six-week monitoring period in the first instance.)

We have 4 places available to students with an EHCP who are also known to CAMHS in Year 12.

How to apply

Prospective students should complete an application form, and include relevant supporting document from external agencies. All applicants will be interviewed to ensure suitability for entry and to assist in guiding their subject choices. The interview process provides an informal opportunity for the young person to look around our site, ask questions about our school community and the curriculum offer. We also invite and encourage Parents/ Carers to attend the interview stage.

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