



PAKEFIELD
HIGH SCHOOL

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**WORK
HARD.
SHOW
RESPECT.
TAKE
PART.**



PROSPECTUS





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WELCOME FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

“ At Pakefield, we believe that every young person deserves to attend a school where they feel safe, valued and inspired to achieve their very best. ”

Choosing the right secondary school is one of the most important decisions a family will make, and I am delighted that you are considering Pakefield High School.

At Pakefield, we believe that every young person deserves to attend a school where they feel safe, valued and inspired to achieve their very best. Our aim is simple: to provide an excellent education within a caring and ambitious community, ensuring that every student leaves us ready for the opportunities and challenges of the future. We are proud to be a school with high expectations, strong relationships and a commitment to helping every child flourish.

Everything we do is guided by our values:

WORK HARD. SHOW RESPECT. TAKE PART.

These values shape our culture, our classrooms and our community.

We encourage our students to work hard, embrace challenge and develop the resilience needed to succeed both academically and personally. We expect all members of our community to show respect for themselves, for others and for the world around them. Most importantly, we inspire students to take part—to seize opportunities, contribute to school life and make the most of every experience available to them.



Our dedicated staff are passionate about providing high-quality teaching, exceptional pastoral support and a wide range of opportunities beyond the classroom. Whether through academic study, sport, the arts, leadership roles or enrichment activities, we want every student to discover their strengths, develop their confidence and find a true sense of belonging. This commitment to achievement, participation and personal growth reflects the school's broad curriculum, extensive enrichment programme and strong pastoral support.

We know that moving to secondary school is an exciting milestone, and we are committed to working closely with families throughout that journey. From transition through to Year 11, our focus is on ensuring that every child is known, supported and challenged to achieve their full potential.

Pakefield High School is a school where students are encouraged to aim high, treat others with kindness and make a positive contribution to their community. We are incredibly proud of our students and all that they achieve, and we look forward to welcoming the next generation of young people into our school family.

I hope this prospectus gives you a flavour of life at Pakefield High School and the many opportunities that await your child. We would be delighted to welcome you to our school and show you first-hand what makes Pakefield such a special place to learn, grow and succeed.

**“PAKEFIELD IS MORE THAN JUST A SCHOOL. THE STAFF GENUINELY CARE, EXPECTATIONS ARE HIGH AND EVERY STUDENT IS ENCOURAGED TO TAKE PART AND ACHIEVE THEIR VERY BEST
- YEAR 10 PARENT ”**



WHY CHOOSE PAKEFIELD?

Choosing a secondary school is about more than examination results. It is about finding a place where your child will feel safe, valued, challenged and inspired to achieve their very best.

At Pakefield High School, we are proud to offer a high-quality education within a supportive and ambitious community. We combine strong academic standards with exceptional pastoral care, ensuring that every student is known as an individual and supported to succeed.

Our aim is simple: to help young people grow into confident, resilient and responsible citizens who are ready for the opportunities of the future.

“ Pakefield High School is a welcoming, inclusive community where my children feel supported, challenged and encouraged every day. The staff go above and beyond – they truly care. ”

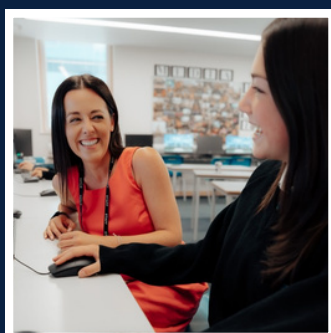
PARENT TESTIMONIAL

A School Where Everyone Belongs

Starting secondary school is a significant milestone, and we work hard to ensure that every student feels welcomed from day one. Through our strong transition programme, supportive staff and inclusive school community, students quickly develop a sense of belonging and confidence as they begin their journey with us.

Preparing Students for Life Beyond School

Our responsibility extends beyond helping students achieve qualifications. We are committed to preparing young people for successful futures by developing ambition, character, leadership and resilience. Whether students choose further education, apprenticeships or employment, we aim to equip them with the skills and confidence to take their next steps successfully.



OUR VALUES



**WORK
HARD.**

**SHOW
RESPECT.**

**TAKE
PART.**

We believe that success comes through effort, determination and a commitment to improvement. Our teachers have high expectations and create calm, purposeful learning environments where students are challenged to think deeply, work hard and achieve their full potential. Through a broad and ambitious curriculum, students develop the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to thrive both in school and beyond.

Strong relationships are at the heart of everything we do. We foster a culture built on kindness, respect and responsibility, where students feel safe, supported and valued. Our dedicated pastoral team works closely with families to ensure that every young person receives the guidance and encouragement they need to flourish academically, socially and emotionally.

We believe that some of the most memorable learning experiences happen beyond the classroom. From sports teams and creative arts to leadership opportunities, educational visits and enrichment activities, we encourage every student to get involved, discover new interests and build lasting friendships. We want every young person to embrace opportunities, develop their talents and play an active role in school life.

TEACHING & LEARNING

**High Expectations.
Excellent Teaching.
Exceptional Learning.**

At Pakefield High School, we believe that every student can achieve success when they are provided with excellent teaching, clear routines and high expectations. Our classrooms are places of purpose, ambition and challenge, where students are encouraged to think deeply, work hard and take pride in their achievements.

We know that great teaching has the greatest impact on student success. That is why we have developed a consistent approach to teaching and learning that ensures every student benefits from high-quality lessons, regardless of the subject they study. Our teachers are experts in their fields, committed to helping students develop the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to thrive both in school and beyond.

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The Pakefield Lesson

Our teaching is built around a clear and evidence-informed approach known as the Pakefield Lesson. Across all subjects, lessons are carefully structured to help students learn effectively and remember more over time.



Reviewing and Revisiting Learning

Students regularly recall previous knowledge and make connections between topics, helping them to strengthen understanding and improve long-term memory.



Effective Questioning

Teachers use questioning strategically to check understanding, encourage thinking and ensure that every student remains actively engaged in learning.



Expert Modelling

Teachers carefully explain new concepts, demonstrate processes and break learning into manageable steps, ensuring that all students can access challenging content.



Guided to Independent Practice

Students develop confidence by practising new skills with support before applying them independently and tackling increasingly challenging tasks.



WORK HARD



A CULTURE OF THINKING



LITERACY ACROSS THE CURRICULUM



INCLUSIVE LEARNING FOR ALL



FEEDBACK THAT MOVES LEARNING FORWARD



OUR CURRICULUM

An Ambitious Curriculum for Every Student

At Pakefield High School, we believe that every student deserves a curriculum that is ambitious, inclusive and designed to prepare them for success in school and beyond. Our curriculum is carefully planned to develop knowledge, skills and character while nurturing curiosity, creativity and a lifelong love of learning.

Built upon our values of Work Hard. Show Respect. Take Part., our curriculum provides both breadth and depth, ensuring that students develop strong foundations in key subjects while having opportunities to explore their interests and talents.



KEY STAGE 3: BUILDING STRONG FOUNDATIONS

In Years 7, 8 and 9, students follow a broad and balanced curriculum that provides a strong grounding across a wide range of subjects. This stage of education is designed to develop essential knowledge, skills and confidence while helping students discover their strengths and interests.



English



Mathematics



Science



Physical Education



Life (Personal Development)



French



History



Geography



Computer Science



Design & Technology



Food & Nutrition



Drama



Art



Music



Religious Education



KEY STAGE 4: PERSONALISING PATHWAYS

As students move into Years 10 and 11, they continue to study a strong core curriculum while selecting option subjects that reflect their interests, talents and future aspirations.

All students study:



English



Mathematics



Science



Physical Education



Personal Development (Life)

Alongside these core subjects, students choose from a wide range of GCSE and vocational options, including:

• Art

• Business Studies

• Design & Technology

• Drama and Performing Arts

• Food & Nutrition

• French

• Geography

• History

• Media Studies

• Music

• Sport Studies

• Textiles

• Triple Science



WORK HARD

through ambitious learning.



SHOW RESPECT

for different ideas, perspectives and cultures.



TAKE PART

in every opportunity to learn, create and discover.

LITERACY AND READING

UNLOCKING SUCCESS THROUGH LITERACY

At Pakefield High School, we believe that literacy is the foundation of learning. Strong reading, writing, speaking and communication skills open doors to success across every subject and prepare young people for life beyond the classroom.



READ

Developing confident readers through dedicated reading time and high-quality texts.



WRITE

Building strong writing skills across all subjects, helping students express their ideas clearly.



COMMUNICATE

Encouraging discussion, listening and oracy to help students communicate with confidence and respect.



CREATING A CULTURE OF READING

We are passionate about developing lifelong readers. We believe that reading is one of the most powerful ways to improve academic achievement, broaden horizons and develop confident, curious learners.

Every tutor group participates in dedicated reading sessions during form time each week. These sessions provide a calm space to enjoy a wide range of texts, high-quality fiction, language mastery and non-fiction, and explore new ideas, experiences and perspectives.

Reading together helps to foster a culture where books, stories and knowledge are celebrated across the school community.

Our aim is not only to improve reading ability but also to help every student build their vocabulary and confidence that comes from reading regularly.



BUILDING VOCABULARY WITH BEDROCK LEARNING

All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 use Bedrock Learning to develop vocabulary, reading comprehension and writing skills through engaging online activities.



DEVELOP
A WIDER
VOCABULARY



IMPROVE
READING
COMPREHENSION



STRENGTHEN
WRITING
SKILLS



BUILD CONFIDENCE
WITH CHALLENGING
TEXTS



REINFORCE LEARNING
ACROSS THE
CURRICULUM

Bedrock Learning

LITERACY ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

Every teacher is a teacher of literacy.

Across all subjects, students are taught the specific reading, writing and communication skills needed for success within different disciplines.

Whether analysing historical sources, evaluating scientific explanations, interpreting geographical data or constructing persuasive arguments, students learn how literacy supports learning in every area of the curriculum.



SUBJECT VOCABULARY

Building and using subject-specific vocabulary confidently.



READING STRATEGIES

Developing comprehension and analysis across a range of texts.



EXTENDED WRITING

Crafting clear, structured and well-argued written work.



ACADEMIC COMMUNICATION

Developing clarity and precision in explaining ideas and arguments.



SPEAKING & LISTENING

Building confidence through discussion, presentation and active listening.

DIGITAL LEARNING

PREPARING STUDENTS FOR A DIGITAL FUTURE

Technology plays a vital role in education, employment and everyday life. At Pakefield High School, we ensure students develop the digital knowledge, skills and confidence needed to succeed in an increasingly connected world.



DEVELOP
DIGITAL SKILLS



USE TECHNOLOGY
RESPONSIBLY



BE CREATIVE
AND INNOVATIVE



PREPARE FOR
THE FUTURE



EXCELLENT FACILITIES

Students benefit from access to high-quality specialist facilities, including:

- ✓ Three dedicated computer suites
- ✓ A specialist Media Suite
- ✓ Interactive classroom technology
- ✓ Curriculum-specific software and digital resources



DIGITAL SKILLS ACROSS THE CURRICULUM



Students use technology every day to enhance learning by:

- Researching and retrieving information
- Creating presentations and digital content
- Developing problem-solving and computational thinking skills
- Producing creative media and design projects
- Analysing data and presenting findings
- Collaborating and communicating effectively

OUR VALUES IN ACTION



WORK HARD

Develop the digital skills needed for future success.



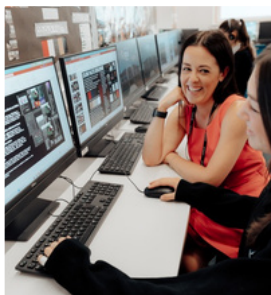
SHOW RESPECT

Use technology safely and responsibly.



TAKE PART

In the opportunities that technology provides for learning, creativity and innovation.



COMPUTER SCIENCE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

Students explore programming, cyber security, digital systems, data and information, and online safety – equipping them for future careers in technology and beyond.

CREATIVE DIGITAL LEARNING

In our specialist Media Suite, students explore photography, graphic design, digital publishing, video production and content creation – combining creativity with technical skills.

ONLINE SAFETY AND DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Students learn how to stay safe online, protect their information, identify misinformation, communicate respectfully and develop a positive digital footprint.



STEM & INNOVATION

Inspiring Curiosity. Solving Problems. Shaping the Future.

At Pakefield High School, we believe that today's students will help shape tomorrow's world. Through Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), we encourage students to think critically, solve complex problems and develop the skills needed for an increasingly innovative and technological future.

STEM education is about far more than individual subjects. It develops creativity, resilience, teamwork and analytical thinking, helping students become confident learners who can approach challenges with curiosity and determination.



LEARNING THROUGH INVESTIGATION

We want our students to think like scientists, engineers and innovators.

-  Ask thoughtful questions
-  Test hypotheses and evaluate evidence
-  Analyse information and identify patterns
-  Apply mathematical thinking to solve problems
-  Use technology creatively and effectively
-  Develop solutions to real-world challenges

This investigative approach helps students develop independence, resilience and confidence in their own abilities.



TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAL INNOVATION

Technology is an integral part of modern STEM education. Students benefit from access to our three specialist computer suites and dedicated Media Suite, where they can develop programming, digital, creative and technical skills that support learning across the curriculum.

Through Computer Science and digital learning opportunities, students explore:

-  Programming and coding
-  Computational thinking
-  Cyber security
-  Digital systems
-  Data analysis
-  Creative digital design

These experiences help students become confident and responsible users of technology while introducing them to a wide range of future careers.



INSPIRING FUTURE CAREERS

STEM-related careers are among the fastest-growing and most exciting sectors in the modern economy. Through our curriculum, careers programme and enrichment opportunities, students gain an understanding of the many pathways available within science, engineering, technology, mathematics and related industries.



Whether students aspire to become engineers, healthcare professionals, programmers, scientists, designers or technicians, we aim to provide the knowledge, skills and inspiration needed to pursue ambitious goals.



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CONFIDENCE, MADE AMAZING FRIENDS AND
DISCOVERED OPPORTUNITIES I NEVER THOUGHT
I'D HAVE. EVERY DAY ENCOURAGES ME TO WORK
HARD AND ACHIEVE MY BEST. ”**
— YEAR 9 STUDENT



ACHIEVEMENT & RECOGNITION

Celebrating Success in All Its Forms

At Pakefield High School, we believe that achievement should be recognised, celebrated and valued. Success comes in many forms, and we are proud of the accomplishments of our students both inside and outside the classroom.

While academic outcomes are important, we also celebrate effort, resilience, leadership, kindness, attendance, personal development and contributions to our school community. Every student has the opportunity to succeed, and we are committed to recognising progress as well as attainment.



RECOGNISING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

We celebrate students who demonstrate excellent progress, outstanding effort and a commitment to learning across all subjects.



REWARDING POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS

We celebrate students who show respect, demonstrate excellent behaviour, support others and contribute to our school community.



TAKING PART & GETTING INVOLVED

Whether through sport, the arts, leadership, clubs or volunteering, we encourage every student to take part and make the most of school life.



CELEBRATING EVERY ACHIEVEMENT

Success looks different for every student. We aim to ensure that every student feels recognised, valued and proud of their achievements.



CAREERS & FUTURE DESTINATIONS



Raising Aspirations.

We inspire every student to aim higher and believe in their potential.



Creating Opportunities.

From real-world experiences to expert guidance, we open doors to brighter futures.



Securing Futures.

We empower students with the skills, confidence and support to achieve successful and fulfilling destinations.



At Pakefield High School, we believe every student deserves a successful future. Our careers programme is designed to **raise aspirations, broaden horizons** and help students make **informed decisions** about their next steps.

From **Year 7 onwards**, students are encouraged to think about their strengths, interests and ambitions, while developing the **knowledge, skills and confidence** needed to succeed in an ever-changing world.

We want every student to leave Pakefield with a **clear sense of purpose** and a pathway that is right for them, whether that leads to sixth form, college, apprenticeships, employment or further training.



DISCOVER

Explore your strengths, interests and ambitions.



LEARN

Develop knowledge and skills through inspiring lessons and experiences.



EXPERIENCE

Gain real-world insight through employers, trips and workshops.



DECIDE

Make informed choices about your next steps.



SUCCEED

Progress to sixth form, college, apprenticeships, university or employment.

DEVELOPING EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

Academic qualifications are important, but they are only part of the picture. Through lessons, enrichment activities, leadership opportunities and employer engagement, students develop the wider skills that employers value most, including:

- Communication
- Teamwork
- Problem solving
- Resilience
- Leadership
- Organisation
- Independence

These experiences help students understand how the skills they develop in school connect directly to future careers and opportunities.

REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES

We believe careers education should be meaningful and relevant. Students are provided with opportunities to:

- Meet employers and professionals
- Explore different career sectors
- Attend careers events and workshops
- Receive guidance from careers specialists
- Learn about apprenticeship and technical pathways
- Explore further and higher education opportunities

By engaging with the world beyond school, students gain valuable insights into the wide range of possibilities available to them.

PERSONALISED GUIDANCE

Every student has different ambitions and questions. Our careers programme offers individual guidance and support to help students make informed choices and build a positive post-16 pathway and future direction.

Students are encouraged to set ambitions, gain self-belief and develop the resilience to achieve their goals. We help every student to make young people see the value and impact they need at key transition points throughout their education.

OUTSTANDING OUTCOMES

We are particularly proud of the success our students achieve when they leave Pakefield High School.

Year after year, Pakefield consistently achieves some of the strongest post-16 destination outcomes locally. We're known for the quality guidance, support and preparation students receive throughout their time with us, ensuring they move successfully into the next stage of their education, training or employment.

Our focus is not simply on helping students leave school with qualifications; it is on ensuring they leave with a clear destination, a sense of ambition and the confidence to succeed.



PASTORAL CARE & WELLBEING

Every Student Known, Valued and Supported

At Pakefield High School, we believe students achieve their best when they feel safe, supported and valued. Academic success and personal wellbeing go hand in hand, which is why pastoral care is at the heart of everything we do.

We are proud to be a school where every student is known as an individual. Through strong relationships, high expectations and a genuine sense of community, we help young people develop the confidence and resilience to thrive.



DEDICATED SUPPORT

Every student belongs to a tutor group and is supported by a Form Tutor who acts as their first point of contact throughout the school day. Form Tutors work closely with families, teachers and Heads of Year to provide guidance, encouragement and support.

Alongside our tutor system, students benefit from the expertise of our wider pastoral team, who work together to ensure that every young person receives the care and support they need to succeed.



PROMOTING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Our values of Work Hard, Show Respect, Take Part, underpin daily life at Pakefield.

We promote kindness, responsibility and mutual respect, encouraging students to make positive choices, take ownership of their actions and contribute positively to the school community.

Through assemblies, personal development lessons and everyday interactions, students develop the character and confidence needed for future success.



SUPPORTING WELLBEING

Student wellbeing is a key priority. We know that young people sometimes face challenges, and we are committed to ensuring that support is always available.

Whether students need help with friendships, confidence, emotional wellbeing, attendance or personal concerns, there is always a trusted adult ready to listen and help. We also work closely with families and external agencies to provide additional support where required.



WORKING WITH FAMILIES

We believe the strongest outcomes are achieved when schools and families work together. Open communication and strong partnerships enable us to celebrate successes, overcome challenges and support every child throughout their journey at Pakefield.



A SCHOOL WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS

We are committed to creating an inclusive environment where every student feels welcome, respected and able to participate fully in school life.

Our aim is simple: to ensure that every student feels supported to work hard, show respect and take part with confidence.



WORK HARD

knowing support is always available.



SHOW RESPECT

through positive relationships and kindness.



TAKE PART

in a school community where everyone belongs.



SEND & INCLUSION

A School Where Everyone Belongs

At Pakefield High School, we are committed to ensuring that every student feels valued, included and able to achieve their full potential. We celebrate the strengths and talents of every young person and believe that all students should have access to a high-quality education, regardless of their starting point.



SUPPORTING EVERY LEARNER

We recognise that students learn in different ways and may require different levels of support. Our dedicated SEND team works closely with students, families and teachers to provide the guidance, intervention and encouragement needed for every student to succeed.

Through personalised support and high expectations, we help students overcome barriers to learning, build confidence and make excellent progress.



HIGH-QUALITY TEACHING FOR ALL

At Pakefield, we believe that every teacher is a teacher of additional needs. Lessons are carefully adapted so that all students can access the curriculum, participate fully and experience success.

Students benefit from:

- Adapted teaching and learning strategies
- Clear routines and expectations
- High-quality literacy support
- Targeted interventions where needed
- Appropriate challenge and support



SPECIALIST SUPPORT

Where additional support is required, students may access:

- Literacy and reading interventions
- Lexia support programmes
- Small-group interventions
- Academic mentoring
- Pastoral and wellbeing support
- Individual learning plans

All interventions are closely monitored to ensure they have a positive impact on student progress and independence.



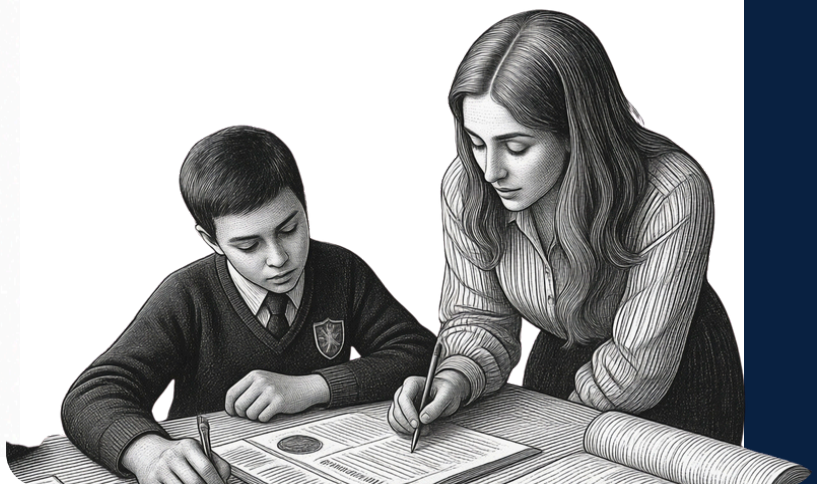
WORKING WITH FAMILIES

Strong partnerships with families are central to our approach. We work closely with parents and carers through regular communication, review meetings and shared planning to ensure that support remains effective and centred on the needs of the young person.



INCLUSION BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Inclusion extends beyond lessons. We encourage all students to participate fully in enrichment activities, educational visits, leadership opportunities, performances and sporting events. Our aim is for every student to feel a genuine sense of belonging and to have the confidence to contribute positively to school life.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP & VOICE



Empowering Students to Lead and Make a Difference

At Pakefield High School, we believe that every student has a voice and can play an active role in shaping our school community. Through leadership opportunities and regular student feedback, we encourage young people to take responsibility, contribute positively and make a difference.



EVERY VOICE MATTERS

We regularly seek student views through surveys, discussions and leadership groups, ensuring that students help shape school improvement and community life.



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Students can take on a variety of leadership roles, including:

- Student Leaders
- Student Ambassadors
- Reading Champions
- Sports Leaders
- School Council Representatives
- Open Evening Ambassadors
- Transition Leaders
- Peer Mentors

These roles help students develop confidence, communication, teamwork and leadership skills while serving as positive role models for others.



LEARNING THROUGH LEADERSHIP

Student leaders play an important role in supporting younger students, welcoming new arrivals and representing the school at events and within the local community.

Whether leading an activity, helping at Open Evening or supporting Year 6 transition, students develop valuable skills that prepare them for future education, employment and life beyond school.



WORK HARD

to be a positive role model.



SHOW RESPECT

by listening to and valuing others.



TAKE PART

in making a difference to school life.



At Pakefield High School, leadership is not reserved for a select few. We believe every student has the potential to lead, contribute and inspire others.



**“EVERY STUDENT IS KNOWN, EVERY SUCCESS IS
CELEBRATED AND EVERY YOUNG PERSON IS
ENCOURAGED TO BECOME THE VERY BEST
VERSION OF THEMSELVES. ”**
— PARENT



UNIFORM & SCHOOL LIFE

Proud to Be Pakefield

At Pakefield High School, we have high expectations and a strong sense of community. Guided by our values of **Work Hard. Show Respect. Take Part.**, we create a calm, positive environment where students feel safe, supported and ready to learn.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our uniform promotes equality, pride and a sense of belonging. Students are expected to wear their uniform smartly and represent the school with pride.

KEY ITEMS INCLUDE:



School blazer or jumper



White shirt or blouse



School tie



Black or dark grey trousers, shorts or Pakefield skirt



Formal black school shoes



A full PE kit is also required for PE lessons.



NEED SUPPORT?

Financial support and loan uniforms are available for families who need assistance. Please contact us in confidence to find out more.



THE SCHOOL DAY

All students benefit from an enhanced timetable that increases curriculum time and supports even greater learning.



8:30 AM

SCHOOL STARTS



5 LESSONS

MONDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY



6 LESSONS

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY



APPROXIMATELY

78

ADDITIONAL HOURS OF LEARNING EVERY YEAR



A WIDE RANGE OF CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES CONTINUE AFTER SCHOOL

LIFE BEYOND LESSONS

There is much more to Pakefield than the classroom. Students are encouraged to get involved in:



SPORTS CLUBS & TEAMS



PERFORMING ARTS & PRODUCTIONS



EDUCATIONAL VISITS & TRIPS



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



COMMUNITY PROJECTS



ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT



We believe the best education extends beyond the classroom. Every student is encouraged to explore new interests, discover their talents and create memories that last a lifetime.

A COMMUNITY WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS

We want every student to feel proud to be part of Pakefield High School. Through strong relationships, high expectations and a wealth of opportunities, we help young people grow into confident, responsible and successful adults.



WORK HARD

in everything you do.



SHOW RESPECT

for yourself and others.



TAKE PART

in the opportunities school life has to offer.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Stronger Together

At Pakefield High School, we believe education extends beyond the classroom. By working closely with families, primary schools, employers, community organisations and the Clarion Corvus Trust, we provide students with experiences that broaden horizons, raise aspirations and prepare them for the future.



WORKING TOGETHER

Our strong partnerships help students flourish through:

- ✓ Close collaboration with families
- ✓ Successful transition from primary school
- ✓ Employer and careers partnerships
- ✓ Community projects and volunteering
- ✓ Trust-wide opportunities and collaboration

These relationships help students develop confidence, ambition and a sense of responsibility to the wider community.



PART OF THE COMMUNITY

We are proud to play an active role in our local community.



Through fundraising, leadership, volunteering and community events, students learn the importance of making a positive contribution and supporting others.



PART OF THE CLARION CORVUS TRUST

As a member of the Clarion Corvus Trust, we benefit from working alongside other schools to:

- ✓ Share expertise
- ✓ Create opportunities
- ✓ Collaborate on initiatives
- ✓ Continually improve the educational experience we offer our students.



A DAY AT PAKEFIELD

Every Day Designed for Success

A typical day at Pakefield High School is busy, purposeful and focused on helping every student achieve their potential.

From the moment students arrive each morning, they are part of a community built around our core values:

Work Hard. Show Respect. Take Part.

Our school day is carefully structured to create a calm, positive learning environment where students can thrive academically, socially and personally.

OUR SCHOOL DAY

All students benefit from an enhanced timetable that increases curriculum time and supports even greater learning.

TIME / DAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
9:30	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2
10:30	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:50	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3
11:50	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4
12:50	Lunch (Y7, 9, 11) / Form (Y8, 10)	Lunch (Y7, 9, 11) / Form (Y8, 10)	Lunch (Y7, 9, 11) / Form (Y8, 10)	Lunch (Y7, 9, 11) / Form (Y8, 10)	Lunch (Y7, 9, 11) / Form (Y8, 10)
13:20	Lunch (Y8, 10) / Form (Y7, 9, 11)	Lunch (Y8, 10) / Form (Y7, 9, 11)	Lunch (Y8, 10) / Form (Y7, 9, 11)	Lunch (Y8, 10) / Form (Y7, 9, 11)	Lunch (Y8, 10) / Form (Y7, 9, 11)
13:50	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5
14:50	End of Day	Period 6	Period 6	End of Day	End of Day
15:50	Clubs	End of Day	End of Day	Clubs	Clubs
	Clubs	Clubs	Clubs	Clubs	Clubs



ARRIVING READY TO LEARN

Students begin each day with clear routines and high expectations that help create a purposeful atmosphere across the school. Strong relationships between students and staff ensure that every young person feels supported, valued and ready to learn.



LEARNING THROUGHOUT THE DAY

Students follow a broad and ambitious curriculum taught by specialist teachers who inspire curiosity, challenge thinking and develop confidence.

Across the week, students engage with a wide range of subjects, including:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- History
- Geography
- Religious Studies
- French
- Food Technology
- Design & Technology
- Art & Design
- Performing Arts
- Music
- Physical Education

Lessons are designed to develop both knowledge and the wider skills needed for future success.



FORM TIME AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Form time is an important part of school life. It provides opportunities for:

- Reading and literacy development
- Assemblies and key messages
- Personal development activities
- Careers and future planning
- Building positive relationships with tutors and peers

These experiences help students develop confidence, character and a strong sense of belonging.

BREAK AND LUNCH



Break and lunchtime provide opportunities for students to socialise, recharge and enjoy time with friends.

Students benefit from a welcoming environment, excellent facilities and a supportive school community.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Discovering Talents, Developing Passions

At Pakefield High School, learning extends far beyond the classroom. Our extensive enrichment programme provides students with opportunities to discover new interests, develop existing talents and build friendships across the school community.



SPORT & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Students can participate in a wide variety of sporting opportunities, including:

- Football
- Rugby
- Netball
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Trampolining
- Gym Club
- Fitness Studio
- School Fixtures and Competitions

These activities help students develop teamwork, resilience, confidence and healthy lifestyles.



CREATIVITY AND THE ARTS

Creative opportunities allow students to express themselves, develop new skills and build confidence through performance and artistic expression.

Activities include:

- Drama Club
- Dance Club
- Art Club
- Piano Practice
- Film Club
- Photoshop Club
- Creative Writing
- Origami Club

Students are encouraged to showcase their talents and explore their creativity in a supportive environment.



STEM AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

For students who enjoy challenge and exploration, our academic enrichment programme includes:

- Further Maths
- Science Ambassadors
- The Brilliant Club
- Literacy and Lexia Clubs
- Homework Support
- Subject Revision Sessions

These opportunities help students deepen their knowledge, strengthen key skills and raise aspirations.



LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

We are committed to developing confident, responsible young people who make a positive contribution to their school and wider community.

Students can take part in:

- Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- Language Leaders
- Young Interpreters
- Science Ambassadors

These programmes help students develop leadership, communication and teamwork skills while supporting others.



CLUBS FOR EVERY INTEREST

Our enrichment programme also includes a range of unique clubs that reflect the interests of our students, including:

- Dungeons & Dragons
- Retro Games Club
- Fantasy Premier League
- Dr Who Club
- Pride Club
- Mindful Colouring Club

These activities help students make connections, build confidence and enjoy being part of school life.



BUILDING SKILLS FOR LIFE

Taking part in extra-curricular activities helps students develop qualities that will benefit them throughout their lives, including:

- Leadership
- Teamwork
- Creativity
- Organisation
- Independence
- Resilience
- Confidence

We believe that some of the most memorable school experiences happen beyond the classroom, and we encourage every student to get involved.



WORK HARD

to develop your talents.



SHOW RESPECT

through teamwork and commitment.



TAKE PART

in everything school life has to offer.



**“I FELT REALLY SUPPORTED WHEN CHOOSING
MY OPTIONS. TEACHERS HELPED ME MAKE THE
RIGHT DECISIONS FOR MY INTERESTS,
STRENGTHS AND FUTURE GOALS.”**
— YEAR 10 STUDENT

SPORT & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Inspiring Participation and Achievement

At Pakefield High School, we believe that sport plays an important role in developing healthy, confident and resilient young people. Through PE lessons, competitive sport and extra-curricular activities, students build physical skills, teamwork, leadership and self-confidence.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR ALL

Our PE curriculum provides every student with opportunities to participate, improve and succeed. Through a broad range of activities, students develop physical fitness, technical skills and an understanding of healthy lifestyles.



OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Students can take part in a wide range of sporting activities, including:

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| • Football | • Cheerleading |
| • Rugby | • Trampolining |
| • Netball | • Gym Club |
| • Basketball | • Fitness Studio |
| • Badminton | • School Pictures and Competitions |

Whether representing the school or trying a new activity, every student is encouraged to get involved.



MORE THAN SPORT

Through participation in sport, students develop valuable life skills including:



Teamwork



Leadership



Resilience



Commitment



Respect



Self-belief



CREATIVE ARTS

Creativity, Confidence and Self-Expression

At Pakefield High School, we believe the creative arts play an important role in helping students develop confidence, imagination and self-expression. Through Art, Drama, Music and digital media, students are encouraged to explore their talents, express their ideas and think creatively.



LEARNING THROUGH CREATIVITY

Our creative curriculum develops practical skills, artistic understanding and confidence through a range of experiences in:

- Art and Design
- Music
- Drama and Performance
- Digital Media

Students are encouraged to experiment, take creative risks and take pride in their achievements.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Creativity extends beyond lessons through a range of enrichment opportunities, including:

- Drama Club
- Film Club
- Dance Club
- Piano Practice
- Art Club
- Creative Writing
- Photoshop Club
- Origami Club

Students also have opportunities to showcase their talents through performances, exhibitions and school events.



SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE

Participation in the arts helps students develop valuable life skills, including:



Creativity



Communication



Collaboration



Problem solving



Adaptability



Confidence



ADMISSIONS & TRANSITION

The Start of an Exciting Journey

Moving to secondary school is an important milestone, and at Pakefield High School we work closely with students, families and primary schools to ensure a smooth and successful transition.



SUPPORTING A SUCCESSFUL START

Our transition programme helps students settle quickly, build confidence and feel part of the Pakefield community from day one. It includes:

- ✓ Visits to primary schools
- ✓ Transition and induction events
- ✓ Parent information evenings
- ✓ Opportunities to meet key staff
- ✓ Activities designed to build friendships and confidence

Our Student Ambassadors and Leaders also play an important role in welcoming new students and helping them feel at home.



PERSONALISED SUPPORT

We recognise that every child is different. Our pastoral and SEND teams work closely with families to provide additional support where needed, ensuring every student feels confident, supported and ready to succeed.



WORKING WITH FAMILIES

Strong partnerships with parents and carers are central to a successful transition. Through regular communication and support, we ensure families feel informed and involved throughout the process.



A PLACE TO BELONG

From academic learning and enrichment opportunities to sport, leadership and the arts, students quickly discover that there is a place for everyone at Pakefield.



WORK HARD

as you begin your secondary school journey.



SHOW RESPECT

for yourself, others and new opportunities.



TAKE PART

in everything school life has to offer.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Here are answers to some of the questions we are most often asked.



1 WHAT TIME DOES THE SCHOOL DAY START AND FINISH?

From September 2026, the school day begins at 8:30am.

- Monday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30am – 2:50pm
- Tuesday and Wednesday: 8:30am – 3:50pm

This enhanced timetable provides students with approximately 78 additional hours of learning each academic year, helping to maximise achievement and progress.



2 HOW DO STUDENTS TRAVEL TO SCHOOL?

Students travel to Pakefield High School in a variety of ways including walking, cycling, public transport and dedicated school transport services.

Information regarding bus routes and transport arrangements is available from Suffolk County Council and the school.



3 WHAT UNIFORM IS REQUIRED?

Students are expected to wear the full school uniform and PE kit, helping to promote a sense of pride, belonging and equality.

Full details of our uniform requirements can be found in the School Uniform Policy, available on our website. Financial support may be available for families requiring assistance.



4 HOW DO YOU SUPPORT STUDENTS MOVING FROM PRIMARY SCHOOL?

We have a comprehensive transition programme that includes:

- Visits to primary schools
- Transition and induction days
- Parent and carer information evenings
- Opportunities to meet key staff
- Student ambassador support
- Additional transition arrangements where needed

Our aim is to ensure that every child feels confident, prepared and excited about joining Pakefield High School.



5 HOW DO YOU SUPPORT STUDENTS WITH SEND?

Our dedicated SEND team works closely with students, families and teaching staff to ensure that all learners receive the support they need to thrive.

Support may include:

- Adapted teaching strategies
- Literacy and learning interventions
- Pastoral support
- Individual learning plans
- Additional transition support
- Collaboration with external agencies

We believe that every student deserves the opportunity to succeed and participate fully in school life.



6 WHAT EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE?

We offer a wide range of clubs and enrichment opportunities before school, at lunchtime and after school.

These include:

- Football
- Rugby
- Netball
- Basketball
- Badminton
- Cheerleading and Trampolining
- Drama Club
- Dance Club
- Art Club
- Film Club
- Photoshop Club
- Further Maths
- Science Ambassadors
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- Dungeons & Dragons
- Retro Games Club
- Pride Club
- Language Leaders

New activities are introduced throughout the year in response to student interests.



7 HOW DO STUDENTS RECEIVE PASTORAL SUPPORT?

Every student is part of a tutor group and is supported by a Form Tutor, Year Lead and wider pastoral team.

We place a strong emphasis on wellbeing, positive relationships and early intervention, ensuring that students always have someone they can talk to if they need support.



8 HOW DOES THE SCHOOL COMMUNICATE WITH PARENTS AND CARERS?

We believe that strong partnerships with families are essential to student success.

Communication takes place through:

- Parent evenings
- Progress reports
- School communications and newsletters
- Information evenings
- Telephone and email contact
- School website and social media channels



9 HOW DO YOU RECOGNISE AND REWARD ACHIEVEMENT?

Achievement is celebrated in many ways across the school, including:

- Awards and certificates
- Celebration assemblies
- Positive recognition from staff
- Attendance awards
- Subject commendations
- Leadership opportunities

We celebrate effort, progress, character and participation, as well as academic success.



10 WHAT HAPPENS WHEN STUDENTS LEAVE PAKEFIELD?

Students move on to a wide range of destinations including sixth forms, further education colleges, apprenticeships and employment with training.

We are proud that year after year, Pakefield achieves exceptionally strong destination outcomes.

Through high-quality careers guidance and personalised support, students leave us with clear plans and ambitious futures.



11 CAN I VISIT THE SCHOOL BEFORE APPLYING?

Absolutely. We encourage all prospective families to attend our Open Evening, visit during transition events and explore the opportunities available at Pakefield High School.

There is no substitute for experiencing our school community first-hand and meeting the students and staff who make Pakefield such a special place to learn.



12 WHY CHOOSE PAKEFIELD HIGH SCHOOL?

At Pakefield High School, students benefit from:

- High expectations and strong academic standards
- Outstanding pastoral support
- A broad and ambitious curriculum
- Extensive enrichment opportunities
- Excellent careers education
- Strong community partnerships
- Inclusive values and a welcoming culture

Most importantly, students become part of a community where they are encouraged to **Work Hard, Show Respect and Take Part** every day.

CONTACT US

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Whether you are considering Pakefield High School for your child, have a question about admissions, or would like to learn more about life at our school, our team is always happy to help.

We believe that strong relationships with students, families and the wider community are at the heart of a successful school, and we look forward to welcoming you to Pakefield High School.



GET IN TOUCH

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