### **Welcome to UCC**

Welcome to Uppingham Community College.
We are very proud of our history and heritage,
but we are very much a forward thinking school.
Our key values as a school community are:
Respect, Honesty and Kindness. Everything we do
is based upon these simple core principles.

We are committed to the highest standards of education and have invested in staff, facilities and resources to ensure all of our students acquire the knowledge and skills required to succeed in an ever changing world.

We teach a curriculum which delivers a truly great all round education and we provide an extensive range of enrichment opportunities across all subjects. We understand the importance of young people feeling safe and happy at school and we work tremendously hard to ensure the environment at UCC is welcoming, positive, safe and focused on learning.

Uppingham Community College is a wonderful place to learn and to work and we hope our prospectus will give you an insight into our fantastic school.

Our vision as a school is simple:

"Everyone at UCC thrives, making excellent progress in their learning, achievement and development."



# Developing amazing young people

A fundamental part of our school ethos is to help shape our students into amazing young people. Helping our students develop into respectful, honest and kind members of society is just as important to us as the qualifications they leave school with.

## To achieve this, we commit ourselves to:

- knowing our students as individuals
- genuinely caring about them
- guiding them towards consistently making good choices
- helping them develop qualities such as empathy, compassion, resilience and respect
- being relentlessly ambitious for them and what they can achieve

### The Curriculum

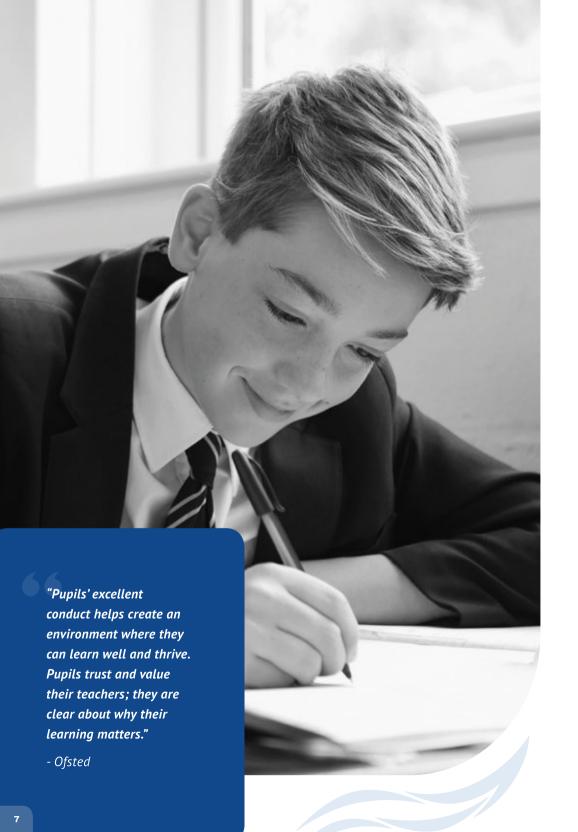
At Uppingham Community College we are passionate about learning and a key focus for us is creating the conditions where everyone in school can thrive. Our curriculum is ambitious and provides a depth and breadth of knowledge to our students, deepening their understanding and allowing for skilful performance.

#### We define:

- Knowledge as facts, information, concepts and key terminology.
- Understanding as the ability to connect and synthesise knowledge within a context.
- Skill as the successful application of knowledge and understanding to a specific task.

We believe knowledge and understanding form the building blocks for successful learning. Therefore, knowledge and understanding is taught explicitly to students so they can apply them skilfully within a variety of contexts. We aim to create well rounded individuals through a broad range of curriculum experiences where all areas of the curriculum are valued and promoted.





# Academic performance

Uppingham Community College is a high performing school. Our students consistently achieve GCSE outcomes that are significantly higher than the national averages. We have a highly aspirational culture where we challenge students to continually strive for excellence. As a result, we have a classroom climate across the school that is calm and focused on learning.

"UCC is friendly and open. School is a kind place. You don't need to change who you are."

- Year 11 student.



# Extra-Curricular Activities

At Uppingham Community College we believe that opportunities to learn, develop and grow outside of the classroom are essential to all young people. Our extra-curricular provision enables students to engage in a wide range of activities across a broad spectrum of disciplines. Physical activity and sport are a key feature of this provision but there are opportunities for students to participate in enrichment programmes across all subjects. Our Learning Enrichment Activities Programme provides more details of what is available each year.

### Additionally, we organise a series of inspirational educational trips and visits each year, including:

- Junior and Senior Ski Trips to Austria
- O Don Bosco sporting exchange in Belgium
- Spanish exchange to Andalucía
- Extensive curriculum visits to educational locations and facilities in the UK
- ACE days (Additional Curriculum Enhancement days)

"I love UCC because the staff are always determined to help; they see things in you that you didn't know you were capable of." - Year 10 student