



Learning together,  
Learning for all,  
Learning for life.



# WELCOME

**“Our vision for the Hollinwood Academy is to create a learning environment in Oldham that is aspirational, successful and sustainable for the children, young people and their families, which is based upon the core values and mission of the New Bridge Group - Learning Together, Learning for All.”**

The Academy is a specialist school for children aged 4 to 19 that are on the autistic spectrum and/or have significant communication and interaction difficulties. Our staff work together with parents and carers to ensure each and every child is provided with the right learning environment to achieve positive outcomes. The New Bridge Group also has established partnerships with mainstream schools and community providers that will be extended and embraced by the Hollinwood Academy for the benefit of its pupils.

Choosing the Hollinwood Academy is a positive choice for your child to ensure they are within a learning environment that is right for them. Please feel free to contact either myself or one of my colleagues if you require further information. Contact details can be found at the back of this leaflet.

**We look forward to working together,  
Graham Quinn, Executive Principal**



# CURRICULUM

The Academy provides a school curriculum that is designed to ensure all pupils have access to a multitude of creative offerings that meet their individual needs. This curriculum is designed through the New Bridge Group partnerships and schools that they work with to make sure the curriculum remains at the forefront and is innovative.

The curriculum at Foundation, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 promotes key skills in literacy and numeracy with an emphasis on independence, behaviour, social and language development. All other subjects of the national curriculum are also covered to ensure breadth and balance for pupils.

At Key Stage 3 pupils follow a rich and diverse curriculum that enables them to make appropriate choices as they move through into Key Stages 4 and 5 with the support of the New Bridge Group's specialist facilitators .

At Key Stage 4 the young people move into a full option programme to continue on an academic route (with the support of the group and its partners) with specialist pathway options such as Active8 – Sports, Lumenus – Arts, Hortus – Horticulture, Digit4II – ICT, alternatively they can personalise their timetable to meet their individual needs and interests.

Key Stage 5 provides the pupils with the opportunity to move onto the Multi Academy Trust's innovative and highly acclaimed work programme – Bridging the Gap, which enables them to establish further independence through access to our on-site retail units.



## EXTRA CURRICULAR

All of the children and young people, at whatever age, can benefit from The New Bridge Group's unique extra-curricular offer. All pupils and students can access after school clubs (presently until 5pm). Breakfast clubs run on a daily basis.

Holiday clubs run throughout the school holidays, except for Christmas and 2 weeks at the end of the summer vacation. All pupils are provided with the opportunity to go on residential throughout their time at the Academy and we also regularly attend arts and cultural activities as well as sporting events, which form part of our annual learning plans.

Overall the Academy aims to provide support to families by ensuring we provide safe and interesting extra-curricular clubs that are affordable.



## CARE & GUIDANCE

The Hollinwood Academy provides a truly holistic package with staff from the Academy being supported by professionals on speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, nursing and family support teams. We also have in-house social workers who work alongside benefit officers, pastoral managers, counsellors and wider support networks.



## SPORTS & FACILITIES

The Hollinwood Academy campus is designed with a focus on community engagement and has excellent facilities which include:

- On-site retail units
- Swimming pool
- Theatre
- Recording studio
- A purpose built ball hall
- Large indoor soft play centre

Our pupils are encouraged to represent the Academy and town at individual and team sports. The New Bridge Group holds an enviable track record for its pupils representing them at these levels for various sporting events.



## COMMUNITY

The New Bridge Group is aiming for the Hollinwood Academy to become a beacon for Oldham. The Group actively promotes an inclusive agenda that ensures we engage with the community at every level and at all times. In addition to the aforementioned facilities we also have a training and development centre whereby families can come together with nationally recognised experts for informal coffee mornings and other beneficial events that are aimed at providing support.



This leaflet provides an overview of the Hollinwood Academy, we therefore welcome requests for further information. Alternatively, if you would like to discuss your requirements further we can arrange for a member of the team to contact you. Our contact details are:

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