



THE  
**HOLGATE**  
— ACADEMY —



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# WELCOME

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A warm welcome to The Holgate Academy. We are a growing secondary academy for students based in Hucknall.

We support our young people, so they enjoy their time at the academy and play a key part in all that academy life has to offer.

We are immensely proud of the successes achieved by our students and we constantly strive to do more and be even better. Our ultimate purpose is very simple – to do everything that we can to ensure that our students can be successful and leave us ready to take their place in an increasingly complicated and competitive world.

Outstanding teaching and learning is our priority. Our highly qualified and dedicated staff work hard to ensure our students achieve at the highest level, whatever their starting point.

We are very proud of all our achievements, not only in examination success, but also in offering wide ranging and relevant learning experiences beyond the curriculum, equipping all students for success and the next steps in life.

Nothing replaces personal contact, so please join us at our next open event or feel free to contact us if you have a specific question. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to our academy.



**H Diamond**  
Principal



# VISION, VALUES AND ETHOS



# Our ethos

Our academy ethos is based on manners, determination and teamwork. These are important traits in any individual, and by embedding these within everything our students do, they will develop skills and resilience that will serve them well during their education and into their future careers.

## **Manners**

We ensure respect for each other and the environment by encouraging exemplary manners. Students learn in a secure, happy and nurturing environment where care and support for all individuals inspires students to acquire the skills and knowledge needed to achieve their fullest potential in a rapidly changing world.

## **Determination**

We promote aspiration through a determination to learn. Students are enabled to achieve academically, making strong progress underpinned by high quality teaching and high expectations which challenge and empower learning.

## **Teamwork**

We develop and encourage teamwork to ensure that we all work together to create a successful educational experience. Staff, students, parents, carers, governors and the wider community – we are all united in our goal to harness education as the foundation of future success and happiness.

Our ultimate purpose is very simple – to do everything we can to ensure that our students aspire to leave the academy ready to take their place in an increasingly complicated, competitive, yet rewarding world.

## **Our vision**

To inspire.

To raise aspirations.

To create brighter tomorrows.

## **Our values**

We empower

We respect

We care





# Interesting facts

We have our very own Khachkar which represents protection, victory and long life. This was presented to Holgate School (now The Holgate Academy) in 1991 by the Armenian government. The Khachakar is symbolic of a link between the The Lord Byron School in the Republic of Armenia and The Holgate Academy in Hucknall, United Kingdom.



The Holgate Academy has more than 90 thousand meters squared of playing fields which are in use throughout the school year for sport and school events.

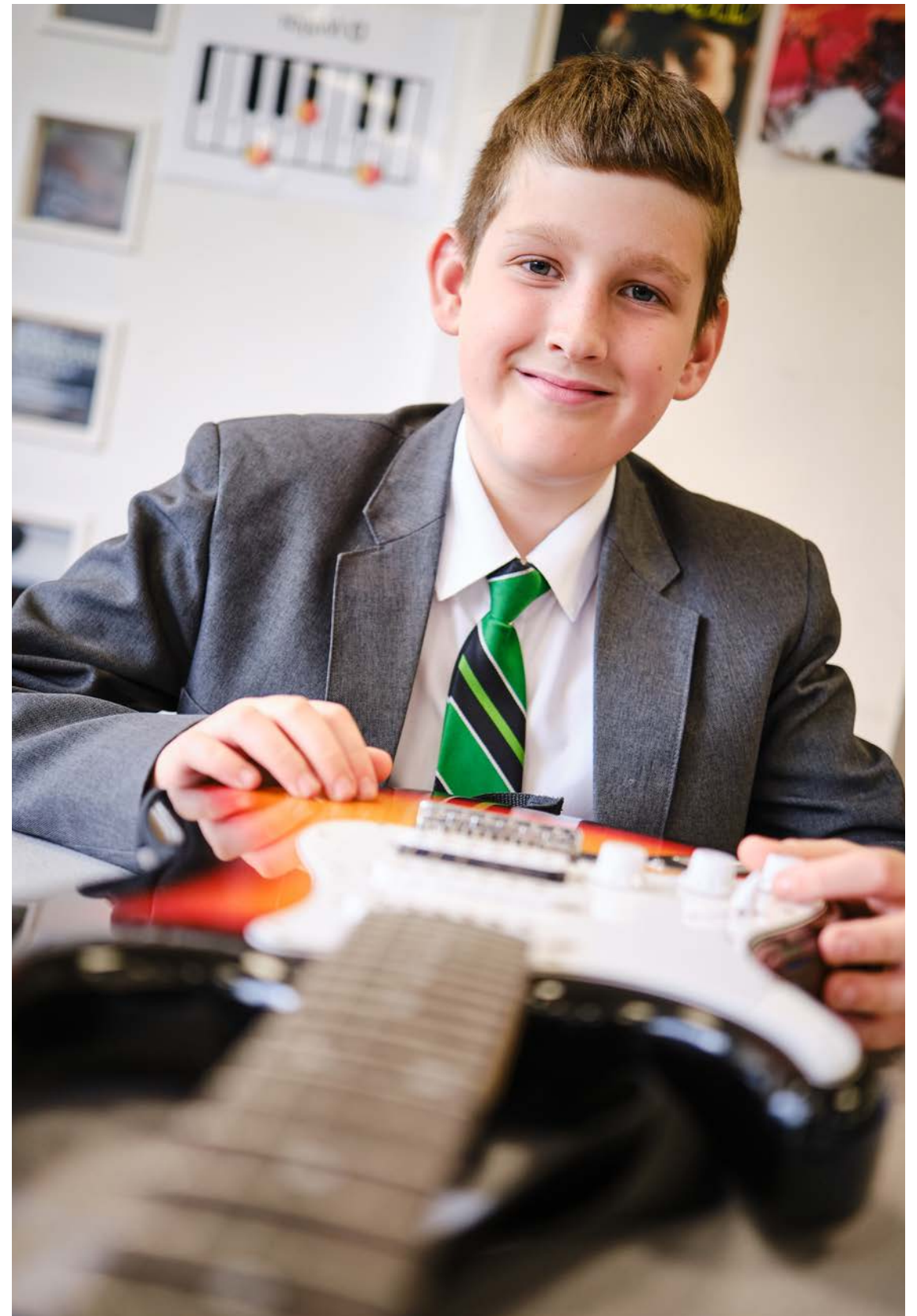


Technology continues to be a part of The Holgate Academy today with the use of iPads and other specialist resources in DT, science, English, music and photography.





# INSPIRING MINDS







**We create an environment that nurtures ability and supports improvement.**

Our staff guide and continually assess students' progress throughout their time at Holgate, with regular parent contact to help support learning.



Our curriculum is broad and balanced, with core studies in English, maths and science, alongside a wider range of subjects to give students the opportunity to develop and showcase their talents.

Students are supported to choose subjects that align to their future education and career goals – they are set challenging individual targets, with our curriculum team carefully meeting the needs of all students. This creates an environment that nurtures ability and supports improvement.





# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM







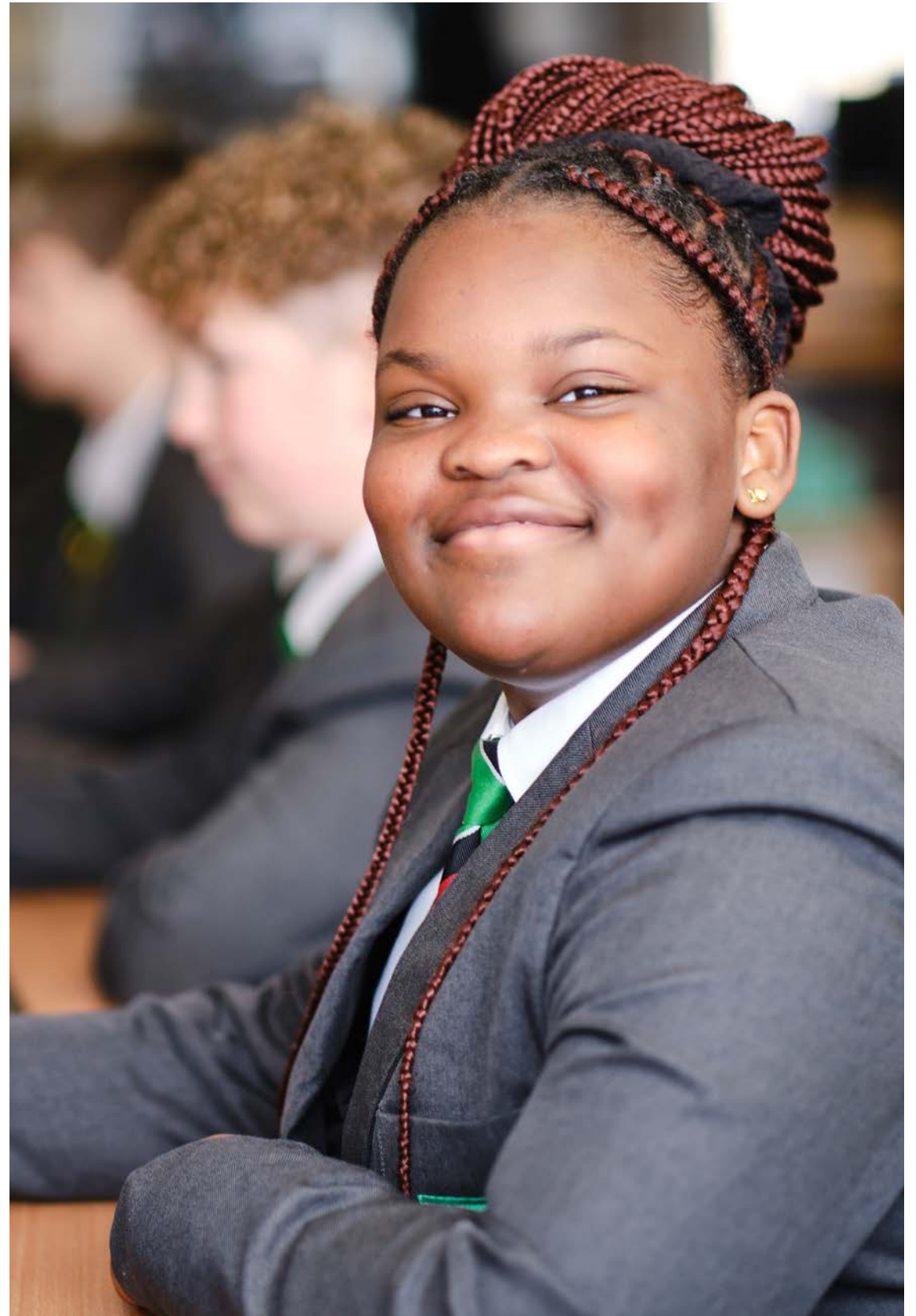
**We offer a wide range of enrichment opportunities to enable students to nurture existing talents or try something new.**

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Outside of the academy timetable there is always something happening, whether in sport, music, drama, dance or clubs linked to specific subject areas. These opportunities are designed to enable all students to get involved and support their personal development.



# A FRIENDLY COMMUNITY





**New students are integrated seamlessly into life at the academy through our tutor system.**

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Our tutor system welcomes new students to the academy by placing them in one of nine tutor groups. Each group, led by a tutor, provides support and advice to a maximum of 30 students. Every morning, students spend 20 minutes in their tutor groups, engaging in activities focused on academy principles. Older students act as buddies to new students, guiding them and answering questions.



To ensure our students achieve their potential, we place great emphasis on providing a dedicated support system – covering pastoral care and assistance for those with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

The academy's 'climate for learning' structure ensures that any student who requires additional support receives this through normal timetabled provision. In addition to this, there is a large team of experienced teaching assistants who provide individual and small group support to students.

Our teaching staff all practice an inclusive style of teaching, ensuring individual students' needs are met and that they are able to achieve their academic potential.





**We equip students for success**



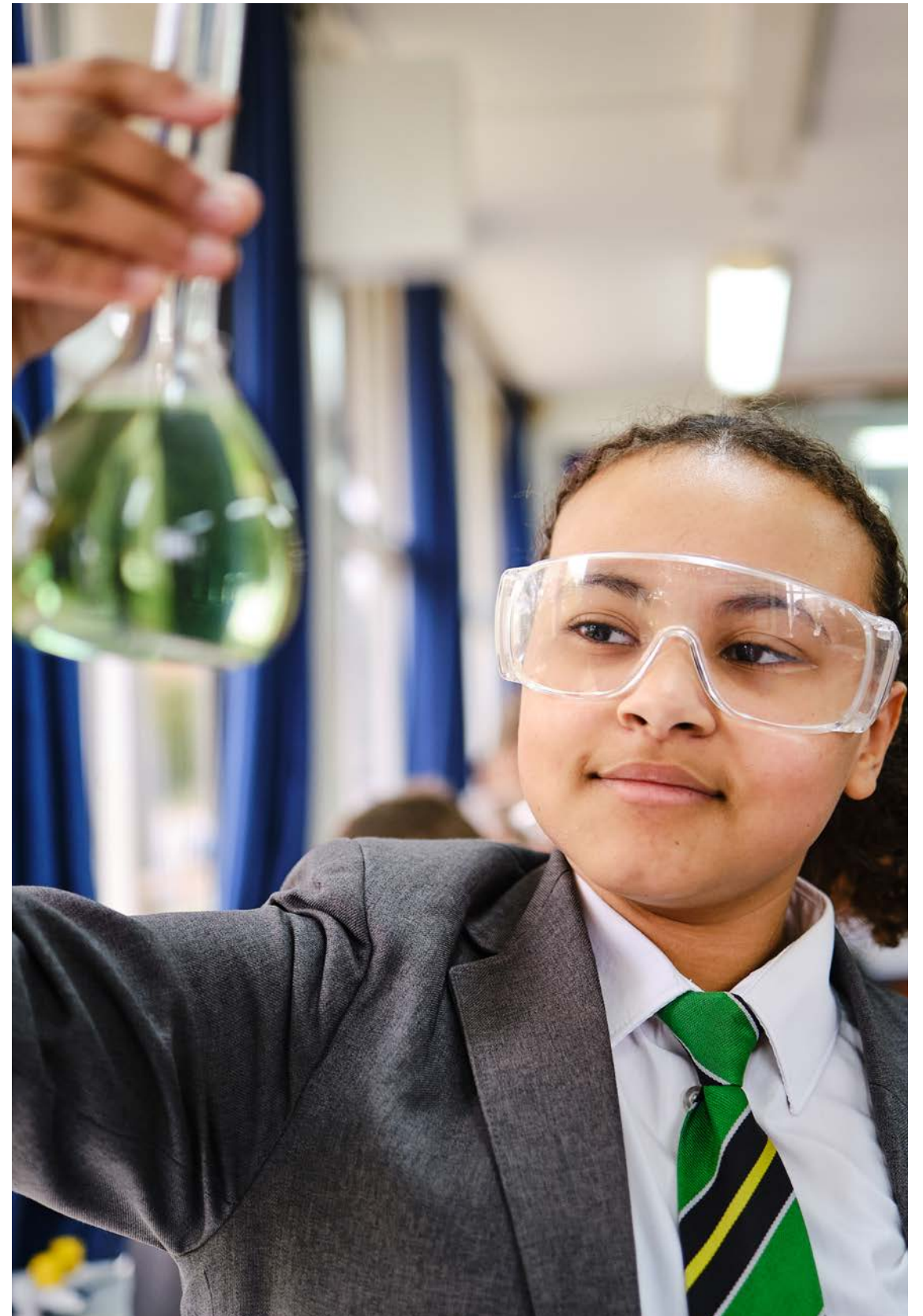
**Perform in the present**

**Respect the past**

**Plan for the future**



READY  
FOR THE  
FUTURE







**We are proud to offer an excellent careers service for our students and regularly evaluate our provision against the Gatsby Benchmarks to ensure that our provision continues to meet the needs of our students.**

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We have strong links with business and industry, giving our students an abundance of opportunities to engage with future employers and to take part in industry-sponsored activities to supplement classroom learning. Students regularly take part in employer engagement activities to give them experience of the world of work. Careers learning is integrated across our curriculum to help prepare our students for the future.



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# Admissions

To apply for a place at The Holgate Academy, parents and carers need to submit an application to Nottinghamshire County Council. The application process for year 7 normally opens in August each year, closing in late October, with offers made to families in the following March.

Further details of how to apply can be found on the 'admissions' section of our website.

**[www.holgate-ac.org.uk](http://www.holgate-ac.org.uk)**

If you have any questions at all about applying to the academy, please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Phone: 0115 963 2104**  
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