



**BE KIND
BE RESILIENT
BE PROUD**



Prospectus 2018-19

Headteacher's welcome

Welcome to The Rise School. Thank you for taking the time to read our mini prospectus, I hope it provides you with some useful information about our school.

I am passionate about providing the very best educational opportunities in our school community. The Rise is a very special place for autistic children and young people to learn, thrive and be happy, working hand in hand with our families and carers.

Our school values are Be Kind, Be Resilient, Be Proud. They underpin our community and if you visit us you will see examples of these values in action recorded on our 'Kindness Trees' and celebrated through our rewards system which encourages our pupils to develop empathy and compassion. Our environment is one in which we all can feel safe and appreciated for our individual contributions.

Our pupils are some of the most vulnerable children in society and we are passionate about wanting them to blossom and experience success whilst developing confidence and strategies to overcome some of the challenges associated with their autism. I believe that we have a responsibility to ensure we equip our pupils with the confidence and skills to live their lives safely and successfully and go on to take their place within the local community and beyond.

I have the highest expectations and am very aspirational for each and every pupil in our care. We see academic success for our pupils as of equal importance to their social and emotional growth.



Helen Ralston
Interim Headteacher

We constantly review our practice and provide staff training to ensure we are providing the best possible teaching and learning experience for our pupils.

Our "state of the art" building offers an enormous range of learning and social opportunities to our pupils. In addition to the basic core curriculum we provide a range of really exciting and beneficial learning opportunities such as Duke of Edinburgh awards, camping trips, yoga, learning opportunities outside the classroom and mindfulness. As our pupils go into Key Stage 4 (14-16 years) we offer a bespoke curriculum that will provide further opportunities from GCSEs to vocational pathways. I encourage staff to innovate and play to their strengths whilst offering additional opportunities for our pupils to achieve academic success and a personal fulfilment.

Ultimately I am so very proud of the pupils and staff of The Rise School, who together ensure that our school is a very special and exciting place for us all to be.





The Rise School

The Rise School opened in September 2014 under the Government's Free School programme. It is the first school to be opened by the Ambitious about Autism School's Trust, a Multi Academy Trust. The school is registered for pupils aged 4-18 years who have autism. At full capacity the school will have 96 pre-16 pupils on role plus up to 16 pupils in the sixth form.

At The Rise, we are preparing our pupils for the next stage in their lives from the moment they join the school. We believe this to be our core purpose.

At The Rise, leaders have the highest of expectations of our pupils and staff. We have embedded a positive culture of teamwork where relationships between staff and pupils are excellent.

In the last academic year the leadership structure of the school has developed and changed. Ofsted October 2015 – "The pace of improvement has accelerated since the beginning of September when the Head Teacher's appointment became permanent."

At the heart of our school are our values which have been agreed after discussions with all staff and then voted for by the pupils – Be Proud, Be Resilient, Be Kind.

Our curriculum gives all pupils the opportunity to learn and develop in a creative and supportive learning environment where there is a clear focus on recognising achievement, supporting progression and where pupils feel happy and safe. In order for each pupil's needs to be met, the curriculum is personalised, innovative, creative and flexible.

If you would like further information, please contact us and join one of our regular Open Mornings.

Ofsted report

The Rise had its first full Ofsted in June 2017 and was rated as 'Good' in all areas.

Leadership and Management

- Pupils quickly make up for lost ground when they join the school, academically and personally.
- There is a positive culture of teamwork, where staff morale is high.
- The school continues to evolve and grow, as have the team of dedicated and talented staff.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment

- Teaching is effective because lessons are interesting.
- The curriculum is broad, balanced, creative and flexible.
- There are many extra-curricular activities to enrich pupils' learning.
- Teaching assistants guide pupils well in their learning.

Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare

- Pupils flourish in school being their personal development, including their mental well-being, is nurtured.
- Staff are skilled in making sure that the school's routines and rules are consistently applied, resulting in calm and productive lessons.
- There is compelling evidence of rapid improvements in pupils' ability to interact appropriately.

Outcomes for Pupils

- From varying starting points, pupils make good progress
- Progress has sped up as a result of much stronger teaching.
- Learning experiences are meaningful, enjoyable and immensely satisfying.





Parent feedback

New build

“An incredible new build—what visionaries. All staff looked genuinely dedicated, excited and had joyful vision”.



Experience

“This is a dream come true. So beautiful and caring and a wonderful experience for our children. It actually put a lump in my throat.”



Fabulous

“Fabulous school for my child’s specific needs.”



Support

“I couldn't be happier with all the support you give and couldn't wish for a better school for my son!”

Staff

“Amazing leader and fantastic staff and happy children. Outstanding school. Lovely to see how the vision exceeds all expectations.”

Hard work

“Amazing school and leadership. This was my dream school for me and my son. I love this school and would not change anything about it. I love you all for your hard work in this school. Well done.”



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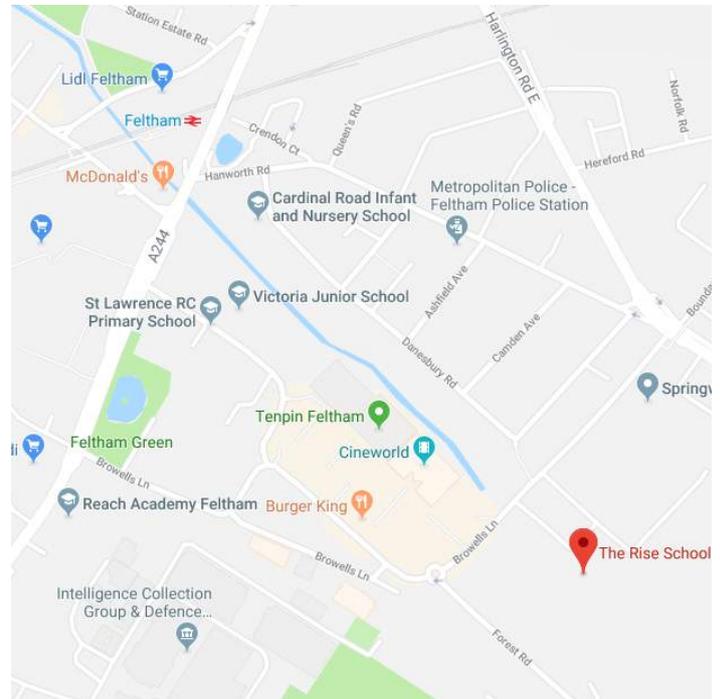
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