



BRIGHTON COLLEGE
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BRIGHTON COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL PROSPECTUS

Preparatory School



WELCOME

Brighton College Prep School is a friendly, happy and dynamic school for pupils aged 3 to 11 years. The importance of getting the early stages of pupils' education right is fully understood and embraced. It is essential that pupils enjoy their time at school, whilst at the same time developing a lifelong love of learning. In our warm, supportive environment each child is valued, treated as an individual and encouraged to seek challenge, to understand the importance of effort and creativity and most importantly, engage their curiosity and develop their interest in the world around them.

A vibrant, bright and exciting family school, our welcoming atmosphere and high standards of pastoral care are well known. Pupils develop positive relationships that last, with both their peers and the staff. Drawing upon our outstanding resources, pupils are provided with a wide range of inspiring co-curricular opportunities which they are encouraged to participate in, so that they can get full advantage of their education. Pupils are encouraged, motivated and supported to achieve their full potential.

We hope that you will visit us soon. You will be sure of a very warm welcome.



Sarah Brannon,
Head of Prep School





A CULTURE OF KINDNESS

“I would say “It’s the best school ever!” because the teaching is excellent, they care about my health and education, and most importantly, the entire school is a team no matter what house you are”

YEAR 5 PUPIL

Kindness is a core value for Brighton and is evident around the College. Kindness crosses many barriers; language, religion, culture, ethnicity. We believe it has an important place in our Prep school in the effort to nurture open-minded, contributing and considerate pupils who will make positive impacts on our societies.

In a world that is being challenged to recognise different ways of thinking,

to question stereotypes, to resist prejudice, to stand up for justice and foster mutual respect, kindness has a vital place.

As pupils move through the Prep School, we help each of them build a caring and strong character. Whilst the school praises and encourages high standards of achievement, we believe that who you are is even more important than what you achieve.



Our experienced and passionate teachers shape the curriculum to suit children's needs and interests, to ensure they leave us as confident, well-prepared and highly motivated learners. As a Prep school we challenge ourselves to provide a 21st Century education that is relevant to the pupils. It is necessarily adaptable and extends pupils' skills and understanding in an international-minded way that allows them to question, reflect and go deeper into their thinking.

We use the International Primary Curriculum as a tool to support this rewarding journey of growth. Pupils' interests are sparked due to the relevance of the units, the enquiry approach and the skills that they learn.

Building on these strong foundations, we provide a superb, all-round education that stimulates, challenges and captivates. Our excellent academic curriculum is complemented by a wealth of sport, music, creative and performing arts, as well as a wide range of co-curricular activities.

Trips, activities, special days and competitions are all part of the rich tapestry of learning.

A LOVE OF LEARNING

AMBITIOUS ABOUT ACHIEVEMENT



It is important to have a growth mindset and pupils will be helped to know their next steps and to develop an intrinsic desire to want to improve and have high expectations. Pupils have regular assessments, both internal and external, that give evidence of their achievement and then targets for future development are set and agreed in pupil progress meetings.

A commitment to quality-first teaching and learning ensures challenging goals can be met.

An area of strength in the Prep school is the Read, Write, Inc programme that is used from FS1 to Year 2 to ensure that pupils are given the opportunity to develop their love of reading as well as their fluency. Brighton College is a lead Read, Write Inc school in the UAE.

A mastery maths programme is used which allows pupils to become fluent in the fundamentals of mathematics, to be able to reason and to solve problems. A great emphasis is placed on mathematical language and questioning so pupils can discuss the mathematics they are doing, and so support them to take ideas further and work at greater depth.





“The staff body are a conscientious, diligent and hard working group of people, who strive to provide the best opportunities for our pupils. We continuously work together and are all willing to go above and beyond. It is very much a team environment”

STAFF MEMBER

CURIOSITY

We aim not only to challenge and inspire all the children to achieve their very best, but also to equip them for the future, whatever it may hold. Our Early Years classes use a ‘Curiosity Approach’ to develop awe and wonder about the natural world around them. This then continues through the Prep School.

Whether through developing pupil’s world conscience through Eco councils, supporting life skills of cooking, gardening and business ventures or publishing books of our pupils’ work, we innovate and give our pupils the confidence to do the same.

Whatever their talents, pupils are given the encouragement and support they need to pursue their evolving interests to the highest degree.





SPORT FOR ALL

As part of Brighton College, with a strong and dedicated sports staff team, the Prep school is exceptionally well equipped to introduce pupils to a variety of skills, to nurture sporting talent and to awaken in all our pupils a love of sport and physical activity.

We believe passionately in offering a wide range of opportunities to all children, whatever their ability. Specialist sports lessons commence in the Early Years with competitive team sports and training squads commencing in Year 3, benefiting both high-achievers and the less confident. The school offers a huge array of teams. Our strong record in sport means that our pupils have competed successfully in netball, football, athletics, swimming and cross-country tournaments.



CREATIVITY

All pupils are unique, and we want to nurture their creativity. Specialist music teaching is given to all classes, from Early Years upwards, helping to awaken an interest and passion for the subject. Tuition in a range of other instruments is also available. Each child has the opportunity to participate in shows and concerts throughout the year, helping to build confidence through music and drama. A wide variety of choirs, dance clubs or lessons are available from Year 1 upwards.

In the light and airy art studio and fabulously equipped design technology room, creativity and innovation continue to be fostered, drawing on a wide range of techniques and skills.





BEYOND THE GATES

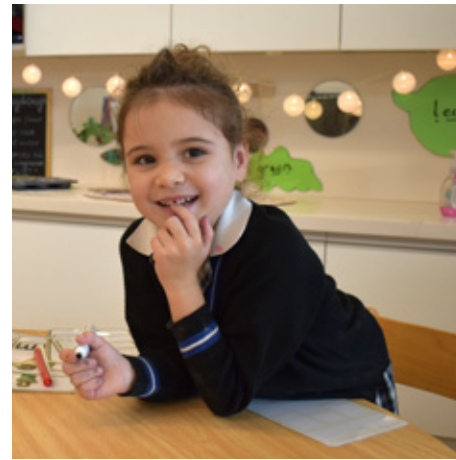


We believe a firm partnership between home and school is essential for a pupil's happiness and education, and so we encourage strong links with parents.

The Parent Ambassadors and Friends of Brighton College are strong supporters of the Prep School and help ensure effective communication.

We also encourage pupils to look outwards, to care for others and for the environment. Our lovely pupils never fail to rise to the challenge to raise money for local and national charities.

A thriving School Council helps our pupils develop a real sense of responsibility from the youngest age. Regular school trips and outings not only enrich their learning, but also broaden their horizons, helping each pupil to embrace the world and become ready to take their own future part in it.



PROUD TO BE A BRIGHTONIAN

Our pupils will be encouraged to be the best versions of themselves, and to understand and be proud of who they are. Regular 'Well-being' days, special events, community projects, house competitions, team sports and cultural activities see pupils coming together in many different groups to raise themselves to the challenges that are set and to seek creative solutions.

The benefits are manifold; friendships, passion, role models, cross curricular connections, positive relationships and pastoral support are all promoted. We talk to pupils regularly about being Proud to be Brighton. Ultimately this gives our pupils a sense of identity and the knowledge that they are part of something special - the Brighton family

“We feel like a family with Brighton College and I appreciate the school and all the staff at large. Everyone is kind and professional to each other, including parents, and I am happy with my child’s progress and interest in learning. I will always highly recommend the school”

PREP PARENT





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