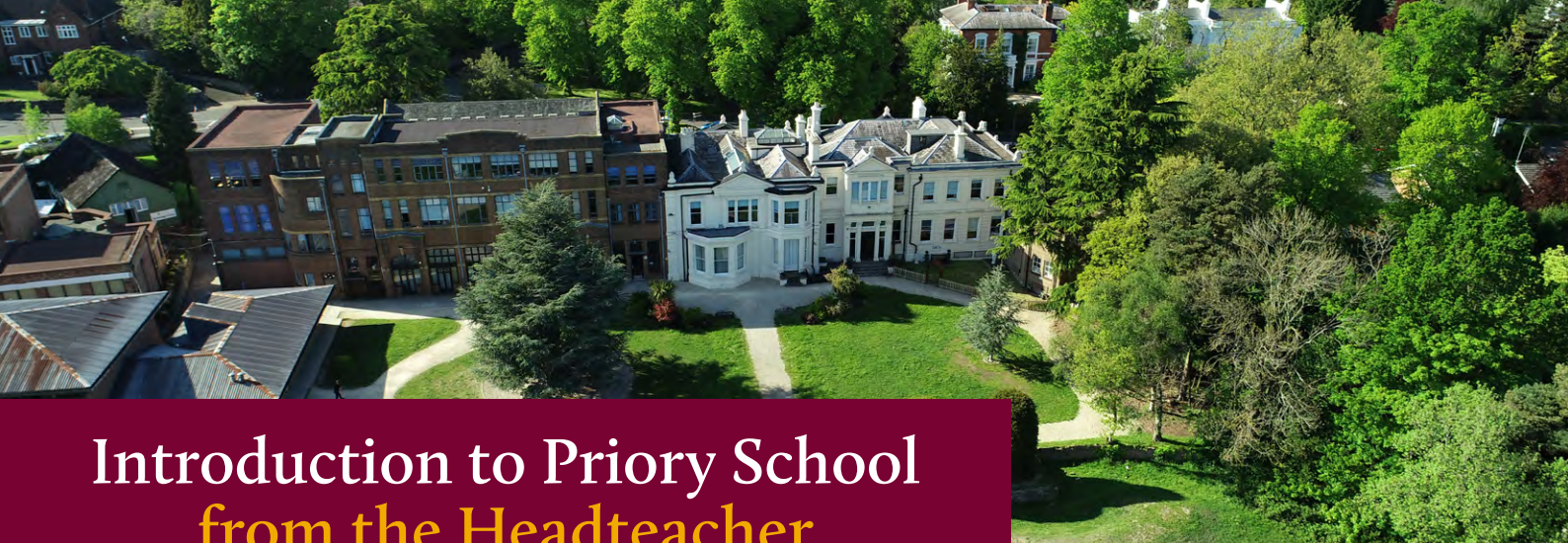




Introduction to Priory School from the Headteacher



As Headteacher of Priory School Edgbaston, I am delighted to offer you a very warm welcome to our school.

It is both an honour and a privilege to lead Priory School alongside a team of immensely talented, dedicated and caring professionals who take the responsibility of preparing our students to thrive in the modern world seriously. Our teaching philosophy is simple: no child should experience excellent teaching by chance; they should experience it by design. Through our High-TEMPO framework, which underpins every lesson, we ensure that high expectations, inclusion, engagement and excellence are standard, every day in every lesson.

We are a proudly non-selective school, founded on the belief that there is no ceiling to a child's potential. Our consistently strong academic outcomes are a testament to our conviction that all students can achieve highly and often

exceed what they ever thought possible. As a through-school, one of our greatest privileges is witnessing the remarkable journey of our children, from their earliest days in Poppets at just six months old through to confident, accomplished young adults leaving us at eighteen, ready to embrace the opportunities and challenges that await them.

As one of the country's few Catholic Heritage Schools, we are immensely proud of our exceptional pastoral care and the values that define our community: honesty, self-belief, passion, respect, teamwork and determination. These values are lived every day within a truly inclusive environment where diversity is celebrated, and every individual is valued. Our rich history and Catholic foundations continue to shape who we are, whilst fully embracing a modern and outward-looking approach to education. Generations of pupils have been nurtured and inspired by the Society of the Holy Child Jesus,

and that legacy remains evident today in a school where every child is known, supported and encouraged to flourish.

Set within seventeen acres of historic parkland, just moments from the heart of Birmingham, Priory School offers a truly unique environment in which to learn and grow. Our students enjoy the benefits of extensive outdoor space and study in historic buildings designed by Yeoville Thomason, the renowned architect responsible for some of Birmingham's most iconic landmarks, including Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery and Birmingham Town Hall.

Sport plays a central role in school life, and we are proud of a sporting programme that nurtures participation, excellence and ambition. Our strong links with Birmingham City Football Club provide exciting opportunities for aspiring athletes, while a number of our talented students are recognised as sports scholars with





Premier League clubs, reflecting the high calibre of sporting talent within the school. Through our partnership with the prestigious Edgbaston Priory Club, pupils benefit from outstanding coaching and facilities across a range of racket sports, helping them to develop both technical skill and competitive confidence. Our students regularly represent the school at regional and national level, including the ISA National Championships, where they compete across a variety of disciplines. This commitment to sporting excellence, combined with expert coaching and exceptional opportunities, enables our pupils to thrive both on and off the field.

Our enrichment programme is designed to inspire curiosity, develop new skills and ensure that every pupil can discover and pursue their passions beyond the classroom. Students can choose from a wide range of co-curricular opportunities, including additional sports clubs, modern language enrichment, Warhammer, board games, craft clubs and many other specialist activities. Outdoor learning is a key feature of school life, with pupils benefiting from our dedicated outdoor learning classroom and Forest School provision, where they develop resilience, teamwork and a deeper appreciation of the natural environment through hands-on experiences and adventure-based learning.

Our outstanding trips and visits programme further enhances pupils' educational



journeys, providing unforgettable experiences both in the UK and overseas. From walking on glaciers and exploring volcanic landscapes in Iceland to immersing themselves in over 2,000 years of history in Rome, our students enjoy opportunities that bring learning to life. Memorable visits have also included Disneyland Paris, international netball tours to Barbados and football tours to Sweden, alongside a range of outdoor adventure experiences that challenge pupils, build confidence and create lasting memories. These enriching opportunities broaden horizons, foster independence and help our students develop into confident, well-rounded young people ready to embrace the world beyond school.

Visitors to Priory School often comment first on the warmth of our community. We are a family in the truest sense of the word and place great value on the partnership between school and home. Together with parents and carers, we work to develop



young people of character, compassion and resilience, recognising that it takes a whole community to raise a child and help them realise their potential.

I hope that as you explore our school, you gain a sense of the many opportunities and advantages that a Priory education provides, and I am sure you will agree that there really is something extraordinary in the air, where tradition inspires ambition, every child is known and valued, and futures are transformed every single day.

Please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions department if you have any further questions.

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