

BARR BEACON SCHOOL - STATUTORY WEBSITE INFORMATION

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Barr Beacon School is part of the Matrix Academy Trust, which can be contacted using the details above.

Admissions Arrangements

School Admissions Policy
2016/2017: <http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Admission-Criteria-Policy-2016-2017.pdf>
2017/2018: <http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/download/admission-criteria-policy/?wpdmdl=884>

Most recent OfSTED report:

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/files/2320123/urn/136885.pdf>

Published Key Stage 4 exam results (2016)

Progress 8: 0.11
Attainment 8: 53.7
% of pupils attaining a good pass in English and maths: 79%
% of pupils achieving the English Baccalaureate: 26%
% of pupils who continue in education or training, or moving on to employment at the end of 16-19 study: 94%

Further results information, including Key Stage 5, can be found on the School Performance Tables published by the Department for Education:

<http://www.education.gov.uk/cgi-bin/schools/performance/school.pl?urn=136885&superview=sec>

Curriculum information

Life After Levels at MATrix Academy Trust

All pupils at the school, from September 2015, were assessed for KS2 with the use of National Curriculum levels. As parents and pupils understand these levels, and so that they are able to see their child's continued progress, we will still report National Curriculum levels for Years 8 and 9 for the 2016-17 academic year.

During 2016-17, Year 7 will be assessed using a new reporting system which is explained here: <http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/understanding-your-childs-report-year-7/>

All of our teaching programmes reflect the content and challenge of the new National Curriculum: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-secondary-curriculum>

At Key Stage 3 pupils currently take the following subjects:

English, mathematics, science, art, dance, drama, geography, history, ICT, modern foreign languages (French, German, Italian, Spanish), music, PE, PSHE, religious education, technology, computer science.

b) Although we do not teach Key Stage 1 phonics, selected groups of Year 7 and 8 pupils follow the Fresh Start reading scheme.

c) At Key Stage 4 pupils follow a personalised pathway.

i) All pupils take the core subjects of maths, English language, English literature, PE (not examined), PSHE and Double Science Award OR separate sciences (biology, chemistry, physics).

Option subjects are: French, German, Spanish, Italian, history, geography, catering, child development, citizenship, dance, music, drama, DT product design, DT textiles, DT food, economics, PE, sociology, psychology, computer science, media studies, philosophy and ethics, religious studies and statistics.

ii) We also offer BTEC First Awards in art and design, business, digital media production, ICT, health and social, media, sport, construction and the built environment and hospitality.

Information about Key Stage 5 courses can be located here:

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/sixth-form-open-evening-2016/>

The **behaviour policy, including exclusion information**, can be found here:

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/Behaviour-Policy-2015.pdf>

The Pupil Premium strategy:

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Barr-Beacon-School-Pupil-Premium-Summary-2015-2016-Website.pdf>

Catch-Up Premium statement:

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Barr-Beacon-Catch-Up-premium-statement-Website-2016.pdf>

SEND

Our SEND statement is here: <http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/SEND-Report-201617-JPH1-2.pdf>

SENDCO: Mr J Phillips

Accessibility

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/Accessibility-Plan-November-2015.pdf>

Equality objective for this year

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Equality-information-for-website-2016-7.pdf>

Governance

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/governing-body/>

Complaints

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Matrix-Complaints-Policy-2015.pdf>

Charging and remissions information

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Charging-Remissions-Policy-2014-.pdf>

Requests for paper copies of information

<http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/Data-Protection-Freedom-of-Information-Policy-ICO-September-2014.pdf>

The school's ethos and values:

As an Outstanding school, we work hard to get the best for every single one of our pupils. With our Teaching School status we are called upon to share our expertise with other education providers to help them get the best for their learners too. We are always focused on making sure we secure the best possible future for the next generation and, being a SCITT, this extends to our high quality teacher training.

Whilst forward-facing in many ways, we hold onto the best bits from the past. We are unabashedly traditional when it comes to discipline, courtesy and good manners. These values never go out of fashion and they underpin our drive for academic success.

Our school community is proudly diverse and we do not tolerate bias, prejudice or discrimination of any kind - whether conscious or unconscious - and we instil in our pupils nothing less than the urge to go out into the world and make it a better place.

I am immensely proud to work with so many supportive governors, dedicated staff and delightful young people. It is a privilege to be the Headteacher of Barr Beacon School.

Lynsey Draycott

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