

We deviate on our travels through school.
Traversing and exploring a network of chambers and thoughts.
We run through channels and challenges
and are sometimes triumphant.
We adapt and nourish and invigorate - then mature.
When we have moved on we are replaced by fresh thoughts.
You can sometimes follow our footsteps.
Always the school will breathe.

Cell-Site, a poem by Kizzy Barrow

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NORTHGATE
High School





Welcome to Northgate

Northgate is a modern school with a rich history and an impressive record. Situated on an open, spacious campus the school enjoys a strong reputation for offering pupils, students and staff first class opportunities for academic, personal and professional development.

Every member of the Northgate community is encouraged to contribute to its life and success, to provide a happy and stimulating environment where everybody's potential is fully realised. Respect, determination and teamwork are the school's core values.



Standards are
consistently
high

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Respect

Respect towards staff and fellow pupils at all times is nurtured through all aspects of social interaction, including group based study. Varied teaching and learning strategies are employed to ensure all pupils progress at a pace aligned to their needs and ability.

Our curriculum has been developed to provide a broad, foundation on which an increasing element of choice and specialisation can be built as individuals progress through the school. We are an open, friendly school and pride ourselves on strong links with parents and the wider community.



"Northgate is a
friendly
school and has given
me lots of opportunities."

Year 7 pupil



Determination

Determination in all aspects of school work and extra-curricular endeavour is a value that underpins all that we do at Northgate. The courage to try new activities, embrace challenges and learn from mistakes is fundamental to our pupils' progress. While we encourage our pupils to remain determined in all that they do, our staff remain equally determined to support them to achieve their best in all their studies and activities. Personal organisation is key to our pupils' success, and through our strong pastoral system we develop these skills with the use of the planner and through strong communication with home.



"We are massively impressed with the ease of transition from Primary School and our daughter's *confidence* has been boosted by the encouragement and positive atmosphere that surrounds her at Northgate."
Parent



Teamwork

Our inclusive community is built on the notion of teamwork and cooperation. Pupils have numerous opportunities to engage in collaborative activities in lessons, on the sports field and during extra-curricular activities such as camping trips and foreign residential study visits.

Our Leaders in Learning scheme provides opportunities for pupils to develop their ability to inspire, lead and support others. Learning how to work successfully in a community with a diverse range of peers is considered crucial to our pupils' future success.



"Northgate is
an absolutely
amazing
school that is preparing us
brilliantly for our future."

Year 8 pupil



The Sixth Form

Northgate has a thriving Sixth Form. While we specialise in A levels, we also offer a supportive package to those who require a further year of study before embarking on Level 3 provision.

We never cease to be amazed by the varied and inspiring achievements of our post-16 students, many of whom commit support to younger pupils whilst obtaining the grades they require to open the doors to their future success.

“Northgate is a school with both an impressive history and an exciting future.

We place a high priority on traditional values such as good behaviour, adherence to clear rules and mutual respect, while developing a curriculum and broader opportunities which address the needs of all pupils in today’s society.

As a result Northgate is widely acknowledged as being a very happy school to study and to work in, with consistently high standards and excellent achievement.”

David Hutton
Headteacher



Teaching in the Sixth Form is often *outstanding* behaviour and attitudes are exemplary.

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