



HARD WORK

INTEGRITY

EXCELLENCE



Prospectus

## INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



Shoreham Academy is part of United Learning – a group of schools committed to achieving excellence in the education of children and young people. Our group began 130 years ago as a provider of independent schools. 15 years ago we set out to provide outstanding state schools as part of the academies programme as well – and the majority of our schools are now academies. We believe that we lead the way nationally in sharing practice between the state and independent sectors and are the biggest group of schools in the country combining the two sectors.

Our academies are inclusive and welcoming schools where students of all faiths, backgrounds and abilities are valued and respected. Our ambition is to bring out the best in everyone. As part of the group, Shoreham Academy shares the objective of supporting every student to achieve their very best through an excellent education which is as broad as it is deep. The facilities of Shoreham Academy match the quality of the education it offers. Assessed as 'outstanding' by Ofsted in its last visit, the Academy has consistently improved its academic standards – but vital as that is for the future of young people, it is not the only impressive thing about the Academy.

When you visit, you will be as struck by the good relationships between young people and between pupils and staff as by the strong focus on students' academic success. You will see a broad curriculum, committed and caring staff and a wide range of extra-curricular activities. You will find a school determined to improve even further, and to offer more to young people year after year.

Shoreham Academy is a very special place. I feel sure that you will find it as inspiring as I do.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Coles'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a white background.

**Sir Jon Coles**

Chief Executive, United Learning





“Students’ behaviour is exemplary. The academy is very successful in enabling students to develop as responsible individuals who treat each other with respect and courtesy” Ofsted

## WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Welcome to Shoreham Academy – a vibrant and thriving school at the heart of the communities of Shoreham and Southwick.

Choosing the right school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make on their behalf. At Shoreham Academy we aim not only to match parents’ expectations of what a school should offer their child, but to exceed them. Within a welcoming and supportive environment, we provide a stimulating and engaging education designed to give every child the chance to achieve their potential.

We are an outstanding 11-18, non-selective academy where everyone – staff and students – thrive to be the best that they can be. We see each child as an individual and seek to give them an education which best suits their abilities and interests. By the time they leave the academy, we want students to be confident, responsible and articulate individuals with the skills and knowledge they need to make a real success of their lives.

We focus on the whole child; our broad and balanced curriculum is complemented by a wide ranging and exciting programme of extra-curricular activities. There is something for every child at Shoreham Academy – whatever their interests, whatever their abilities. All students participate in the ‘Shoreham Academy Experience’ with the expectation of fulfilling a number of ‘pledges’ in preparation for adult life.

Having moved into state of the art new buildings in 2012, we can promise the very best facilities and an outstanding learning environment for your child. The staff and students are proud of our academy and its achievements.

This prospectus can only give a glimpse of the academy. To see for yourself what the academy can offer, please come to one of our Open Days or make an arrangement to visit us at another time.

I very much look forward to welcoming you to Shoreham Academy.

**Jim Coupe**  
Principal

## THE BEST IN EVERYONE

Shoreham Academy is a co-educational school open to students aged 11-19. There are 300 places in Year 7, all of which are open to students of all abilities and all backgrounds.

Our aim is to bring out the “best in everyone” – students, staff, parents and the local community. With an ethos based on the key values of excellence, hard work and integrity, we support students as they develop into responsible and caring citizens.

We encourage students to aim high and we support them in pursuing their dreams. At our academy, success of every kind is celebrated and no child is overlooked. With a rich and varied curriculum and a wide range of enrichment activities, the opportunities for students to flourish are unlimited.

**“Achievement is outstanding and improving. Excellent teaching combined with high quality care, high expectations and exemplary behaviour ensures students make rapid progress towards achieving their targets” Ofsted**





## A WELCOMING AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

Our academy community is a happy and welcoming one. Students thrive in a supportive and safe environment in which everyone has respect for one another. We maintain a high standard of discipline so that the classroom focus remains on high-quality teaching and learning.

We know that starting a new school can often be a frightening and unsettling time for children. We make every effort to ensure our Year 7 students feel comfortable and supported from their very first day. To give students a better idea of what to expect when they join the academy, we hold Year 5 Fun Days, Year 6 Taster Days and Year 7 Induction Days.



Building effective relationships is key; our "Schools within Schools" system ensures every student is known and valued for what they can achieve.

Each of our three schools, Sapphire, Gold and Emerald, has its own Head of School, Non-Teaching Pastoral Managers and is headed up by members of the Leadership Team.

Schools are made up of Mentor Groups which contain approximately 30 students from one year. Mentors remain with their mentees as they progress from Year 7 to Year 11, providing a safe environment where mentors can really get to know their students and build valuable relationships with them.

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*a lifelong love of learning*

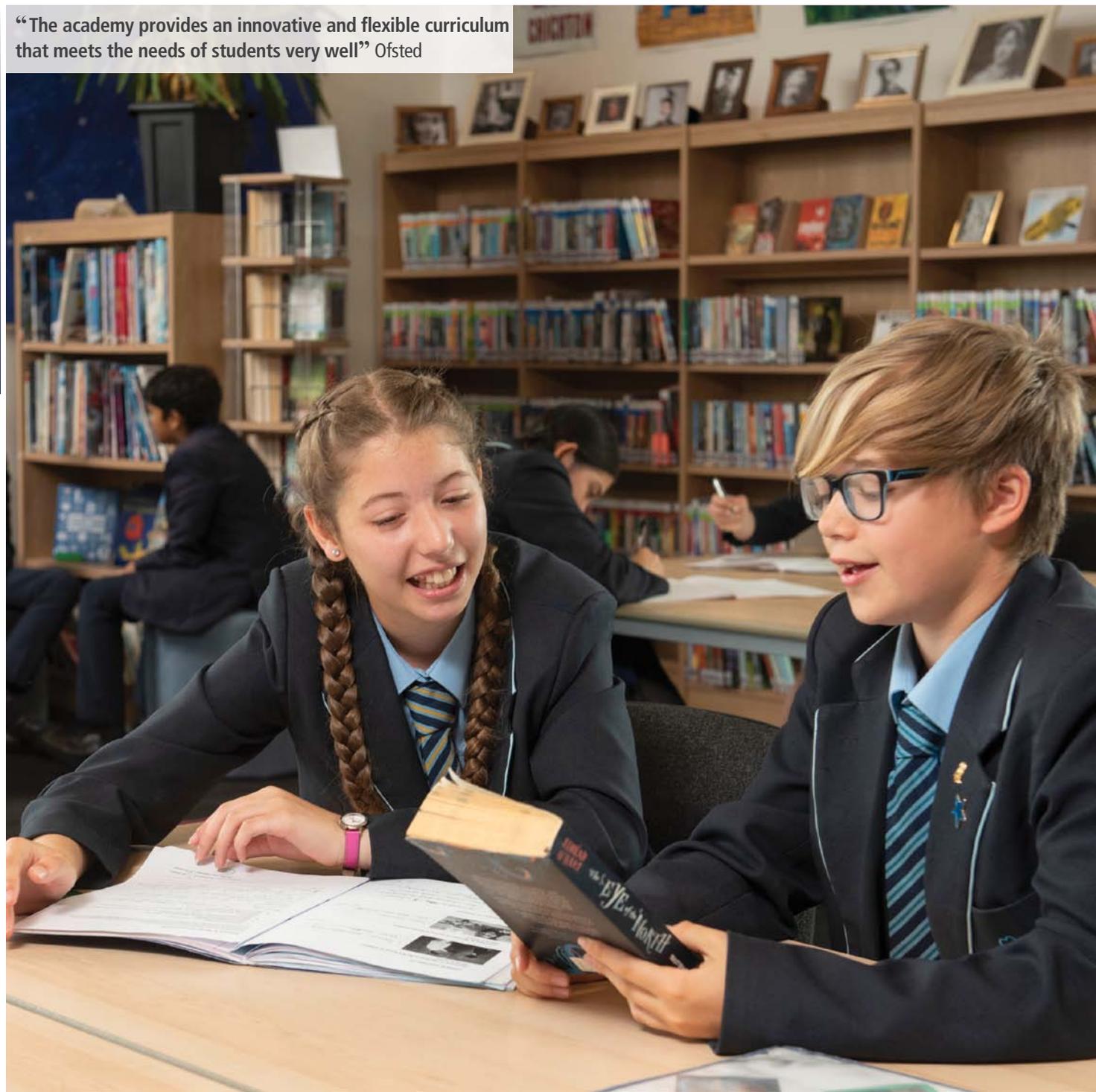
## AN EXCITING AND STIMULATING CURRICULUM

At Shoreham Academy our focus is always on teaching and learning. Whilst our curriculum is designed to give students the skills and qualifications they need to pursue successful careers it also seeks to give students a lifelong love of learning. We want students to enjoy their lessons and be inspired to continue learning beyond the classroom.

In their first three years at the academy, students study a broad and balanced range of subjects which cover all key areas of the National Curriculum. We pay particular attention to developing the core skills of literacy and numeracy since, without these, students are unable to access the rest of the curriculum.

As students progress through the academy, they can choose from a wide range of both academic and vocational subjects to suit their own strengths and interests.

“The academy provides an innovative and flexible curriculum that meets the needs of students very well” Ofsted





## NURTURING EACH INDIVIDUAL STUDENT

At the heart of our approach to teaching is a focus on the individual and their personal learning journey.

Our Individual Learning Programme means that every student receives an education which challenges and supports them. We give our more able students the chance to excel through our APEX programme whilst we provide extra help to students with Special Educational Needs (both with and without EHCPs) and those who may be struggling in certain areas of the curriculum.

Every student's progress is monitored continuously. We do not allow anyone to slip into the realm of underachievement.



Our most important partnership is the one we have with parents and we encourage them to play an active role in the education of their child. We communicate with parents about their child's progress through regular reports home. Our parents' evenings provide parents with the opportunity to come to the academy to see what work their child is doing and meet their child's teachers. If, at any time, a parent wishes to discuss any concerns they may have about their child's time at the academy, they are always welcome to make an appointment to meet with their child's mentor or classroom teachers.

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## BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

At Shoreham Academy academic success goes hand-in-hand with development outside the classroom. We want our students to leave the academy with a complete range of skills which will fully prepare them for adult life. All students participate in the 'Shoreham Academy Experience' with the expectation of fulfilling a number of pledges in preparation for their future.

As part of our extended day, which includes a Breakfast Club and after school activities, every student has the chance to try new and fun activities which will help them develop skills for life. Whether a student competes in a sports team, works on an academy production either on-stage or backstage, belongs to a dance club or participates in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme, they will find the experience both rewarding and enjoyable. We are always open to new ideas and if there is demand for a particular activity we will always try our best to make it happen.

In the summer term all students have the opportunity to enjoy our fabulous experience week. This offers them a wide ranging choice of international, national residential and local trips as well as the chance to experience fun and interesting activities outside of the normal school curriculum.

We also encourage all students to play their part in the life of the academy. By taking on roles of responsibility, such as Year 11 Leadership Team, Student Leaders and Student Council representatives, students have the opportunity to develop leadership skills and make a positive contribution to our academy community.



**“Relationships at all levels are excellent and students say they enjoy opportunities to take responsibility, for example as members of the academy council” Ofsted**

*the latest facilities to help bring learning alive*

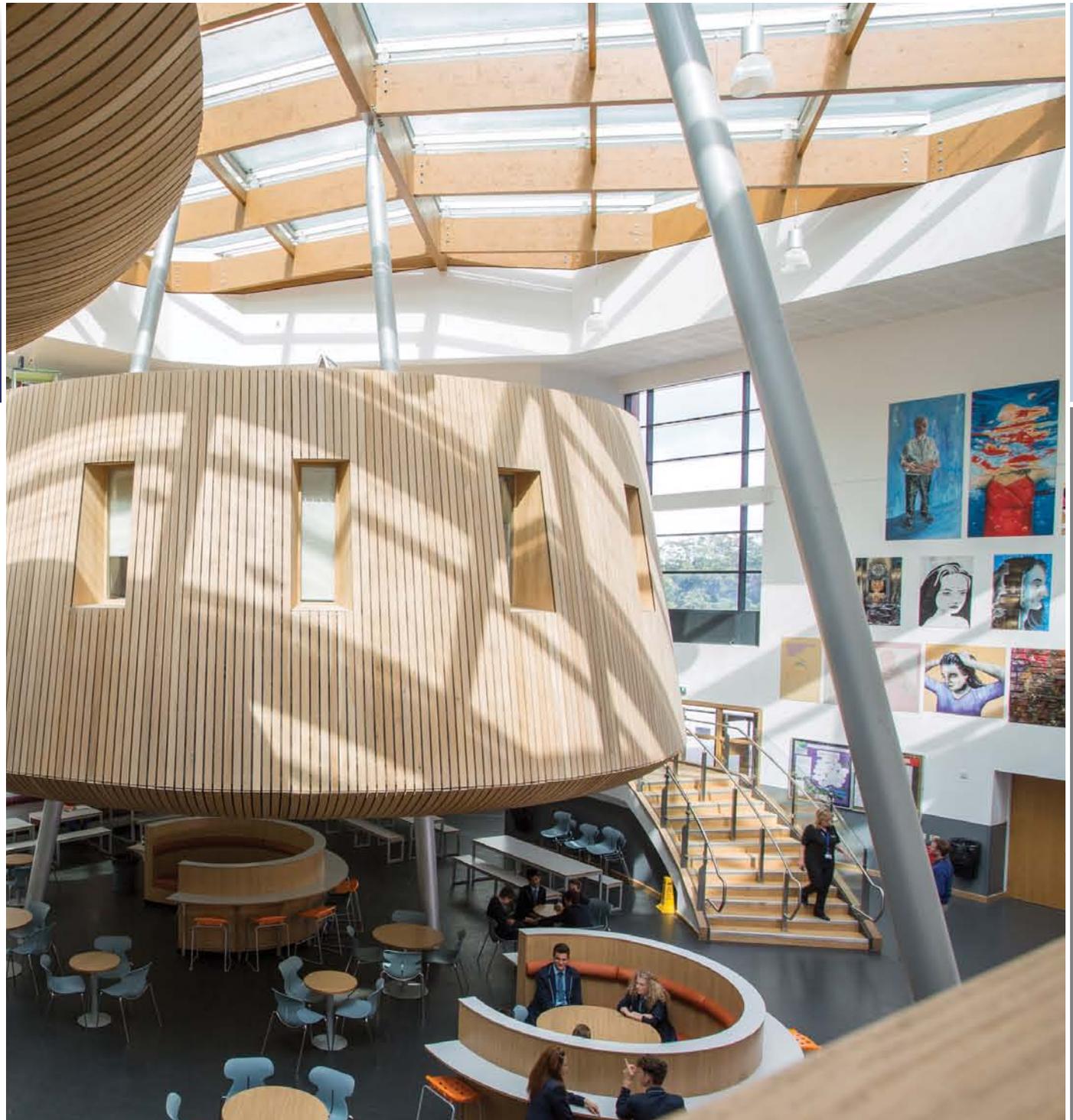
## SPECTACULAR BUILDINGS

Our state of the art building is a welcoming and inspiring place which meets the needs of a wide and exciting curriculum. It has bright and spacious classrooms as well as the latest facilities to help bring learning alive.

Facilities include:

- Dedicated ICT suites
- Dance studio
- Drama & Recording studios
- Purpose-built Science labs & specialist Technology workshops
- Special Educational Needs suites
- Art studios
- Sports hall & Multipurpose hall
- Library
- Food technology studios
- Photography studio & dark room

**“The school is a very cohesive and harmonious community [...] high quality pastoral care and sound academic guidance make a significant contribution to students’ achievement” Ofsted**



## OUR FACILITIES

Shoreham Academy already works directly with a variety of local clubs, allowing students to benefit from a wealth of extra curricula coaching in sports such as basketball, cricket, football, gymnastics and table tennis. We have also introduced a number of sports academies for our students.

Our facilities, including a 3G all weather pitch, are already broadening these strong links into other sports. With a 450 spectator seating sports hall, pictured here, a second multi-purpose indoor space opened in 2017, comprehensive external sporting areas and pitches and a fully equipped fitness room sports can be enjoyed and celebrated by all.

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**“The school has very productive partnerships to support students’ learning and development”**

Ofsted





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