



# Colton Hills Community School

Many Minds, One Mission.



Your journey to  
World Class  
starts here



High  
Performance  
Learning

Pathway School

# Welcome to our school

From Mrs Stephens - Headteacher

At Colton Hills, we believe that **every child** is entitled to the highest quality learning experiences, irrespective of their starting point. There are no barriers to high achievement and no excuses for not succeeding. We have the highest expectations.

In **every lesson**, students are exposed to powerful knowledge and culturally rich experiences. **Every day** we are learning and reflecting on how we have improved ourselves. Through this, we maximise academic attainment so students can go to and through university and thrive in a top profession.

All students will leave Colton Hills highly numerate and literate, with meaningful qualifications that prove this. They will also leave equipped with both the skills and self-belief to engage with the wider world so that they change it for the better.



**Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day**

# Why do we exist?

## Our Purpose

We exist to serve our community by challenging educational and social disadvantage so that everyone thrives.

**Many Minds, One Mission.**

# What do we do?

We maximise attainment by exposing every child to knowledge and culturally rich experiences in every lesson, every day.

# How will we succeed?

It's about learning  
No excuses, no barriers

Students First:

**Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day**

# How do we behave?

## Our Core Values Framework



# Participation



**“ We have a spirit of support, teamwork and sharing, but we are disciplined and follow through on our commitments.**

We advance the mission of Colton Hill by getting things done, to the highest level, everyday.

**”**

At Colton Hills, we believe that all of our students should have the widest range of experiences possible to fully develop their personalities and skills.

All students participate in interform competition, a broad curriculum and extra-curricular opportunities which will engage and inspire.



**Getting  
Involved**

**Fantastic  
Experiences**

**Inspiring &  
Engaging**

# Respect

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**We recognise the dignity and worth of every individual and the contribution that they make. We demonstrate professional behaviours, showing kindness and compassion.**

We treat staff like platinum and focus on the needs of our students first.

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The success of our school is rooted in the importance of mutual respect between staff and students, excellent behaviour and respect between students and their peers.

We have high expectations of our students and ensure that all students show respect for their school and the community around them.

**Mutual  
Respect**

**High  
Expectations**

**Courtesy &  
Manners**

# Integrity



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**We are mindful of our actions both in school and within our community.**

Our openness and transparency instils confidence in others. We take pride in our school and we are loyal to the values.

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Integrity is key to everything that we do. We believe in being honest, open and transparent with all members of our school community.

Our priority is to put our students and their learning first in all decisions that we make, and to take all decisions based on our school values



**Moral  
Purpose**

**Student  
Centred**

**Open &  
Honest**

# Diversity

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**We value social and cultural diversity - we are officially a school of 'sanctuary'.**

We strive to enrich our community by tackling inequality, promoting fairness and challenging prejudice.

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The Colton Hills school community is diverse, and we are immensely proud of this fact.

We ensure that all members of our school community are heard and represented, and that there is respect for and celebration of the different faiths, cultures and traditions of all who attend our school.

**Celebrating  
Diversity**

**Community  
Pride**

**All Voices  
Heard**

# Excellence

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**We raise standards through taking personal responsibility for our achievements and seeking continuous improvement.**

We set high expectations and seek to become the best version of ourselves.

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We make no apologies for wanting the best for our students and having the highest expectations of them.

We are committed to becoming a world-class school, and making sure that all lessons are excellent experiences which lead to our students producing exceptional work and achieving highly.

**Excellent  
Achievement**

**Valuable  
Qualifications**

**World-class  
Learning**



# Why choose Colton Hills?

- **Rated "Good" during our last Ofsted inspection in 2018.**
- **Our Progress 8 scores place us in the top 5 schools locally. Students succeed at Colton Hills.**
- **Performance in many subjects including science and maths put us in the top 20% of schools nationally.**
- **Fantastic on-site resources including a pool, spectacular school grounds, a range of sporting facilities and a theatre.**
- **Dedicated, award winning staff, committed to your child's success.**

## **Humanities**

+0.7

Significantly above local  
and national average

**Highest 20% of  
schools**

## **Science**

+0.5

Significantly above local  
and national average

**Highest 20% of  
schools**

## **Maths**

+0.23

Above local authority  
figure of -0.18 and  
national of -0.02

# **Our Impact**

## **Business Studies**

Merit +

Significantly  
above national  
average

## **A-LEVEL Results**

60% A\*-B

## **EBACC**

+0.43

Above local authority  
figure of -0.01 and  
national of -0.03

## **Vocational Studies**

Average  
Distinction

## **Languages**

0.9

Significantly above local  
and national average

**Highest 20% of  
schools**

## **A-LEVEL Results**

Average B-





# Our Curriculum

At Colton Hills we have built our curriculum around a series of thematically based Curricular Concepts that students will see in various subjects, enabling them to draw links and supporting them in making connections that might not always be apparent to them.

The intention of our curriculum at all stages is that we will teach all children at our school that:

# Every



## **Social Justice**

Humanity is on an optimistic, positive journey of developing tolerance, enfranchisement and rights for all peoples, and we must all play our part in this.



## **Cultural Diversity**

Diversity is a gift to be valued, one that enriches our school, and that the shared histories of all cultures are worthy of respect and understanding



## **Civic Responsibility**

Respect for the law, democracy and its institutions are vital, but that existing power structures should always be respectfully questioned



## **Technological Progress**

Technological development is full of great human achievement but is not without its challenges and drawbacks of which we must always be aware



## **Precious Planet**

The natural world is a place of wonder, mystery and beauty that should be respected, revered and protected, particularly in the face of climate change

# Child



## **Healthy Living**

Our health - mentally, physically and spiritually - is of primary importance and must be preserved as it contributes immensely to a happy and contented life



## **Ethical Enterprise**

Being enterprising and financially independent is crucial, but making money should always be weighed against the moral decisions about who it might affect



## **Artistic Creativity**

An appreciation of the vast array of creative arts and their power to entertain and educate is vital in an enriched, meaningful and fulfilled life

# High Performa

**Starting in September 2021, Colton Hills has become a High Performance Learning (HPL) Pathway School.**

**This means that the school is working with HPL, a prestigious international organisation that works to make all schools world-class, to continue to improve our school even further.**

It also means that you couldn't be joining us at a more exciting time.

Our staff will be receiving cutting edge training, based on the very latest research, and what the findings show that the very best schools do. Our students will get the best opportunities, experiences and learning science in their lessons, to help them to maximise their attainment.

We are embarking on this journey because it is the right thing to do for them, and because we are absolutely committed to their success.

# Every



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[www.highperformer.org](http://www.highperformer.org)

# nce Learning

## Lesson

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### **We maximise learning by:**

- Setting high expectations in every classroom, everyday.
- Ensuring all teaching staff are highly skilled and qualified.
- Setting challenging work but scaffolding learning so that it is accessible to all learners.
- Developing students understanding of how we learn and the behaviours for learning so that they can work harder, remember more and successfully complete independent tasks.
- Ensuring the learning environment is calm and well ordered so that it is conducive to learning.

# Pastoral Support

Our pastoral care is built on the school motto 'Every child, every lesson, every day'. We have a coordinated approach that encompasses the wellbeing, personal development and academic needs of every child so they develop as a well-rounded independent citizen.

Your child will be looked after by their Year Team who will guide and support them and you throughout all the milestones within their education.

# Every



# Extra-curricular

We offer a wide range of extra-curricular clubs in period 0 (before school) and period 6 (after school), which are open and free to all students.

## Day

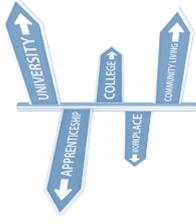
### Opportunities include:

- A wide range of clubs, from academic support to team sports
- Educational visits and field trips
- German Exchange program
- Combined Cadets Force
- Residential to Wales
- Sixth Form Mentor Programme





# Colton Hills Learning Journey



Continue your lifelong love of learning and personal development



GRADUATION DAY!



Attend a top university and start your course

**Top Profession**

**Success!**



Complete your final exams and essays

**Degree**



Confirm your university/destination



Become a House or School Leader

Apply to be a Head Student



Be a mentor in a lower school form

**KS5**

**Expertise and Inquiry**



Go to your CHCS Prom!

Develop your skills



Year 10 work experience programme



Attend Year 10 Summer School

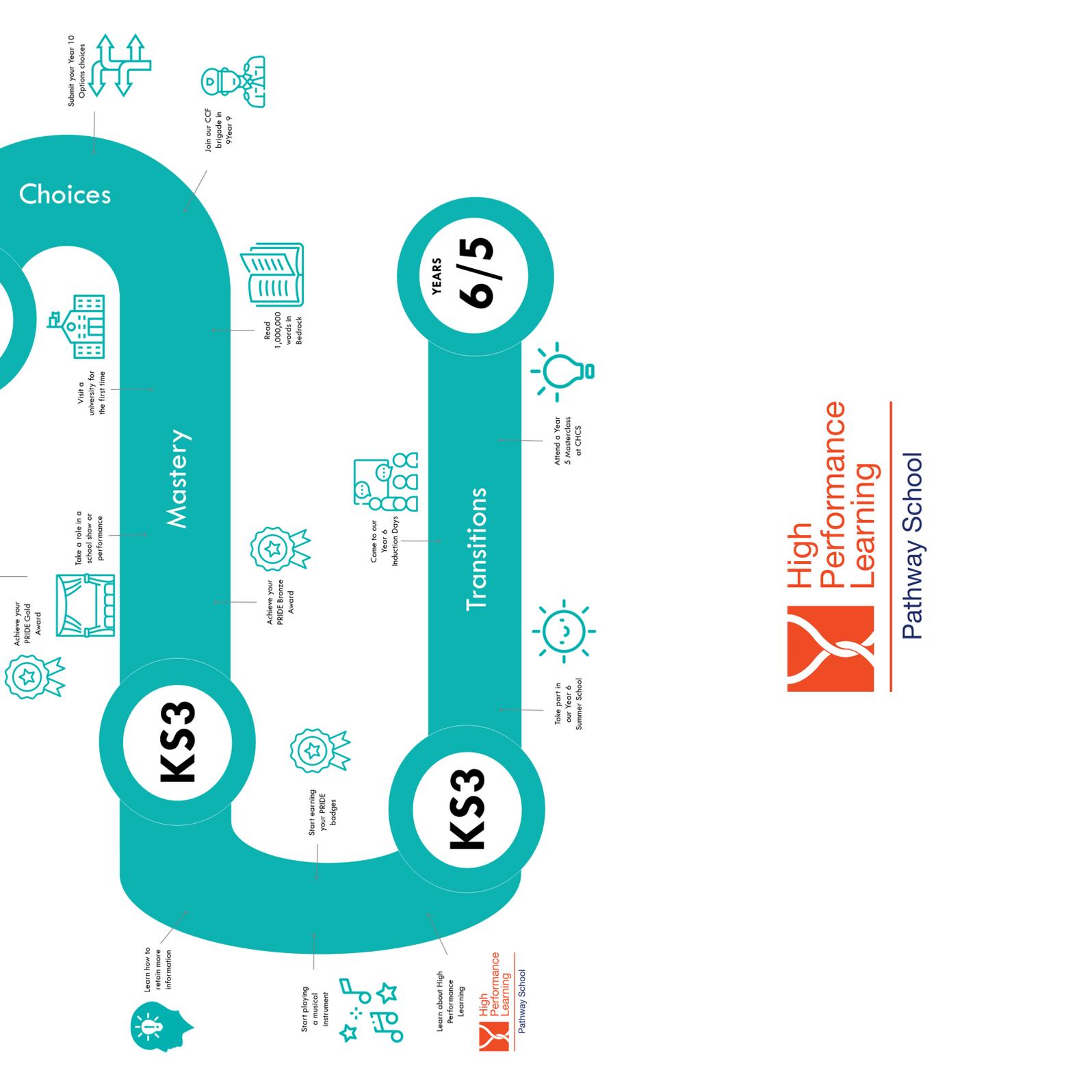
**Depth of Knowledge**

**KS4**

Achieve your PRIDE Silver Award



**Destinations**



Choices



Visit a university for the first time



Take a role in a school show or performance



Achieve your PRIDE Gold Award



Learn how to retain more information



Start playing a musical instrument

Learn about High Performance Learning



Mastery



Read 1,000,000 words in Bedrock



Achieve your PRIDE Bronze Award



Start earning your PRIDE badges



Join our CCF Brigade in Year 9



Submit your Year 10 Options choices

YEARS  
**6/5**

Transitions



Take part in our Year 6 Summer School



Attend a Year 5 Interclass at CHCS



Come to our Year 6 Induction Days



Pathway School

# A day in the

**We will provide breakfast and early morning reading activities until 8.25.**

**All students should be at school by 8.20 am**

## Library Opening Hours

Monday	8.00am-4.00pm
Tuesday	8.00am-3.30pm
Wednesday	8.00am-3.30pm
Thursday	8.00am-3.30pm
Friday	8.30am-3.00pm

# life of Colton Hills

Time	Lesson
08.00-8:25am	P0 - Gates Open - Breakfast Club
08.30-9.30am	P1
09.30-10.50am	P2 and Break
10.50-11.50am	P3
11.50-13.20pm	P4 and Lunch
13.20-14.20pm	P5
14.20-14.50pm	Tutor time * except Tuesday
14.50-15.50pm	P6 Enrichment (optional) not Tuesday

End of school day is staggered dismissal

- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 2.50pm-2.55pm
- Tuesday 2.20pm-2.25pm

# Safeguarding

**Student wellbeing at Colton Hills is vital. We ensure that everybody is able to engage with their education without any barriers, whether that be problems with their mental health, or the challenges that come with life at secondary school.**

Any concerns or worries about anything at Colton Hills can be addressed to any member of staff. Pastoral staff are assigned to each year group and there is the safeguarding team for you to contact as well.

There are many services available to you to support your wellbeing including:

- Pastoral support and interventions in school
- In-school counselling services
- External counselling and emotional support can be accessed for you via the safeguarding team

# SEND

**We ensure that all students with SEND achieve their full potential through a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum, which secures equal opportunities, high achievement and allows students to become effective and develop as independent learners.**

We will make reasonable adjustments, and support young people with SEND to ensure they can engage with activities at school.

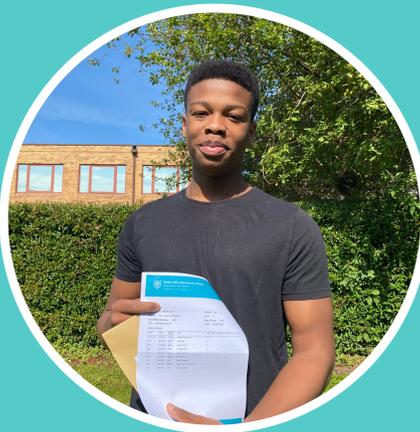
We are committed to reducing barriers to progress by promoting the view that provision for students with SEND is recognised as a whole school responsibility and that all teachers are teachers of special educational needs.



# Support for your future

At Colton Hills, you will get the best education possible, and when you leave school you will have the qualifications and skills you need to progress to university, employment or training.

Our dedicated Careers and Aspirations team have established relationships with universities, businesses and training providers, to make sure that there are a range of opportunities available.



# Enrichment



**There is a weekly enrichment lesson which provides students with the opportunity to participate in new and varied experiences.**



**These include career events, inter house competitions and cultural experiences.**



**These activities develop students social, moral, and cultural understanding which will support them to succeed in education, work and wider society.**

# Facilities

**We have a wide range of facilities that our students can use.**

**These are also available for the wider community - get in touch with [cbanks@coltonhills.co.uk](mailto:cbanks@coltonhills.co.uk) for more information.**

**Facilities include:**

- **Swimming Pool**
- **Sports Hall**
- **Astro turf and outdoor pitches**
- **Dance Studio**
- **405 seat Theatre**
- **Gelliwig Residential Centre in Wales**





## **Come and see us**

We would love to show you around our school, so get in touch and we will arrange a visit.

Please email - [prospectus@coltonhills.co.uk](mailto:prospectus@coltonhills.co.uk)  
or call 01902 558420

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**Colton Hills is changing**

**Join us on our journey to  
World Class**