Fulneck School

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Founded in 1753, Fulneck School is an outstanding, co-educational boarding and day school located in Leeds, in the heart of West Yorkshire, England. We educate and nurture children and young people between the ages of 3 and 18: boarders are accepted from the age of 9. Throughout their time with us at Fulneck, our pupils flourish and become confident, well-rounded young adults. Fulneck School has long had a reputation for exceptional academic standards and its students achieve some of the best academic results in the area, with the majority of pupils gaining entry to their first-choice university. Pupils largely follow the National Curriculum and study towards public examinations, in which Fulneck vastly exceeds national averages, and in 2010 Fulneck School was ranked as one of the top boarding schools in Yorkshire and as having the best Sixth Form in Leeds (BBC ranking)

The broad curriculum covers all aspects of life - spiritual, moral, social, academic, creative, cultural and physical - ensuring the balanced development of all pupils from the age of 3. Fulneck's exceptional teaching and learning environment has been confirmed in a number of outstanding inspection reports. The Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) rated the School outstanding and the Council for the Registration of Schools Teaching Dyslexic Pupils (CReSTeD) inspection reconfirmed the prestigious 'DU' status (Dyslexia Unit), the highest grade awarded for a mainstream school

Our philosophy

Although we are first and foremost a centre of education, Fulneck School offers much more than just examination results and academic achievement. The individual development of each pupil is underpinned by the encouragement of self-discipline and responsibility. We encourage learning through experience and as such the extracurricular programme is fundamental in providing pupils with broader life experiences. Pupils are encouraged to take part in as many activities as possible; with numerous societies and clubs to choose from, pupils are spoilt for choice.

'Fulneck provides an excellent education experience for all pupils and pupils' personal development is outstanding throughout the school.' ISI Report, December 2010





Tailored education

We embrace individuality and understand that your child's needs are unique. To ensure the best possible education for all our pupils, we provide a broad range of opportunities and facilities. Whether a pupil has an exceptional talent that needs nurturing or struggles in some way with learning, we have the resources in place to give them a firstclass education. Our programme for exceptionally gifted pupils has been developed to support our academically most able and creatively challenged pupils. We help individuals realise their full potential by nurturing their aspirations and guiding motivation. All subject areas throughout the School differentiate according to ability, challenging and extending the development of the most gifted pupils. There is no barrier to success. Our Learning Support Unit has been awarded one of the highest accolades for special learning needs by CReSTeD. As a category DU registered school offering a Dyslexia Unit, Fulneck School offers specialist one-to-one tuition within the School as well as support for dyslexic students in all areas of the curriculum. The inspection report praised our tailored teaching and highlighted that the School 'provides high quality interventions and support both within the unit and throughout mainstream lessons', resulting in 'very good exam performance from dyslexic pupils that is in line with that of their non-dyslexic peers'.

Sixth Form

Fulneck Sixth Form is a supportive, exciting and challenging place. Students can choose from over 25 different A-level courses, all taught in small, stimulating groups, providing the best learning environment available. There are numerous responsibility posts available for students to improve their leadership skills, and the Sixth Formers play a large role within the School community. Since September 2014, students now benefit from a state-of-the-art Sixth Form Centre. Housed in one of our historic listed buildings, the Centre respects the heritage and history that we are so proud of, while simultaneously embracing modern, fresh design and cutting-edge IT resources. With plenty of space for study and socialising, the Centre is a hub of activity and a hugely positive addition to the Fulneck School campus. We offer international students the opportunity to study a one-year pre-A-level foundation course to strengthen their command of the language and familiarise themselves with the British education system before embarking on the demanding two-year A-level course. The one-year

introductory preparation course also offers the added benefit of preparing students to gain five GCSEs, an additional advantage when applying to university.

The School is situated only ten minutes from the centre of Leeds yet overlooks the picturesque Tong Valley, enabling the pupils to benefit from city living in a tranquil country environment - the best of both worlds in our opinion. The original Grade I listed, 18th-century buildings have been tastefully refurbished to meet today's educational needs without losing their essential character. In more recent years, new buildings and facilities have been added, providing excellent teaching facilities and sports fields, tennis and netball courts, and landscaped gardens. The pupils also have access to a nine-hole golf course and horse-riding stables on their doorstep. The School is placed in a prime location for both commuters and boarding pupils. Manchester Airport is one hour from the School, Leeds Bradford International Airport 15 minutes and Leeds City rail station 10 minutes from the site.

Boarding life

Fulneck School is home to a thriving boarding community offering full and weekly boarding to boys and girls in two separate houses. Our staff do their utmost to make pupils feel at home, in safe and secure surroundings. Every child's requirements are catered for in our relaxed family atmosphere where the needs of the individual are paramount. Most students are accommodated in single or double rooms. There is a strong pastoral











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and welfare structure, supervised homework sessions and organised activities throughout the week and at weekends. Pupils are encouraged to communicate regularly with family and friends. The boarding houses have welcoming common rooms and recreational areas and their own ICT facilities; in addition, older students have controlled access to the internet in their own study-bedrooms.

Admissions

Admission is by entrance examination and, where appropriate, a taster day. We would advise parents to register their children early to secure a place on the Fulneck School waiting list.

The next step

If you are interested in finding out how your child could benefit from a Fulneck School education, please contact us and we will arrange for a personal tour and meeting with our Principal, Mrs Newman. You will have the opportunity to view our facilities, meet the staff and, most importantly, meet the people at the heart of our community - our pupils.

Fulneck School is 'the' choice for an outstanding education in Yorkshire.



Key facts

Type of school Co-educational boarding 9–18 and day 3–18 Age range 3-18 Number of pupils 400 Number of boarders 85 Teacher/pupil ratio 1:8 Religious tradition Christian

Fees per term Boarding £6,055-£7,700; Day £2,250-£3,999 ISC associations IAPS, SofH Affiliation CReSTeD







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