



**Easington  
Academy**

# 2025 PROSPECTUS



# Welcome to Easington Academy

Welcome to Easington Academy where there has never been a better time to be a student here. As Headteacher, I am proud to lead a school community where each child is supported to reach their potential in a warm and inspiring environment.

Our students consistently achieve good GCSE results and we are on a steady path of positive progress. In our most recent inspection, we were rated as 'Good' by Ofsted and we are now on a journey of excellence where we aim to compete with the very best schools in the region.

I am extremely proud to lead a talented and dedicated team of staff who know no bounds when it comes to the successes of their students. We are all committed to getting to know your child as an individual to ensure they are supported and challenged to bring out the very best of their abilities.

There is so much more to Easington Academy than what happens in the classroom. We offer many exciting extra-curricular activities, where there's something for everyone regardless of ability.

Our aim is to ensure that when our students leave us, they do so with happy memories of school and as confident young people ready to make their mark on the world.

Choosing a school for your child is an important decision and I am delighted that you are considering Easington Academy.

**Nicola Falconer**  
Head of School



# About *our school*

**Set in the heart of Easington Village, on the Durham coast, Easington Academy's aim remains constant, to provide the best education possible for the children of our community.**

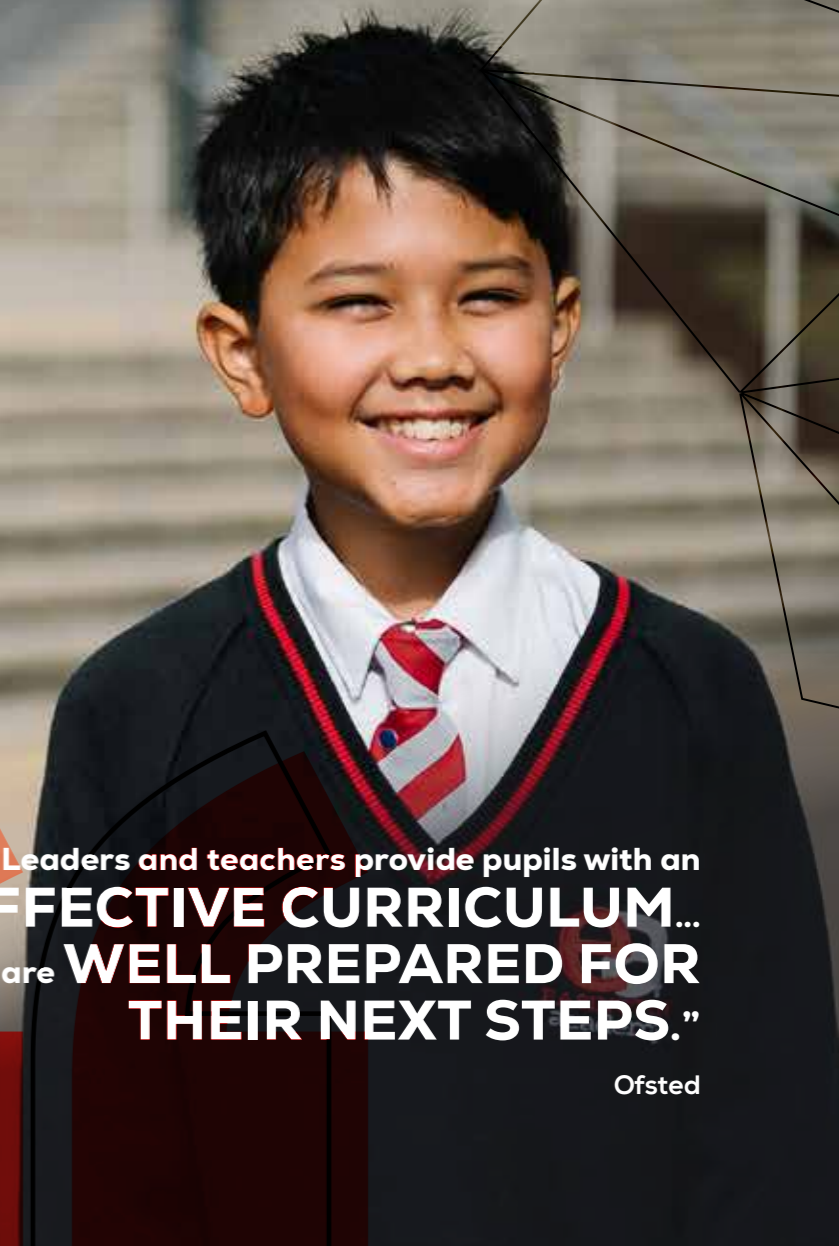
We have a simple vision that we share with all schools in the North East Learning Trust - that every child experiences excellence every day.

Rated 'Good' by Ofsted in our most recent inspection, our school was judged to be providing well for students and exceeding national averages in many areas. Inspectors commented that: "Leaders and teachers provide pupils with an effective

curriculum" and "pupils are well prepared for their next steps".

Our aspirations are high and our performance remains consistently good. In particular, students make better than average progress during their time here.

You can access our full performance tables and Ofsted reports on our website.



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Ofsted



**“I have never known children who are so accepting and supportive to others, in particular their peers.**

**IT ALWAYS FILLS ME WITH WARMTH TO SEE OUR STUDENTS AS AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY.”**

**Julie-Ann Collins, Senior Learning Mentor**

# Teaching & *learning*

**We believe students and their parents/carers have the right to expect a first class education, delivered by teachers who are committed to making learning challenging and rewarding.**

We provide high-quality teaching and, in return, expect a high standard of learning in the classroom. This is evident in the excellent work you will see from our students. Teachers continually strive, through quality professional development and training, to deliver challenging lessons that engage students and drive them towards excellence.

High-quality home learning opportunities are key to students' success. Every student has their own Office 365 account through which they access homework, learning resources and strategies.

Our practice is underpinned by the latest research evidence. Teaching staff employ strategies which help students learn and remember key

content and our tracking system ensures that we can quickly identify students who are struggling to complete work so that appropriate support can be offered.

We believe that the spiritual, social, moral and cultural elements of students' education are crucial to their development and are committed to embedding these themes across the curriculum.

The Government encourages schools to 'promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.' At Easington Academy these values form part of the school ethos and are embedded throughout our curriculum.



# A history of talent

**As well as excelling academically, Easington Academy has a long tradition of nurturing our talented musicians, actors, artists, and sportsmen and sportswomen.**

Our forward-thinking art department caters for our exceptionally creative students in 'The Studio', a well resourced building, which houses a host of specialist equipment, led by dedicated specialist practitioners.

Sporting success is also a top priority, where we encourage excellence and promote participation, providing extensive opportunities for everyone to join in competitive sports - not just our future superstars. This year has seen us excel in many sports including athletics, cricket and football.

Easington Academy is home to many talented musicians, including those


in our orchestra and our exceptional choir have been past winners of the Durham Music Service's Choir of the Year.

Our school has a long tradition in performing arts, with students appearing on stage in national and international venues. Earlier this year our production of School of Rock Jnr, brought the house down!

We also have many students undertaking bronze and silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award awards that recently included an expedition to Roman sites in Northumberland.



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# Aiming *high*

**Students are encouraged to aim high and reach their potential through hard work and tenacity.**

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Many of our students move on to further education and, ultimately, higher education at their chosen sixth forms, colleges and universities and into a range of exciting and rewarding careers.

Former students frequently come back to school to

celebrate their success and are keen to tell us all about their journey since leaving school and their plans for the future.

Recently, former students have successfully moved on to a range of universities, including participation in the Ogden Trust Scholarships.

Other former students have gone on to have successful careers in a range of professions, including medicine, engineering and journalism.





# Support and *guidance*

**We believe that everyone has the right to be respected and to be treated fairly and equally.**

We therefore create a caring and inclusive environment where diversity is valued and where everyone feels secure, listened to and taken seriously.

Our experienced pastoral team support all aspects of our students' needs. We have a dedicated team of specialists, including a full time nurse, counsellor, attendance officer and home school liaison officers.

Our staff are friendly and approachable and will ensure the safety and well-being of our students.

Regardless of their starting points or individual abilities, students are given equal opportunities to excel and are encouraged to be ambitious and to aim high.

We also believe that looking after the individual means that success looks after itself, so we place much emphasis on personalised support.

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**“My daughter has settled well into the school. I feel she is well supported and is continuing to learn -  
VERY HAPPY MAM!”**

## Moving up from *primary*

**Moving from primary to secondary school is a big change in any child’s life, which is why we take great care to make sure it is stress-free.**

Successful adjustment from a small primary to the hustle and bustle of ‘big school’ begins in Year 5 with a variety of exciting and engaging activities delivered by Academy staff. These activities introduce children to new types of learning.

Our structured programme of primary transition can include events such as Junior Sparkies, Let’s Get Cooking, sporting events and engineering challenges, among many others. However, the highlight is our themed ‘transition day’, which is attended by over 200 local primary children.

In Year 6, children are invited to ‘taster days’ where they follow a typical Academy timetable, giving

them a real understanding of how the school looks and feels as well as a chance to meet their new teachers and fellow students. Year 6 pupils joining the Academy in September have access to their own Office 365 account where they can engage with additional transition content to help them get to know the Academy and our staff.

We also offer ‘Moving Up’ sessions for parents and students. These informal meetings focus on the pastoral and academic aspects of the school as well as study skills.

There is also a popular induction evening where students can meet their tutors and the rest of their tutor group.





# International Connections

**To complement their learning within a small community, students at Easington Academy are encouraged and enabled to become global citizens through our exciting international links.**

Through our ever-changing international programme, which includes both in-school projects and overseas trips, students have the opportunity to explore life beyond the UK. This exposure broadens their horizons, allowing them to learn about diverse cultures, traditions, languages, and customs.

In recent years, our students have had the privilege to collaborate with students from all over Europe on different projects.

Recently, a group of our students embarked on an unforgettable trip to The Bahamas, where they partnered with a local Bahamian school and had the honor of meeting the British High Commissioner.

Other students enjoyed the trip of a lifetime experiencing the thrill of skiing on the slopes of Austria, while another group immersed themselves in the culture of Paris, exploring the unforgettable museums, landmarks and patisseries of the French capital.

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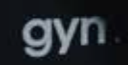
# After school clubs *and activities*



After school, what's better than relaxing on the sofa. Right? Wrong! With our range of enrichment activities, it's 'no' to the sofa and 'yes' to:

“My school is amazing; I like the range opportunities which gives people a chance to **PURSUE THEIR DREAMS.**”

Hallie Williamson,  
Student



Science club	Homework club & buddies club	Netball	Boys' and girls' football	Let's get cooking	Blind date with a book	Book and a brew
Badminton	Table tennis	Trampoline	Art club & Art Sparks	Duke of Edinburgh's Award	Student council	Future Chef
Computer programming club	Orchestra & rock band	Charity events/ fundraising	Music lessons & choir	Basketball	Debate club	Math challenge club





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