



Bedelsford Chaucer Centre

Working together to make the most of every child's ability,
enabling pupils to reach their full potential.



Welcome

from the Principal

“**Bedelsford School** is incredibly proud to establish a satellite site in Merton to meet the significant demand for high quality special education needs places. We are confident that we can successfully replicate the high standards of education and care we provide to our pupils at Bedelsford School in Kingston, at the new Bedelsford Chaucer Centre satellite site.”

Emmet Murphy



from the Head of School

“I look forward to working collaboratively with our dedicated staff team, families, external professionals and the wider Merton and school community to create meaningful support systems that enable our pupils to thrive and achieve their very best success.”

Sadie Cawood



**Bedelsford
Chaucer
Centre**



Bedelsford Chaucer Centre is a satellite site to Bedelsford School, an outstanding special school in Kingston-upon-Thames, and provides an exceptional learning environment for children.

The Department for Education (DfE) granted permission for Bedelsford School to open a temporary satellite site in Merton for children with special education needs in the London Borough of Merton in September 2025.

Pupils

Bedelsford Chaucer Centre will initially cater for 40 pupils of primary age with the potential to offer up to 80 children places over a three-year period.

The satellite provision is for children who have a range of moderate to severe learning difficulties and complex needs. This includes Speech, Language and Communication Needs and may also include Autism Spectrum Conditions and other associated areas of need.

Curriculum

We strive to provide a curriculum that is flexible, exciting and personalised that fits each and every one of our pupils rather than making our pupils fit the curriculum. For our pupils to be successful we know that they need to be able to communicate, regulate themselves and engage with the world around them.

The curriculum that pupils follow will have regard for the National Curriculum, but will prioritise the key skills of communication, independence and emotional regulation and all curriculum decisions will be made in full consultation with families.

Learning Environment

The Bedelsford Chaucer Centre offers an exceptional learning environment for pupils, which is specially adapted to meet the needs of the children. This includes safe and stimulating classrooms, play areas, both indoors and outside, and specialist facilities including therapy and sensory areas.

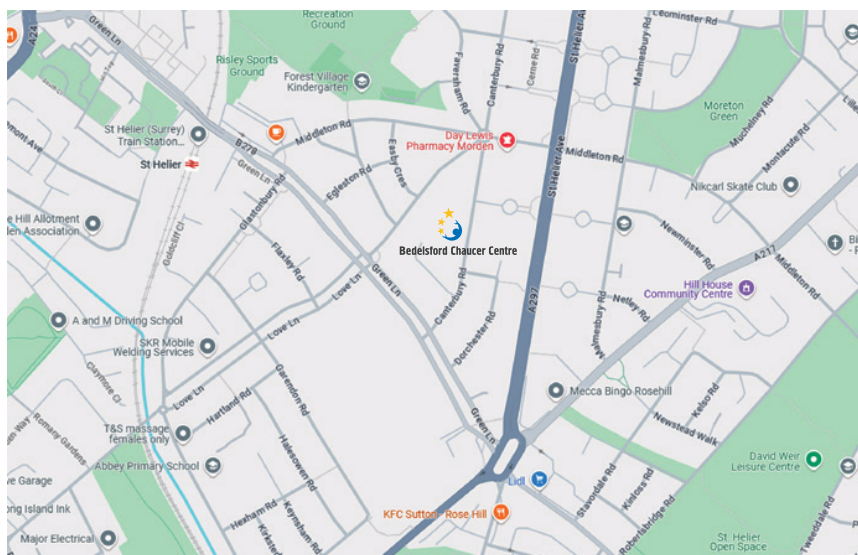
Staff

The Bedelsford Chaucer Centre will be fully staffed by a team with specialist knowledge of the pupil cohort. Sadie Cawood, Head of School, will lead the team of teachers, support staff and therapists to deliver the best possible education to the pupils. In addition, they will be supported by the highly experienced leadership team at Bedelsford.

Free School

Orchard Hill College Academy Trust (OHCAT), is a specialist multi-academy Trust with a number of very successful special schools including Bedelsford School. OHCAT has received approval from the DfE to open a brand new purpose-built Free School in Merton.

Whilst this school is being built, pupils will be educated at the Bedelsford Chaucer Centre with the aim of transferring pupils and staff across to the new school when it opens. The new Free School will provide up to 120 places for pupils with an age range of 4-16 and will be co-educational.



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