

## Frequently asked questions by parents of a child of secondary school age:

**Q: Does the school have a strong Progress 8 score?**

A: At The Henry Beaufort school there are no limitations to a child's attainment because we focus on a child's progress. Over the three years that Progress 8 scores have been in place, our Progress 8 score has continued to increase:

2016: 0.18

2017: 0.22

2018: 0.25 (provisional) meaning that on average, our Year 11 students achieved a quarter of a grade higher across all of their subjects than their prior attainment predicted.

**Q: Does the school have strong and effective financial management of its budget?**

A: Prudent financial management at The Henry Beaufort school has ensured that the school is in an exceptionally strong position financially. We use our budget to secure well-qualified teaching and support staff as well as providing appropriate, good quality resources.

**Q: What opportunities are there for our child to take part in extra curricular activities?**

A: Our curriculum extension activities run every night after school. These range from sport, music, art and drama clubs to Home Learning club and subject specific opportunities such as STEM club. We provide late buses three nights a week so that every child has the opportunity to take part in after school activities.

**Q: What other enrichment opportunities are there for our child?**

A: At The Henry Beaufort school we are very proud of our cultural enrichment programme. We organise trips to theatres and national sporting events as well as taking part in local events such as the annual Mayor Making ceremony. Our commitment is to offer exciting residential trips to places such as New York, the WW1 Battlefields, Finland and Italy, as well as Ski trips and a whole year group camping experience to name just a few.

**Q: Do you have a large turnover of staff?**

A: Not at The Henry Beaufort school. We have a stable and experienced Senior Leadership team. Ofsted have recorded that 'teachers and leaders at all levels are enthusiastic and ambitious' [Ofsted 2017]. Our loyal and committed staff are highly skilled as well as innovative and creative in their approach to teaching. Our Learning Ethos, [HB]<sup>2</sup> ensures that your child quickly becomes an independent learner, highly adept at responding to the requirements of the secondary school curriculum. This independent learning approach is recognised by Sixth Form colleges as a considerable advantage for A Level study.