Oak Heights



For those few enthusiastic applicants that qualify, education is more than academic. Dedicated sports and life skills are key in providing a balance to our curriculum. Here the academic setting is expected; the aim is to prepare elite minds, not only to become the best at their eventual careers, but to become leaders and pioneers.

Teaching Bases



Six years of planning was utilised to research and devise the best construction and layout for the Oak Heights school building. Professional building technicians and advisors played their part in compiling the best environment for both children and teachers to be in.

The premises have unique air flow technology that allows effective circulation, as well as effective discharge of stale air.



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Lighting is designed to eliminate shadows, which creates perfect visibility, thus reducing the risk of eyestrain. Heating (during winter) and cooling (during summer) is evenly distributed to create a balanced temperature throughout the building at all times.

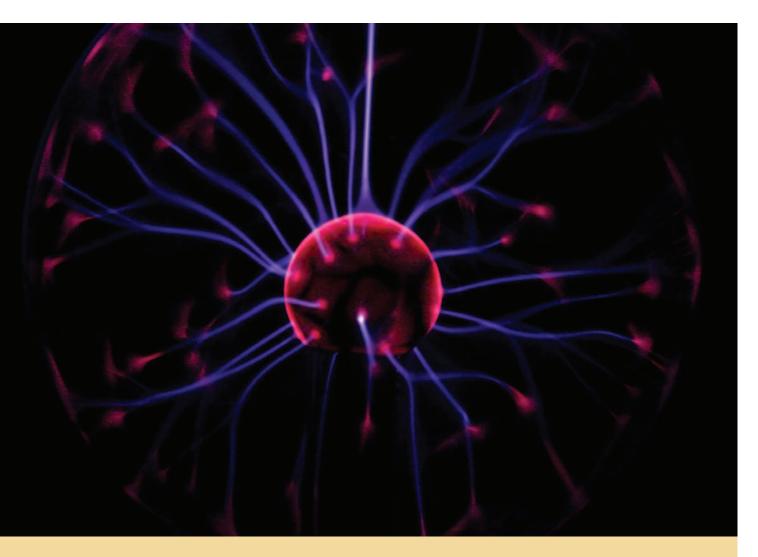
The layout of each classroom is carefully designed so that each teacher can see all their students, as well as what each child is writing - thus providing the obvious benefit of correcting academic problems as they arise.

Desks are designed to accommodate A4 paper and a textbook.

The use of a playground is redundant at Oak Heights, as the daily programme incorporates productive use of breaktimes - in the form of daily yoga and aerobics. The healthy body - healthy mind ethos is taken very seriously and consideration was given to the average sports facilities available at most schools. It was key to Oak Heights that only the best facilities were at hand. Off site, the school has indoor and outdoor

swimming pools and tennis courts, in addition to numerous other sports facilities, such as basketball and badminton courts. Thus the school has aimed to gain the best facilities in all departments.

The main building specialises in serving its purpose as a disciplined teaching/learning ground, with all other aspects of education taking place in their specialised grounds. Overall we believe we have created the perfect environment.



Philosophy

Oak Heights is in pursuance of a more adventurous intellectual spirit. Our goal, ambitious and maybe a bit impetuous, has been to chart the future course of English education - to develop and refine programmes of genuine excellence that encompass the strengths of the national curriculum even while incorporating the interdisciplinary and social dimensions.

We are a work in progress, aiming to establish a breeding ground for future politicians, lawyers, doctors, chartered accountants, investment bankers and other highly respected professionals.

Within this process we intend to generate intellectual capital, not only for university but also for career success.

The school has been specifically designed to have a low overall intake. This allows for excellent regulation and accountability amongst our members. Consequently, every aspect of each child's education and social development is given full attention.

Oak Heights does not only educate out of formality and practice. It educates out of passion and enthusiasm. In addition to discipline, results are achieved through encouragement and motivation.

An education in the fundamentals is accepted as an absolute necessity at this important stage of a child's life, laying the foundation for a tradition

of sound academic standards at later stages. Our academic timetable highlights the emphasis we place on the development of numeracy and literacy.

While there is an uncompromising approach to the acquisition of skills in English and Mathematics, we also help the children to develop inquiring minds and sound study habits. A rich mixture of experience is provided, introducing the students to cultural and artistic awareness.



Curriculum

Every child at Oak Heights will carry a respectable demeanour, making it possible for each child to be associated with a good standard and quality of friends. These students will all be motivated towards great ambitions and consequently encourage each other towards success.

Oak Heights appreciates the importance of extra-curricular activities especially as a source of relief from academia. As a result, all students will frequently engage in sporting lessons. Our sporting regime is primarily developed and based on professional sports, where all students will gain the confidence to participate enjoyably and successfully in any sport.

In consequence, we aim to make every child extremely confident and intelligent, both academically and socially.

The school offers a set range of the most valued GCSE subjects. These include Mathematics, English, English Literature, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, French, History, Religious Studies and General Studies.

Pupils will also pay great attention to the study of current affairs on a daily basis. They will be educated beyond the national curriculum, to the extent of worldwide business news and politics. They will be trained to be socially astute and highly resourceful. Every pupil is monitored closely and the school firmly encourages students to follow an individual programme for out-of-school study. The homework will always be set to provide an appropriate source of revision for the day's learning.



Discipline

The amount of homework set is obviously more than at schools that are less academically ambitious - but the amount will be appropriate to your child's ability and the school's aims. All students are expected to develop good study habits and to work purposefully. Whatever the assignments are, they will be taught to represent expectations, not suggestions.

Children are always expected to show respect for every member at the school. Breaches of the code of conduct are not accepted and will result is disciplinary action. The School Handbook comprehensively outlines the rules imposed by the school.

Working together with parents in monitoring a child's activity is highly valued by the school. We share with parents, the responsibility of exerting a supportive, positive influence on the child.

Consequently we find that communication between the school and parents is crucial. In addition to termly reports and parent teacher meetings, parents can make appointments to discuss any matters relating to their child's general well being at any time throughout the year.



Business School

One of the careers Oaks Heights prepares for is business. Doctors, dentists and barristers are commonly self-employed and require business acumen to support their growth.

Children are taught about business set-up and application. They are taught everything from business plans, finances and leases, to staffing, growth and reinvestment.

Investment products such as commodities, share trading and real estate are also communicated and examined. Business Investment at Oak Heights is where life skills are taught.

Children are taught about mortgages and loans (and the related consequences), types of real estate and the value of long term equity.

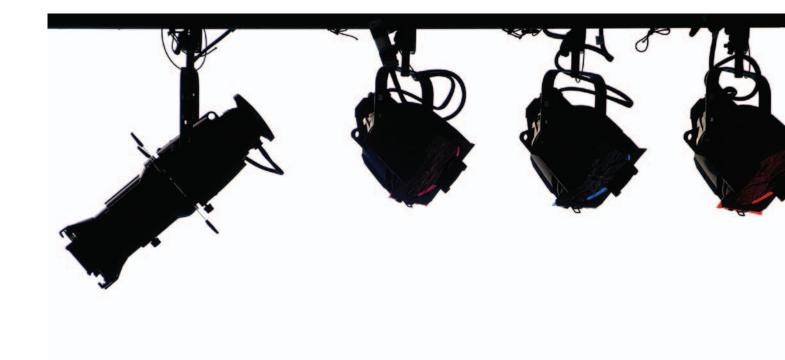
Simulations of business, and the associated hard work that goes with it are also backed by investment funds. Each team has an investment budget they can use when their business preparation is complete. With approval and guidance they will be given a real chance to start up a business - which is incidentally held on trust until they qualify at university degree level.



Sports & Fitness

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Primary sports include swimming and tennis. These sports continue throughout the year on a weekly basis. Children are coached by professionals to competition standard. The use of indoor courts, in addition to outdoor courts, allows tennis to continue through all seasons. Students will experience hard and soft courts to generalise progression.



Theatre & Arts

To develop confidence, children attend dance classes during the defined term time. Some of the styles covered include Street, Classical and Salsa. Routines are devised to encourage team relations and develop rhythm.

Theatre at Oak Heights proffers a time for expression and speech development. Potential actors and actresses are really given an opportunity to explore and invent their creative talent.

Creative Arts span the study of Claude Monet to Technical Drawing and Graphic Design. The marketing side of business is also covered to support the study of business investment classes. Children will learn about corporate logos and advertising.



Application & Entrance

A select number of enthusiastic and determined children will be selected to study with us each year.

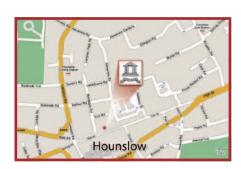
To apply to the school you must simply call to book an appointment. The entrance procedure at Oak Heights is then based on various stages, outlined upon application.

Parents should note that Oak Heights are not just looking for children that score highly in our entrance examination. It is our role to make every qualifying child intelligent. Enthusiasm and determination are factors that will play an important role during application.

The Admissions Committee evaluates each applicant on the basis of the mentioned stages. The regulation of class sizes means competition for places will be fierce, and so admission may be influenced by references.

Location

The school is based in Hounslow Central. The school is prominently located off Lampton Road (A3005) Hounslow. Accessibility to the motorways is good via the Great West Road (A4) and the A312 linking to junction 3 of the M4. The area benefits from Hounslow Central underground station (Piccadilly Line) providing direct access to Heathrow Airport and Central London. In addition the British Rail mainline service connects to Richmond, Reading, Ascot, Staines, and London Waterloo.



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Terms and Conditions

The school operates a strict discipline policy as outlined in the school handbook. Pupil exclusions may apply when children disobey the code of practice. The school reserves the right to withdraw offers if information given at the time of application proves to be incorrect. Furthermore, the school reserves the right to terminate places if it is believed that a particular child is not conforming to the standards expected by the school - e.g. regular omissions of homework or disobedience. Places may also be terminated if it is thought that parents have not upheld their duty to support the school in the way agreed upon during application, and as listed in the school handbook. The school may apply its discretion when finalising offers to potential candidates. The school will not give reasons for failed applications. The school operations are partially regulated by a Board of Governors. The school is firmly committed to a policy of non-discrimination against any person on the basis of sex, age, race, colour, handicap, creed, national origin, ancestry, marital status, or religion. The information contained in this prospectus is subject to change at any time. It is intended to serve only as a general source of information about the school and is in no way intended to state contractual terms.



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