

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 5 and Year 6 Open Evening 2022

I would like to thank you for considering The Suthers School for your child. The Suthers School is a relatively new, non-selective secondary school serving the communities of Newark and the surrounding areas. The school is based in a brand new, purpose built, state of the art building in Fernwood. The school recently celebrated the graduation of its first Year 11 cohort whose GCSE results in English and Maths at Grades 9-5 placed the school in the top 20% of schools nationally. We also achieved a positive Progress 8 score of +0.15 for our students. The school is currently oversubscribed at Key Stage Three (KS3) and is on track to be at full capacity by September 2024.

The Suthers School offers a broad and balanced curriculum at KS3 which enables students to study a wide range of subjects. In Years 7-9, students study a three-year curriculum that addresses and goes far beyond the national curriculum. Students are taught in mixed ability groupings which ensure all students receive the same ambitious and enriching knowledge. We adopt a teaching and learning philosophy known as Fully Guided Instruction which involves 'teaching to the top' and support all students through carefully planned and scaffolded lessons to achieve their full potential.

We know that young people need both a strong academic foundation and well-developed character strengths to succeed in education and the world beyond. Our goal is to help all of our students develop five vital character strengths and to equip them with the skills and social intelligence to have a positive impact on the world around them. These character strengths include Tenacity, Optimism, Respect, Curiosity and Hard Work (TORCH) which empower the young people of Newark to do more than they ever thought possible. We also have an exciting extra-curricular offer which is compulsory for all students on a Tuesday from 3.00 to 4.00 p.m. and optional on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 3.00 to 4.00 p.m.

It is important that you have as much information as possible about The Suthers School to enable you to make an informed choice regarding your child's secondary schooling. I would like to extend a warm invitation to you and your child to visit our Open Evening on **Wednesday 21st September 2022**. During this evening there will be a formal presentation followed by the opportunity to visit subject areas and to talk to staff and students about the school. We are offering presentations/tours at the following times:

- **5.45 p.m.** (please arrive at the school by 5.30 p.m. to register)
- **6.30 p.m.** (please arrive by 6.15 p.m. to register)

If you would like to register your interest please complete the online form at:

https://www.thesuthersschool.co.uk/forms/y6_open_evening_2022.php

Yours Sincerely,

Nic Watkin
Head Teacher