



## A new high school for the whole Pinner community

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HARROW'S HIGH SCHOOLS ARE
PROPOSING TO ESTABLISH A NEW
SECONDARY SCHOOL, PINNER HIGH
SCHOOL, FOR LOCAL STUDENTS AGED
11-18 ON THE SITE OF THE CURRENT
HEATHFIELD SCHOOL.

THIS LEAFLET GIVES MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSAL, AND EXPLAINS HOW PARENTS CAN DEMONSTRATE THEIR SUPPORT FOR PINNER HIGH SCHOOL.

### WHY IS PINNER HIGH SCHOOL BEING PROPOSED?

Pinner High School is being proposed for three reasons:

### Local schools are heavily over-subscribed

Nower Hill and Whitmore high schools nearby are consistently over-subscribed and received nearly 750 first choice preferences for entry in September 2014 (compared to 570 Year 7 places available);

### Demand for places is going to increase

The number of children in primary schools in Harrow and Hillingdon is rising significantly and these children will begin to reach high school age from the middle of the decade – more local school places will be required to meet this demand;

## **The site**

Pinner High School is proposed to be situated on the site of the current Heathfield School (adjacent to Cannon Lane Primary School) which is due to relocate in summer 2014. It is rare to find such a good site, with enough outdoor space, in London. The site should become a school for the whole local community.

### WHAT IS PINNER HIGH SCHOOL?

Pinner High School would:

- Open in 2016 on the site of the current Heathfield School;
- Have 180 places a year for students to join Year 7;
- Be for students aged 11-18, including a sixth form on site that is part of the thriving Harrow Sixth Form Collegiate;
- Include a centre to support 12 children on the autistic spectrum to access a mainstream curriculum;
- Be established by existing successful local high schools; and
- Admit children of all faiths and none, giving priority to local children (and siblings from the second year of being open).



# WHAT WOULD THE ETHOS OF PINNER HIGH SCHOOL BE?

Pinner High School would be an inclusive, community school that is characterised by:

- expecting the highest standards from students and staff;
- a calm, friendly, and disciplined environment with positive relationships;
- a curriculum that excites and stretches all students;
- knowing every student and supporting their personal development;
- working in partnership with families and the wider community;
- continual self-evaluation and improvement;
   and
- preparing students to have the skills and knowledge required to progress successfully from school.

### WHAT WOULD STUDENTS LEARN?

The curriculum builds on the experience of Harrow's high schools in meeting the needs of local children.

The Key Stage 3 curriculum in Years 7 and 8 would include approximately half of the timetable for English, Maths, Science, and Modern and Community Languages. The broad and balanced curriculum would include humanities, art, design and technology, PE, drama, music, ICT / computing, and PRE (philosophy, religion and ethics). There would be structured programmes to stretch those with particular strengths in different subjects and to support those who did not achieve Level 4 at Key Stage 2.

The Key Stage 4 curriculum would have a core GCSE curriculum in English, Maths, Science, PE, and PRE, including banding to ensure appropriate stretch and challenge. Students would then select options depending upon their interests and abilities, which would include EBacc options and pre-apprenticeship opportunities.

The compulsory school day and school year at Pinner High School would be similar to other local schools, with extensive opportunity for extra-curricula activities beyond the core day.



### WHO IS PROPOSING PINNER HIGH SCHOOL?

Pinner High School is being proposed by local high schools in Harrow, who already receive students from the likely catchment of Pinner High School. These schools believe that a new school in Pinner should for the whole of the local community.

The high schools in Harrow are very successful – seven of the ten schools, have 'Outstanding' judgements in their most recent Ofsted inspections.

Integrating Pinner High School with other local secondary schools also enables it to benefit from their programmes of staff development, to share staff during the first years when Pinner High will have only some year groups (so ensuring sufficient specialisation of staff and helping recruitment and retention), and to work with other schools on developing the detailed curriculum.

The high schools proposing Pinner High School are Bentley Wood High School, Canons High School, Harrow High School, Hatch End High School, Nower Hill High School, Park High School, Rooks Heath College, Sacred Heart Language College, Salvatorian College, and Whitmore High School.

### **HOW WOULD STUDENTS BE ADMITTED?**

Pinner High School would be open to all local students, irrespective of faith, gender, ethnicity, or background. It would be an inclusive community school. Like those schools, almost all places would be given to children who live closest to the school (and siblings from the second year of being open).

### **HOW DO I SHOW MY SUPPORT?**

The application to the Secretary of State needs to show the support for the school, especially from parents of children who are due to start Year 7 in September 2016 or September 2017 (currently in Year 3 and Year 4). If you have children of this age and support the establishment of Pinner High School, please complete the form at www.pinnerhighschool.org.uk before Friday 25 April 2014.

### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The application to establish Pinner High School will be submitted to the Secretary of State in May 2014, with a decision anticipated around the end of term in July. If that decision is 'yes', the Government will try to secure the Heathfield site, detailed preparation and planning for the school would begin, and the Headteacher Designate would be recruited to start in September 2015.