



Lakelands Academy

Ethos and Values

Lakelands Academy is an inclusive school, with a family ethos that supports all of its young people to grow and evolve as ambitious learners, developing resilience, self- belief, adaptability, and compassion.

We aim to provide high quality education and experiences by:

- Creating an innovative, responsive and personalised curriculum so that all learners can secure high standards of progress and achievement;
- Offering a range of activities – curricular and extra-curricular – in order to develop the knowledge, skills and attributes essential for life and work in the 21st century;
- Providing a caring, happy and supportive environment, where expectations and responsibilities are clearly understood and readily accepted, and where students develop respect, and an intrinsic motivation to support each other;
- Broadening our students' horizons and nurturing an understanding and appreciation of the interdependence of individuals, groups, communities and nations;
- Fostering a dynamic, vibrant professional learning community where research, reflection and training ensure high quality practice;
- Communicating and collaborating to enhance the partnership between school, home and the wider community.

In putting our ethos and values into practice, we challenge our students to develop skills of self- regulation, high standards in all aspects of school life, and a responsible, compassionate approach to others by asking them:-

- **Is it safe?**
- **Is it smart?**
- **Is it responsible?**
- **Is it kind?**