

Prospectus 2024

Welcome to Trinity Academy Akroydon

Information for parents and children looking to join the academy in 2024

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Oliver Grant-Roberts, Principal

Welcome from the Principal

The academy joined the Trinity Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) in February 2017. Since then, the staff of the academy and its governing body have been working closely with our pupils and their families to achieve the very best for our community. Our school values are Empathy, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility, and these values are intertwined throughout our everyday school life. We intend to prepare our children both socially and academically so that when they leave us, they have a lifelong love of learning and take our shared values into the wider world. Our children make us - they are kind, polite, excited to learn, and supportive of one another. We aim for our pupils to become confident in everything they do and to be the best version of themselves.

The academy is the only primary school that is a direct feeder school into the outstanding Trinity Academy Halifax. By securing a place with us, your child will begin their 'Trinity journey' as we prepare them for a seamless transition to an outstanding secondary education within Trinity MAT's family of schools. I look forward to meeting you soon and sharing all that Trinity Academy Akroydon has to offer.

Oliver Grant-Roberts | Principal



EMPATHY, HONESTY, RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY

Welcome from the Trinity MAT CEO

In 2015, when the Trinity Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) was established, our brief was a simple one. Whilst the intervening period of time has seen numerous different challenges, one thing has remained constant: We are determined to make a positive difference, on as wide a scale as possible, where it matters most. That is as complicated as we allow it to become. The Trust now contains eleven institutions, catering for ages 4 to 18, across five local authorities, with exciting programmes like Trinity Scholars and Earthshot. It also incorporates White Rose Education, an organisation that has improved the life chances of countless young people around the world, and the West Yorkshire Maths Hub - as well as working to support thousands of staff regionally through our Trinity Institute of Education outreach work. Our journey has taken us a long way; our ambition for young people, coupled with our desire to continually improve, tell us that this is just the start. For parents seeking educational excellence with an exciting broad extra curriculum offer for their child/children, we warmly welcome to Trinity.

Mr

Michael Gosling | CEO

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"Effective collaboration, across a wide number of schools is an important part of who we are."

Proud to be part of Trinity MAT



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We are overjoyed to be a part of Trinity MAT. The support we receive from our external initiatives and fellow schools helps us to achieve all that we do. The success of our MAT rests on the team around us and we are sincerely grateful to all who are part of Team Trinity, contributing to our success and growth every day.

Trinity MAT is officially titled a World Class MAT

Trinity MAT has officially been awarded as a World Class MAT! We are one of just six Multi-Academy Trusts' in the country to receive this accreditation, demonstrating the world class education and students that are at the core of Trinity MAT.

Trinity MAT has been crowned 'Medium MAT of the Year'

Trinity MAT has been awarded the title 'Medium MAT of the Year' by the Multi Academy Trust Association (MATA). Staff across our academies, external initiatives and central services were overjoyed with the news.

Trinity Multi-Academy Trust has a reputation of transforming schools, delivering a 'world class' education to every pupil and the families we serve. This translates into a unique education provision for your child:

 Well balanced curriculum: Enabling every child to master the core elements of English and Maths; plus working with our secondary schools to provide special input to STEM and arts subjects at primary level.

World Class

- An excellent behaviour and learning environment, including good quality classrooms, clear expectations of staff and pupils and high standards of education, with our children's well-being at the centre of our ethos.
- Consistency through endto-end education: Excellent preparation for pupils moving through the academy and then on to secondary phase of education. Trinity Academy Akroydon is the only feeder school for the outstanding Trinity Academy Halifax.
- Wraparound care to support working parents: Provision of high-quality wraparound education, including before and after school clubs, extracurricular experiences and development of life skills.

Since joining the Trinity Multi-Academy Trust in February 2017, the academy became the most improved primary school in Calderdale and was in the top 1% of most improved schools nationally by 2019.

While these results are important, they are only part of our story. Our first priority is to create an environment where our pupils enjoy an outstanding education which will set them on the path for lifelong success. The children's happiness and well-being is very important to us.

The academy has also seen improvement in the learning environment following investment by the Trust in the facilities and Early Years provision of the academy.

Our core values of Empathy, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility are at the heart of all we do in our academy community, and run through every aspect of our school life.

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Developing skills in and out of the classroom

Our curriculum is underpinned by the National Curriculum, which sets out the programmes of study that our pupils cover in their classes.

However, when we talk about successful Akroydon pupils, we aim to develop each child's special skills, talents and interests – including the provision of an appropriate educational programme for all pupils with special educational needs. Pupils are encouraged to participate in many memorable experiences during their time at the academy, which will enthuse and interest them in areas such as sports, science, drama, dance and the arts.

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Pupils at Trinity Academy Akroydon benefit from exceptional outdoor areas with fantastic play equipment for all ages. Our children also have the remarkable learning opportunities presented by a Forest School – right in the heart of our academy grounds.

This popular provision encourages children to appreciate and enjoy the outdoor environment. Engaging in Forest School activities gives our pupils the freedom to explore and experience the natural world in all seasons and all weathers. It is an ideal environment to work co-operatively with others, solve problems, be creative and develop independence. In the Forest School, we use natural resources for inspiration, which allows children to get involved in a wide range of activities such as pond dipping, den building, raft building and observing wildlife.

Uniform

Pupils at Trinity Academy Akroydon are expected to wear their uniform to a high standard. This reflects their pride in being part of our academy community, and is important preparation for secondary school, and beyond that, the workplace.

Parents and carers have an important part to play in ensuring that their child arrives each day in full uniform. We are grateful for the support of our parents and their understanding that our children take pride in their uniform, as detailed in the table below:

Boys
Akroydon tie
Red Akroydon V-neck jumper
White collared shirt, long or short sleeved
Grey trousers
Grey/black socks
Grey shorts (summer term only)
Black school shoes



We offer our families a free uniform voucher worth £50 when their child joins TAA. This covers any branded uniform items, including our PE kit.

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Reception Admissions

Our admission number is up to 30. Parents wishing to apply for a place in Reception should fill in an online Calderdale Admissions Form by 15th January 2024 prior to admission in September 2024.

We hold open events for parents and children, where they have the opportunity to meet the staff and see the Reception area.

Years 1 – 6 Admissions

Parents of children in Years 1 to 6 wishing to join the academy are invited to make an appointment to visit. An application form is available from the academy office and completed forms can be returned to the academy or to Calderdale Education Department. The application will then be considered at the fortnightly North Halifax or Central Halifax BAC panel meeting.



Wraparound care

Before and after school clubs are available for children attending the academy, offering childcare for parents who need to drop their children off before the school opens, or collect them after the end of the school day. Our clubs give children the opportunity to interact with others who may not be in their class, encouraging them to make new friends.

At Breakfast Club we have lots of crafts and encourage the children to be creative. We also offer a range of activities for all ages, including word searches, crosswords and Times Tables Rock Star sheets. In After School Club we try spend as much time as we can outside, playing group games and enjoying the outdoor equipment.

Opening times:

Breakfast Club - from 7.45am until 8.50am After School Club – from 3.20pm until 6.00pm

We provide nutritious snacks for the children attending both clubs. Sessions can be booked and paid for via an easy to use app. The ONLY primary feeder school to the outstanding Trinity Academy Halifax

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