



Ethos and Mission Statement

George Dixon Academy is committed to creating and maintaining a caring community in which the potential of all is realized, encapsulated by the Academy motto: from possibility to reality.

“A posse ad esse” (From possibility to reality)

There are five key elements to life at GDA:

- the individual is valued
- all can achieve their potential
- the climate is challenging and supportive
- effort and success are celebrated
- awareness of the local, national and international community is fostered

Our Aims

To fulfill our Mission Statement, the following aims have been established:

- To enable each student to develop personally, socially, aesthetically and intellectually through active and innovative learning experiences
- To promote the independence and sense of responsibility important for life in a changing world
- To provide a secure moral framework where children can acquire the values which form the basis of a caring community

Our model students should:

- Be equipped with inter-personal skills, e.g. empathy, respect, co-operation, tolerance
- Take opportunities to develop self-awareness, self-discipline and self-esteem
- Understand the importance of a healthy lifestyle
- Be able to question and argue rationally and develop skills in decision making, problem solving and personal organisation
- Develop skills and attitudes which will enhance their contribution to local and global citizenship



- Acquire a wide range of skills for the world of work, for continuing education, for home and family
- Have respect for the environment.

Our Academic commitment to our students:

The staff and trustees of the Academy aim to provide outstanding opportunities for all students:

- To develop knowledge, skills, concepts and appropriate attitudes in all aspects of the curriculum
- To continue their development in literacy and numeracy across the curriculum
- To develop their ICT skills in all areas of the curriculum
- To develop study skills to acquire knowledge and be able to use it effectively
- To prepare students for life-long learning.

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