



John Kyrle High School

& Sixth Form Centre

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Welcome to our Website.

Whether you are a first-time visitor, a current or prospective member of our community, I hope you find the information you require and get a flavour of our successful, popular and unique school which I am immensely proud to lead.

In the summer of 2016 the school gained outstanding examination results which ranked amongst the best in its history at both GCSE and A Level. These outcomes are, once again, significantly above local and national averages for attainment, and student progress will continue to place us in the upper quintiles of schools and colleges across the country.

On our return to school in September students continued to settle into our recently-completed £1.2 million Maths Centre of Excellence and we put the finishing touches to the new Literacy Resource Centre which includes a new computer suite for English.

My mantra, shared with students, is that I want them to be Happy, Healthy and Successful. The school's motto Carpe Diem – Seize the Day – means that we do all we can to ensure students and staff enjoy their time in school. I believe that students have one chance at education and it is my job to ensure they are given every opportunity to fulfil their potential.

We are a school at the heart of our community and work in partnership with local voluntary groups, charities and churches.

As Headteacher, I have gained a reputation for an 'old-fashioned' approach in terms of leadership. If 'old-fashioned' means traditional expectations of students being courteous, hardworking, showing respect to self and others and taking part in the wider life of the school, then I am guilty as charged. The key focus of the school is on providing high-quality teaching and learning experiences within a caring and orderly environment.

We welcome external critique of the school and our most recent Ofsted inspection in September, 2012 gave "Outstanding" gradings for Student Behaviour, Leadership & Management and to our Sixth Form whose results place us consistently in the top 10% of schools nationally.



The school is fortunate with hugely committed staff keen to provide extra-curricular activities in a multitude of areas. These include music, drama, sport and the opportunities to travel. We run regular skiing trips; a biennial sports tour to Canada or South Africa and liaise with our partner schools in France, Germany and Kisiki College, Namatumba, Uganda.

Additionally, the school is involved in *System Leadership* nationally. In my capacity as a National Leader of Education and supported by colleagues in school who are qualified Specialist Leaders in Education we work formally with schools, Academy Trusts and Local Authorities across the West Midlands and Gloucestershire. I am also a Lead Ofsted Inspector.

We see parents and carers as providing a pivotal role and often talk of the three-way partnership between student, school and home. We are ambitious for your children – our students – and expect, in return, your support on matters such as homework, uniform and students being our ambassadors in the wider community. It is also important that you share any concerns with us. Whilst I am always delighted with student and parental satisfaction via our biennial, independently-administered Education Perceptions Monitor and on Ofsted's Parent View, John Kyrle High School prides itself on attention to detail and if anything requires fine-tuning we would like to know.

As ever, the best way to find out about us is to visit us. We welcome visitors and if you are considering John Kyrle for your son or daughter, or are a prospective member of staff, please contact us and make an appointment. We are always proud to show people around our school. My team and I look forward to meeting you.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. Griffiths". The signature is stylized and includes a horizontal line underneath the name.

Nigel Griffiths
Headteacher