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 **Ashby  
School**  
Empowered to Learn

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# Welcome

We're delighted that you are considering Ashby School. We have a proud history of delivering an ambitious and aspirational education for all students – and we're excited to build on this as we enter a new era of growth and collaboration as an 11- 18 school.

As part of the LiFE Multi Academy Trust, we are delighted to partner with so many other successful schools and to embrace the opportunities this offers.

With the right education, we believe anything is possible – an ethos that underpins everything we do at Ashby School, both inside and outside the classroom.

We're also thrilled to be welcoming our first Year 7s! We have worked incredibly hard with our local partner schools and those across the LiFE school family to shape our 'Real Life' curriculum approach for Key Stage 3. This will allow our students to develop a love of learning while also gaining the knowledge, skills and continuity of education to maximise their potential.

Ashby's outstanding facilities help to bring our curriculum to life. From achievements on the sports fields to creativity in the theatre, production in the workshops to active engagement online, students at Ashby can access a broad curriculum of the highest standard. Alongside this, all students are taught by passionate subject specialists and supported by our experienced pastoral team to ensure that all students are 'Empowered to Learn'.

We want our students to be happy at Ashby and to leave school as versatile and resilient individuals with rich memories and the confidence and skills to seize the opportunities that life offers them. To this end, Ashby offers a wide range of varied extra-curricular opportunities which develop students' social and interpersonal skills and support their progress.

Ashby is a school with a history, a school with a heart, a school with ambition and a school that knows we are stronger together. We would be delighted to share in your educational journey and look forward to meeting you soon.

Dr Jude Mellor  
Headteacher

## Our ethos

We want our students to:

- Experience that anything is possible
- Believe anything is possible
- Embody anything is possible





*A massive thank you for the support and guidance you have given to our son at Ashby. I'm extremely grateful for your inspirational teaching which means he has gained confidence and a love for the subject.'*  
- Parent

## Start your Ashby School Success Story in Year 7

We're excited to welcome Year 7 students and to be able to shape our young learners from an even earlier age, unlocking opportunities for even greater achievement.

More importantly, we want our Year 7 students to feel both excited and supported as they begin their Ashby School story with us.

We deliver a curriculum that makes students want to attend, engage and achieve. Students will develop a secure knowledge and understanding across all subjects, as they embark on a journey leading to GCSE and A level study, and beyond.

We also offer numerous opportunities for our students to be active and creative, encouraging them to have fun while developing their own individual strengths and interests.

Student health, happiness and wellbeing is a top priority at Ashby School. Every Year 7 student will be given the guidance and support they need to become confident, happy and successful members of the school community.





## Year 10: A Curriculum for Success

Our KS4 curriculum is designed to engage, challenge and inspire students of all abilities and to equip them for the next stage of their journey, whether in education or the workplace.

We offer a wide range of traditional and vocational subjects, allowing every student to build a portfolio tailored to their own strengths and aspirations, and enabling them to fulfil their potential.

While Ashby has a strong tradition of academic excellence, we understand that school is not just about exam success. With this in mind, we offer a holistic curriculum, focused on developing character and instilling the values of the '3 Rs': Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

All students have access to a robust pastoral system to protect and support their mental health and wellbeing throughout their time at Ashby School.

For students with Special Educational Needs (SEN), we have a team of expert staff experienced at providing bespoke support for a range of learning and educational needs.



*'Thank you for giving us the space and opportunity to voice our opinions on how we feel. We wouldn't be able to do this if you didn't create such a safe environment for us to do so.'*  
- Student



## Our Sixth Form

Ashby School has one of the largest and most successful Sixth Forms in Leicestershire. Sixth Formers have their own dedicated, Sixth Form campus set in picturesque grounds.

Accommodating more than 600 Post-16 students, the campus includes bespoke classrooms and teaching facilities, as well as social and study spaces and catering outlets.

A large majority of Sixth Formers choose to stay on after their Year 11 studies, but many join from other schools.

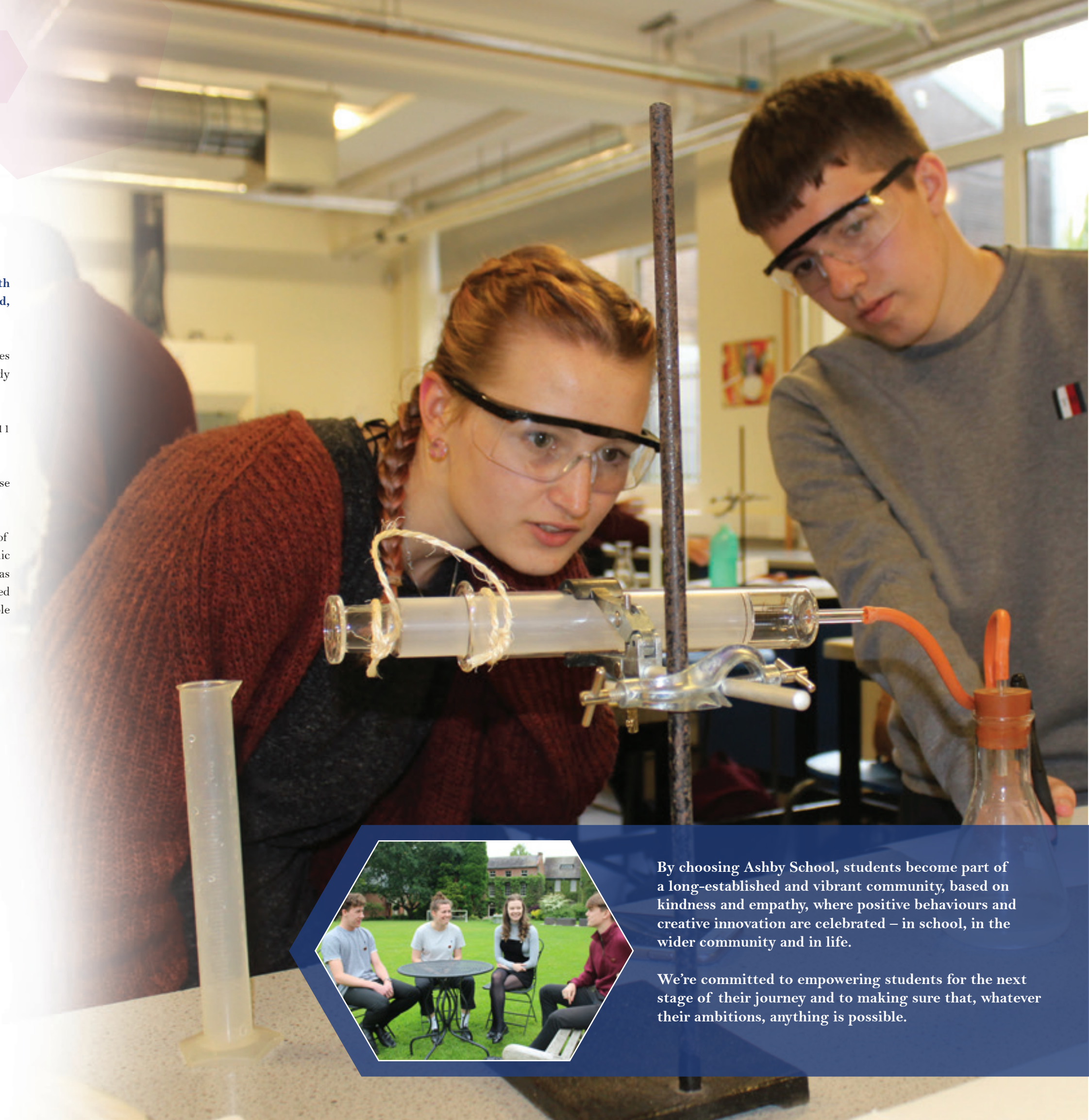
We offer a large variety of traditional A level courses but also specialise in Level 3 qualifications.

Like all students, Sixth Formers can sign up for a wide range of enrichment activities, including sport, the performing arts, public speaking and the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme, as well as numerous educational trips and visits. Sixth Formers are also involved in mentoring schemes for younger students and are important role models in the school community.



*'Ashby School offers a superb standard of education and support to students, their parents and the wider community.'* - Parent

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By choosing Ashby School, students become part of a long-established and vibrant community, based on kindness and empathy, where positive behaviours and creative innovation are celebrated – in school, in the wider community and in life.

We're committed to empowering students for the next stage of their journey and to making sure that, whatever their ambitions, anything is possible.



## Ashby School is part of the MULTI ACADEMY TRUST



### Vision

We have a compelling desire to provide a high quality, personalised and rounded education for everyone, right in the heart of our local community. We believe that no school can be deemed successful unless all those around it are also successful, popular and flourishing. Hence we believe that dynamic, mutually accountable collaboration and challenge between local schools as members of the LiFE MAT is the cornerstone of our future success.

Each of our schools needs to be seen as a leader of, and vital to, its local community; each school is regarded as fundamental to the identity of its surrounding community. In this capacity we will relentlessly promote the values of inclusion and the celebration of diversity, alongside personal responsibility and respect.

### Values

- Ensuring that every student achieves positive, life changing outcomes
- Providing a whole education: academic excellence co-existing with an exceptional commitment to activity beyond the school gate
- The relentless pursuit of excellence by; expecting this of every person, every day; recognising and celebrating behaviours that lead to great progress and promoting and celebrating elite performance inside school and in the wider world
- Valuing and promoting the celebration and understanding of diversity and qualities of our staff and students
- Ensuring that all students and staff feel known, appreciated and supported
- Committing whole-heartedly to collaboration within, between and beyond our academies
- Ensuring our curricula are agents for the promotion of our values

### Mission

#### Long term goal

- Outcomes equal to the best nationally and internationally for every school and every child
- Every child receives a truly rounded education resulting in a strong moral compass, a globally competitive skill set and a confident sense of self
- Every school is a hub for community activities, a centre for extended services and a source of immense pride for students, their families and other local stakeholders.
- Providing high quality buildings, engaging classrooms and excellent sporting facilities
- Delivering innovative learning resources and materials
- Ensuring a well-disciplined and caring environment
- Exploiting cutting edge technologies to expand the opportunities for students, staff and our community to benefit from learning in a digital age.

#### Medium term objectives

- Each school is confident and thriving in its development; schools are beyond challenge from Ofsted in achieving the aims and values of the LiFE MAT.







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