

# SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (SIP) 2024-2028

# The School Improvement Plan (SIP) flows directly from our 440 Forwards Strategy.

#### **Our Priority:**

The wellbeing and care of our pupils.

#### **Our Purpose:**

To teach pupils the knowledge, skills and values to flourish at Oakham School and beyond.

#### **Our Values:**

- Care
- Courage
- Contribution
- Connection

#### **Our Skills:**

- Thinking
- Communication
- Social
- Self-Management
- Research



# **Our Strategic Objectives:**

#### **Our Education:**

An ambitious and innovative Connected Curriculum for ages 11-18, interlinking knowledge, skills and values across the Academic, Pastoral and Co-Curricular spheres.

#### Academic:

- Learning and Teaching
- · Scholarship and Enrichment
- · Technology and Digital Confidence

#### **Pastoral Learning:**

- · Physical and Mental Health
- Knowing Ourselves and Understanding Others
- Careers and Future Pathways

#### **Co-Curricular:**

- Service and Leadership
- Sport, Activity and Adventure
- Creative and Performing Arts

#### Our School:

A fully integrated 11-18, 50:50 co-educational boarding and day school with the benefits of Saturday school and extended days.

#### **Integration:**

Bringing boarding and day pupils together in a rich, diverse and inclusive House community.

#### Co-education:

Evolving of our pastoral structures and experiences for all pupils to develop and flourish.

#### **Modern Boarding:**

Providing high-quality home-from-home boarding with full and flexible options for local, national and international pupils.

### **Our Community:**

A community with strong relationships, creating a sense of belonging and pride for everyone working with and at Oakham School.

#### People:

Sustaining an ethos where all staff contribute, develop and work together with high standards and mutual respect.

#### **Partnership:**

Collaborating with our parents, alumni, and community at home and abroad.

#### Place:

Maintaining and developing a vibrant, inspiring and safe environment to live, learn and work.

# To deliver our plan, the Oakham School Trustees and Senior Leadership Team will:

- Maintain and enhance the trust and collaboration between parents and the School through timely and open communication.
- $\bullet \ Seek \ philanthropic \ support \ with \ targeted \ and \ legacy \ fundraising \ through \ the \ Work \ of \ the \ Oakham \ School \ Foundation.$
- Ensure the School has a sustainable Admissions, Marketing and Financial plan to deliver the strategic vision.

#### **Our Education:**

An ambitious and innovative Connected Curriculum for ages 11-18, interlinking knowledge, skills and values across the Academic, Pastoral and Co- Curricular spheres.

#### Focus:

- 1. Ensure our education offers relevance and value.
- 2. Champion 'Skills' across the curriculum.
- 3. Ensure high quality teaching fully supports pupils' progress.
- 4. Develop a culture of curiosity, and the courage to challenge ourselves.
- 5. Prepare pupils to live and flourish in an evolving digital age.
- 6. Articulate the necessity and benefits of Pastoral Learning.
- 7. Encourage and promote good lifelong physical and mental health.
- 8. Nurture a culture of self-reflection and emotional literacy.
- 9. Cultivate a strong ethos of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion throughout the curriculum.
- 10. Empower pupils to make informed choices throughout their Oakham journey.
- 11. Champion the benefits of Service and Leadership.
- 12. Provide outstanding opportunities for participation and performance in:
  - Sport, Activity and Adventure.
  - Creative and Performing Arts.

#### **Our School:**

A fully integrated 11-18, 50:50 co-educational boarding and day school with the benefits of Saturday school and extended days.

#### Focus:

- 1. Create a clear, connected 'One School' ethos from Year 7 to 13.
- 2. Deliver outstanding co-education.
- 3. Deliver excellence in pastoral care based around a House structure.
- 4. Ensure modern boarding that works for pupils and families.
- 5. Champion the experience of Saturday school and the extended day.
- 6. Enhance the strong culture of pupil voice.

## **Our Community:**

A community with strong relationships, creating a sense of belonging and pride for everyone working with and at Oakham School.

#### Focus:

- 1. Ensure a sense of shared belonging and purpose across the school community.
- 2. Recruit, inspire and develop excellent staff to deliver Our Priority and Our Purpose.
- 3. Build strong mutually beneficial relationships that enrich our community.
- 4. Maintain the highest standards of communication and collaboration with parents.
- 5. Engage with alumni for their advocacy, expertise and friendship.
- 6. Develop fundraising for bursary support and capital projects to benefit Oakhamians and our wider community.
- 7. Implement an aspirational and sustainable Estate Plan to support Our Priority and Our Purpose.
- 8. Sustain an environment where we can live, learn and work as a flourishing community.