



Who will you Become at Surbiton High School?



You are about to embark on the next chapter of your school life. Senior school is such an exciting time; full of anticipation and opportunity. At Surbiton High School, you'll forge many long-lasting friendships, discover new passions and find out what really inspires you. Senior school is where I discovered my passion for fitness, my interest in gymnastics, my enthusiasm for theatre and my love for travelling the world.

We are sorry you cannot come into the School at the moment to see, feel and understand what Surbiton High School is truly about. There is nothing better than feeling the buzz of the School and the chatter of pupils as they engage in lessons. We hope the virtual tour that you will watch whilst completing this booklet will go some way towards helping you discover more about us and more about who you will become at Surbiton High School. The possibilities are endless!

Rebecca Glover, Principal

Surbiton High School is a campus-style school with a number of different buildings that you will move between during the school day. Highlighted below are the main buildings used by the Senior School pupils.



Let's get started on your virtual tour of Surbiton High School. Scan the QR code to start your tour and answer the questions below as you go.



SCAN ME

As you go around the School, in amongst the footage you'll see the letters of an anagram. There are 19 letters you will need to find and note down on **page 17**. Once you've got them all, unscramble them to see what sentence they make.

Surbiton Assembly Rooms

You are starting at the Surbiton Assembly Rooms, which were built in the 1890s and used to host ballroom dancing, concerts and public events. Now it is where you will discover the world through Geography, develop your love for music, enjoy events within the Main Hall and savour lunches and conversations within the Dining Hall. We are off to Music first.

What type of musician will you be?



Composer



Conductor



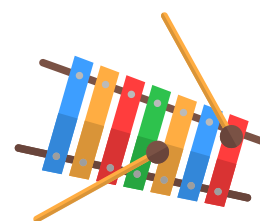
Jazz



Maveric/Enigma



Modern



Opera



Popular/Musical
Theatre



Romantic



Western
Classical



Lots of events take place in the Main Hall - presentations, concerts, drama and dance performances, assemblies, gymnastics, local competitions and of course the renowned Surbiton High School Annual Fashion Show.

What role would you like in the annual Fashion Show?



Choreographer



Designer



Make-up artist



Backstage hand



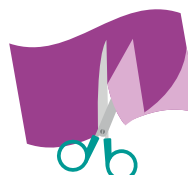
Media creation



Social media
curator



Student House
leader



The stairs from the Main Hall connect you to the Dining Hall. On the way down, you will explore some of the co-curricular clubs that usually run throughout the year.

What co-curricular clubs would be top of your list to try?



You are now in our Dining Hall, which offers a huge variety of hot and cold meals every day, from all around the world. There is also a tuck shop at breaktime too!

What country is your favourite food from?



Usually when you cross the road by the crossing, Maria, our Crossing Supervisor, is here during the school day to give you a friendly smile and guide you on your way. You are now heading over to Mary Bennett House.

Mary Bennett House

This building is named after the first Head of Surbiton High School – Miss Mary Amelia Bennett. The School originally opened in 1884 with 11 pupils! Mary Bennett House is now home to our Learning Enrichment team who support pupils, and the English Department, who lose themselves in a literary world.

English

The English language is fantastically rich in its vocabulary. What descriptive language would you use to describe yourself when you leave Surbiton High School?

Circle three adjectives you aspire to?

Articulate	Brave	Collaborative	Challenged
Engaged	Energetic	Enthusiastic	Excited
Extroverted	Fulfilled	Imaginative	Impactful
Inspired	Introverted	Knowledgeable	Nervous
Poised	Powerful	Quiet	Shy



As you continue down the stairs out of Mary Bennett House, you will have a glimpse of some of the variety of books you can explore through reading and English Literature.

What new genres of books do you think you will relish at Surbiton High School?

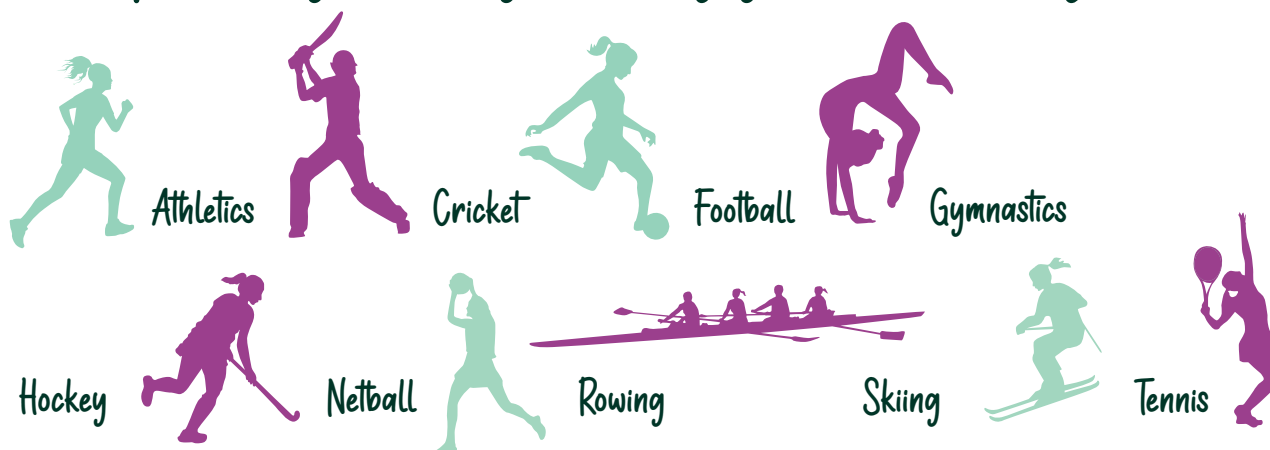
Action and Adventure	Biography	Classics	Drama	Fairy Tales and Folklore
Fantasy	History	Mystery	Plays	Poetry
Science Fiction	Short Stories	Translations	World Fiction	



Near our tennis court, you will pause to go on a journey to our 39-acre sites at Hinchley Wood and Oaken Lane. This is where the majority of our PE and Sport lessons take place.

Sport

What sports do you think you will enjoy at Surbiton High School?



Are there any other sports you would like to try?

What part would you like sport to play in your life, after Surbiton High School?

To be at the top of your game? To compete for your local club, your county or your country even? Or just to find some form of exercise you can enjoy for life? It's a very personal thing!



Well-being



Just past the tennis court is our Welfare Centre on the right-hand side. This is where our School Counsellor, Mentors and Nurse are based, who are all there to look after the well-being of our pupils.

There are lots of things you can do for your well-being to help you relax, such as reading, exercising, spending time with family and friends etc.

What do you like to do?

The Quad

You are now standing in the Quad. Usually, this is space for pupils to enjoy the outdoors during the day and it is also host to many events that take place throughout the school year.

From the events on the video that take place in the Quad, what do you think you'll enjoy taking part in?



Year 7 Play



Carols in the Quad



House Rowing



RAG Week



Poetry Slam



SCOPE Day

House and Charity

Our House system is an integral part of the Surbiton High School education and each Form belongs to one of our seven Houses, all named after influential women: Austen, Curie, Fonteyn, Nightingale, Pankhurst, Parks and Teresa. Throughout the year, there are lots of opportunities to earn House points and help raise funds for the charities we support.

What charities are close to your heart? What fundraising ideas have you got that you could bring to life at Surbiton High School?

Main Building

Our Main Building is where our future scientists, linguists, architects, artists, designers, actors, writers, mathematicians, classicists, coders, philosophers and historians discover their passion for their subjects.

Drama

Drama will allow you to develop your creative decision making, allowing you to select your own texts to study, direct your own pieces, build inner confidence and a positive awareness of yourself. Our Year 7 pupils have their own play and our annual musical takes place at the New Wimbledon Theatre!

What creative risk or challenge would you like to overcome through your Drama lessons?



Design & Technology

Participating in Design and Technology lessons actively contributes to developing your creativity and cultural awareness. You also gain greater appreciation of how design impacts on your own well-being as well as that of your community and even national well-being. Just think; in the future, you could be designing solutions to improve people's lives!

Which do you think is more important – aesthetics or ergonometics?



Sciences

Welcome to our Science Block, where we teach all three sciences separately (Biology, Physics, Chemistry). Science allows us to understand the natural world around us through an evidence-based methodology.

Humanity is facing a huge number of challenges that science could solve – from water shortages and climate change to pandemics and drug-resistant bacteria.

What would be the one challenge you would like to use science to solve in the future?



History, Philosophy & Religious Studies and Maths

Many of the classrooms in this part of the Main Building are used for History, Philosophy and Religious Studies and Maths.

Which of these three subjects do you think will have the biggest influence on your future?



The past -
through History



Your spiritual and moral beliefs and understanding -
through Philosophy & Religious Studies



The problem-solving skills
acquired through Maths

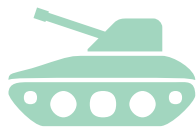
Languages

At Surbiton High School, you will study three Modern Foreign Languages in Year 7 (French, German and Spanish) as well as the classical language of Latin.

Where do you think a love of languages could take you in the future?



Banks and Insurance
Companies



Department
of Defence



Film
Industry



Foreign
Corporates



Health
Services



Immigration
Services



International
Embassies



International Non-
Profit Organisations



Local Council/
Government



Media
(Journalism)



Publishing
Companies



Social
Services



Teaching
Universities and
Colleges



Tourism and Travel Services
Industry, including
Airlines and Hotels



Translating/
Interpreting

Art Studio

Our expansive Art Studio is where our pupils create over 3,600 pieces of artwork annually! It's an inspiring place to work, with photographers honing their skills on Photoshop and traditional methods of developing film in our dark room; ceramicists utilising the pottery wheel and industrial-sized kiln and artists using an array of mediums to paint, draw and sketch. If you peak out of the window beyond the sculptures, you might even be able to glimpse the hundreds of chimneys at Hampton Court Palace.

What sort of artist will you be?



A painter



A sculptor



A textiles artist



A ceramicist



A photographer

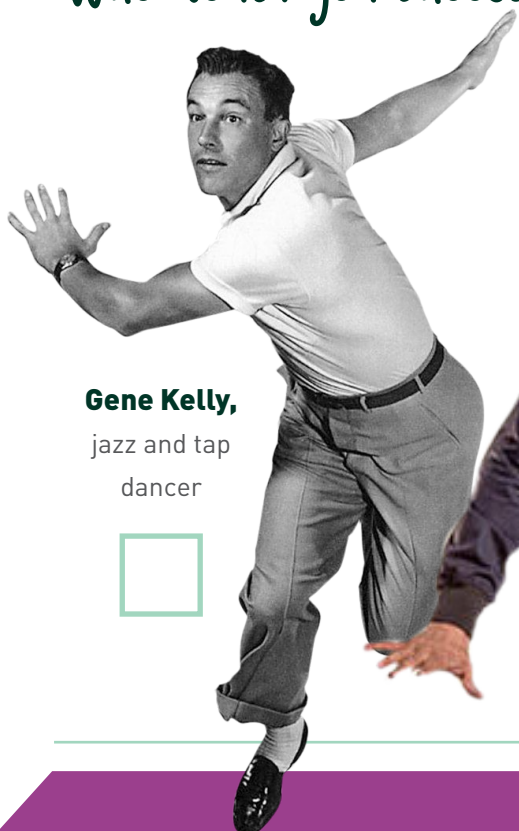


A printmaker

Dance Studio

You are now standing in our Dance Studio - this is where your creative flair can come to life. Dance is offered from Year 10 upwards and through co-curricular clubs for all year groups. Dance offers you the ability to express yourself, develop emotional intelligence and build self-confidence.

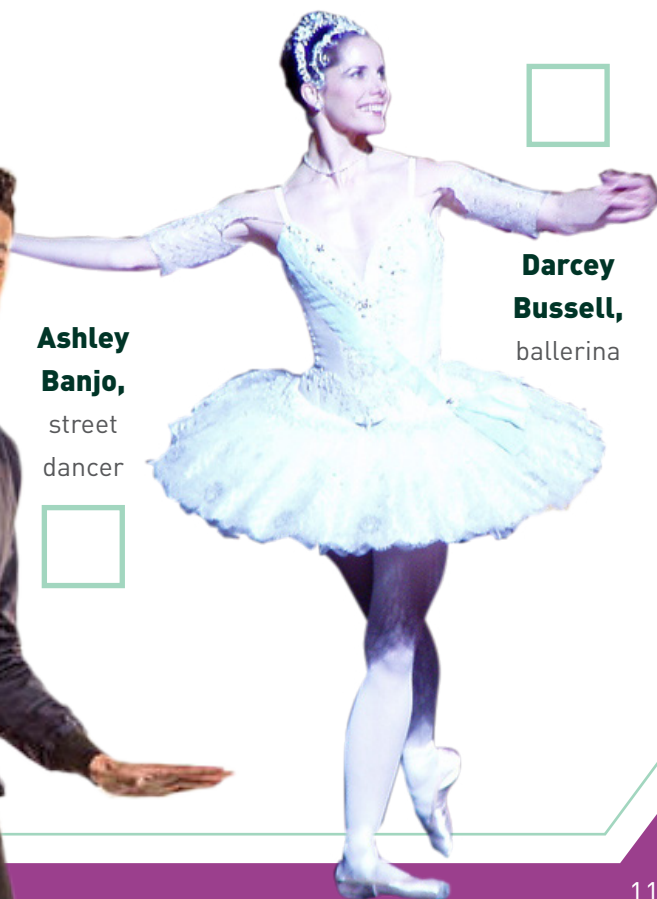
Who would you choose to dance with?



Gene Kelly,
jazz and tap
dancer



**Ashley
Banjo,**
street
dancer



**Darcey
Bussell,**
ballerina



During your time at Surbiton High School, we prepare you for life beyond the School, through regular practice of the 17 learning habits on the wheel below.

How many do you think you already use? Colour the ones you feel confident in.



ICT Suite

Technology has advanced at a rapid pace over the last 30 years - the internet, AI and robotics have all changed how we work and the careers available to us. Is the development of artificial intelligence a good thing and why?



How do you think technology and the internet will impact your future world?

Library

Our library is packed with over 14,000 books just waiting for you to discover them. But, maybe there's a book you would like to read about that has yet to be written?

If you were going to write a novel or non-fiction book, what would it be about?



The Green & Silver Club

The Green & Silver Club is the alumni network for Surbiton High School's former and current pupils, staff and parents. It connects everyone in our community together, providing an opportunity to share knowledge, experience and connections. If you are wondering about the duck - it's our school mascot!



Our alumni are engaged in a variety of careers and we are proud of all of them. Below are just a few of whom you may have heard of.

Perhaps you aspire to be...



A high-profile businesswoman like Joanne Ebdon, UK Financial Controller, Ernst Young



A singer like Mollie King from The Saturdays and a Radio 1 DJ



A politician like Baroness Nicky Morgan, who was a Member of Parliament and Secretary of State before joining the House of Lords



A sports person like Chemmy Alcott, an Olympic skier and TV presenter



A First Officer like Abigail Croft, pilot for a well-known airline



A media personality like Lara Lewington, a TV Presenter - BBC Click



A chef like Melissa Hemsley, author of 'Eat Green' and 'Eat Happy'



A data scientist like Edwina Dunn, an entrepreneur and consumer insight strategist

You have now finished our whistle-stop tour of Surbiton High School. We hope you have enjoyed seeing the School and discovering more about who you might become at Surbiton High School. We're not finished yet though! The next few activities will really get you thinking even more about who you really are!

Find the Words that Speak to you

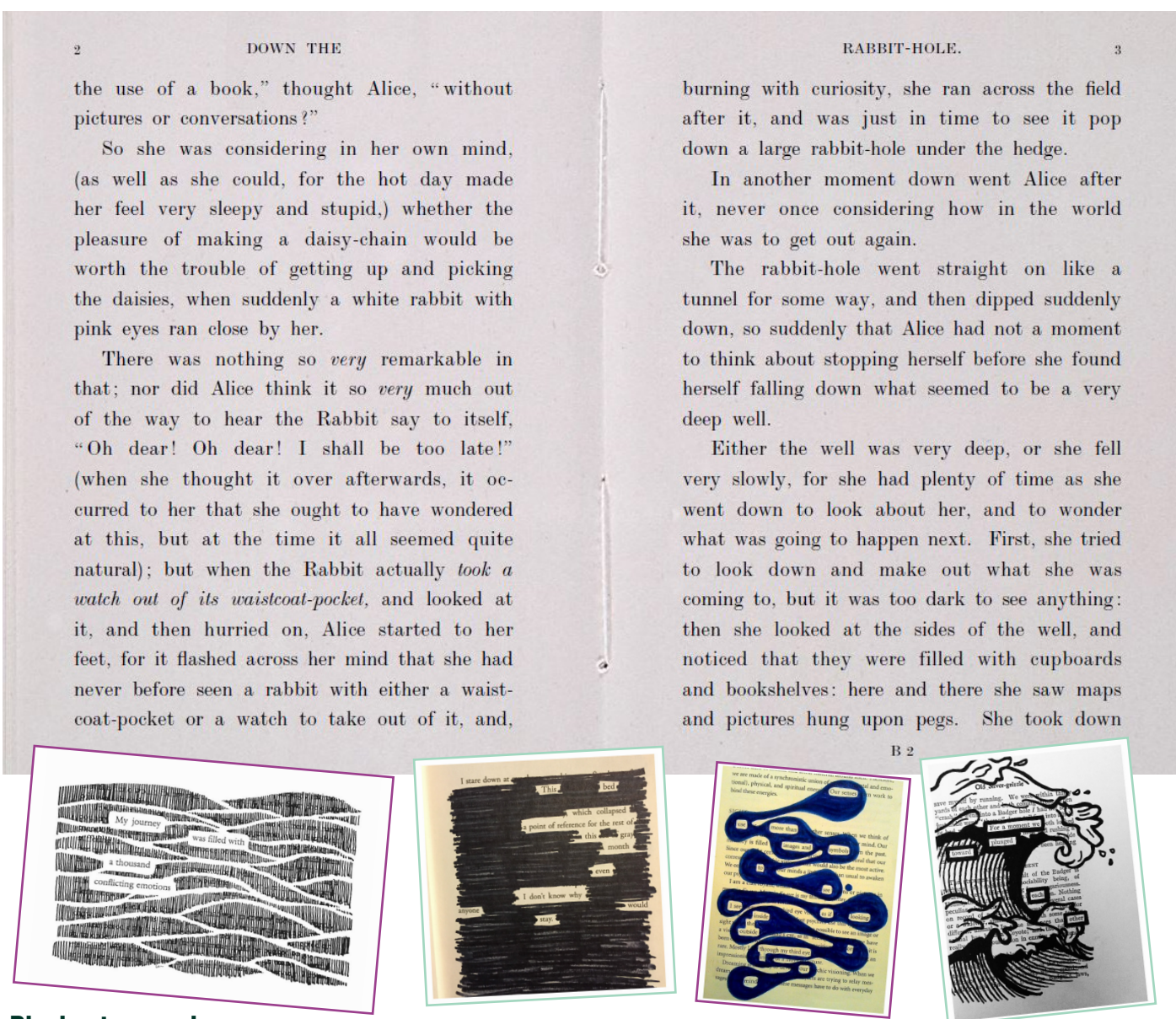
Have you ever read a book and found that some words 'speak' to you? They stand out and leap from the page, swirling around in your imagination. Noticing how literature affects us is all part of the joy of English and one way to do this is by creating blackout poetry.

Take a page of a story, any story. It need not be a novel. A play. A poem. Any piece of literature will do (we have included 'Alice in Wonderland' below if you want to use that). Read it through a couple of times. Stare at the words – a bit like you would for a 'magic eye' picture. Notice the words which 'speak' to you. Circle these. Then see if you can make any connections between the words. Are they on the same theme? Do they all create the same mood?

What happens if you add in some of the function words (the conjunctions and prepositions, for example) to join the words together? Play and have fun with it. There are no rules and there certainly is no 'right' or 'wrong' way to do this.

Once you have circled as many, or as few, words as you want, shade out all the rest so that all that's left are your words intermingled with the original author's. Notice the shape you have made and the meanings you have created. A piece of literature that's yours. You could even draw a picture through the words you don't want - like the samples below.

Have fun and we would love to see your creations if you would like to share them, by emailing entranceexam@surbitonhigh.com.



Blackout examples

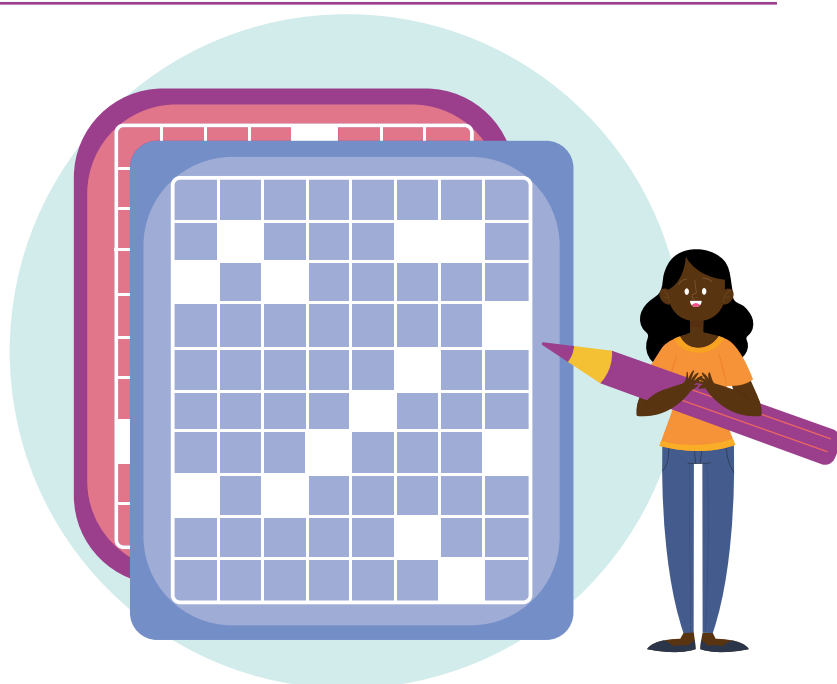
Word Search

Hidden in the word search below are many of the characteristics that our pupils at Surbiton High School develop throughout their time with us. There are **14** to find. How many you can spot?

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X	U	I	D	U	U	G	J	G	O	Q	Z	T	O	V	T	E	I	Y	E

Words:

Altruistic	Compassionate	Confident
Considerate	Creative	Curious
Determined	Empathetic	Empowering
Inquisitive	Intelligent	Literate
Resourceful	Respectful	



Anagram

As you watch the virtual tour of the School, you will find **19 individual letters** to note down below.

Once you have them all, unjumble the letters and see if you can work out the anagram and answer the question below.

Who will you be at Surbiton High School?

____ / _____ / _____ / _____
/ _____ / _____



Curriculum Overviews

Nothing can replace physically seeing a school in action and we hope to be able to open our doors to you soon. When you walk through the corridors at Surbiton High, the School is alive with engaging discussions where curious minds are engrossed in their learning. Our pupils are enthusiastic to learn, to reach their potential and to be the very best that they can be. We know that each child is unique and their path through the School is a different one from their friends.

Our aim is simple. We strive to provide an exceptional educational provision, epitomised by an absorbing curriculum with first-class teaching and learning, exceptional co-curricular opportunities and continuing encouragement, motivation and development of character.

It is only through being a pupil at the School, where you can experience the teaching and learning first-hand, that we can truly do justice to how we collaboratively strive for the best outcomes for each pupil. However, we hope that these curriculum overviews will provide insight into the holistic education provided at Surbiton High School and the path you may take through the School.

Art



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Classics



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Computing



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Design & Technology



SCAN ME

Drama



SCAN ME

English



SCAN ME

Geography



SCAN ME

History



SCAN ME





Mathematics



SCAN ME

Modern Foreign Languages



SCAN ME

Music



SCAN ME

Philosophy & Religious Studies



SCAN ME

Science



SCAN ME

Sport



SCAN ME

Co-curricular



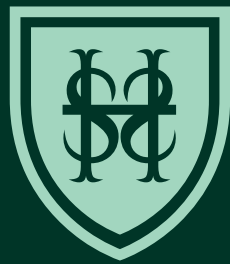
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