

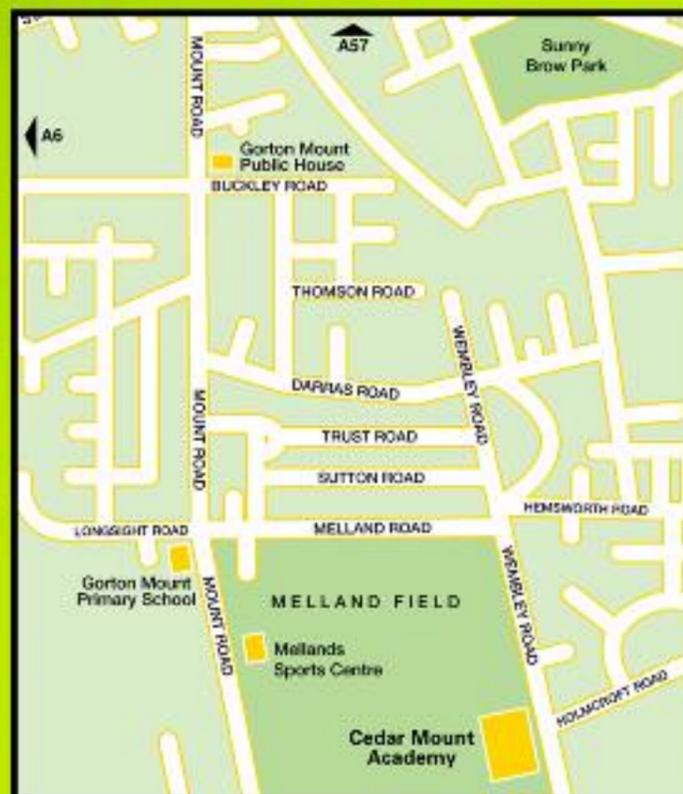
Prospectus

2014 - 2015



Growing Success and Achievement

How to find us...



Buses

The local bus services to Cedar Mount are: **168, 169 and 171**. For information on these routes visit www.tfgm.com

There is also a yellow bus service Y76 that runs once a day to and from school. For information on this service visit www.tfgm.com/buses/yellowschoolbus/index.cfm



Cedar Mount Academy

Gorton Education Village | 50 Wembley Road
Gorton | Manchester | M18 7DT

T: 0161 248 7009

F: 0161 231 1831

E: office@cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk

Principal: Mr P. Rice, BA Hons

Cedar Mount Academy is part of the **Bright Futures Educational Trust**

www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk





A Bright Future for every young person

Welcome to Cedar Mount Academy, part of Bright Futures Educational Trust. Bright Futures gives young people at its schools exciting educational and extra curricular opportunities that help every student to be the best that they can be.

Everything we do at Cedar Mount Academy is about offering the best educational opportunities that give our students real choices as they move on to higher education, employment and beyond.

Cedar Mount Academy was one of the first schools to join Bright Futures, and is already working with the Trust to help every student and member of staff to succeed. Outstanding teachers from Altrincham Grammar School for Girls, the Trust's lead school, have been seconded to Cedar Mount Academy to boost achievement in mathematics. The academy has also employed outstanding new teachers who are already delivering some of the academy's strongest exam results to date.

Cedar Mount Academy is a place where teachers love teaching and students love learning – ensuring a quality education for everyone.

Dame Dana Ross-Wawrzynski DBE
CEO, Bright Futures Educational Trust



Enrolling now for September 2015

We are committed to ensuring your child excels through:

- Outstanding teaching and learning
- State of the art facilities
- Superior pastoral care
- An extensive extra curricular program

Experience for yourself what we have to offer.

T: 0161-248-7009 E: office@cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk



Giving young people the quality of education that they deserve

www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk



Next steps



Arrange a visit

We would very much welcome the opportunity to show you around our academy. To arrange a one-to-one visit for you and your child, contact us or call in at reception to make an appointment.

Alternatively, visit our website to find out when we will be holding our next Open Evening for prospective students and their parents.



Apply

All Year 7 admissions to secondary schools in Manchester are overseen and managed centrally by the Local Authority (LA). You may apply for a place for your child at any Manchester school.

All parents/carers will be asked to make their application on a standard form known as the Standard Application Form (SAF), which is available from the Manchester City Council. An admission pack, including the SAF and a booklet called 'Secondary School Admissions' will be sent to you. Copies of the admissions booklet will be available on the Manchester City Council's website.

Parents/carers will also be able to make their application online.

For full details, visit our website:
www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk/our-school/admissions.html

www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk

Welcome from the Principal



A very warm welcome to Cedar Mount Academy, part of the Bright Futures Educational Trust. The Trust is a unique and exciting educational concept linking two primary academies, four secondary schools and one sixth form college.

Cedar Mount Academy and our Trust partners are committed to securing a world class education to enable every young person to realise their full potential and, in particular, their full academic potential

Cedar Mount Academy insists on the very highest of standards. We strive to ensure that all our students are both happy and successful. We have high expectations for all our young people and we are committed to providing an excellent educational opportunity that transforms individual potential into the highest academic achievement. At the same time, we aim to ensure that no child is left behind.

Through outstanding teaching, high quality facilities, plentiful resources and an outstanding student welfare system we

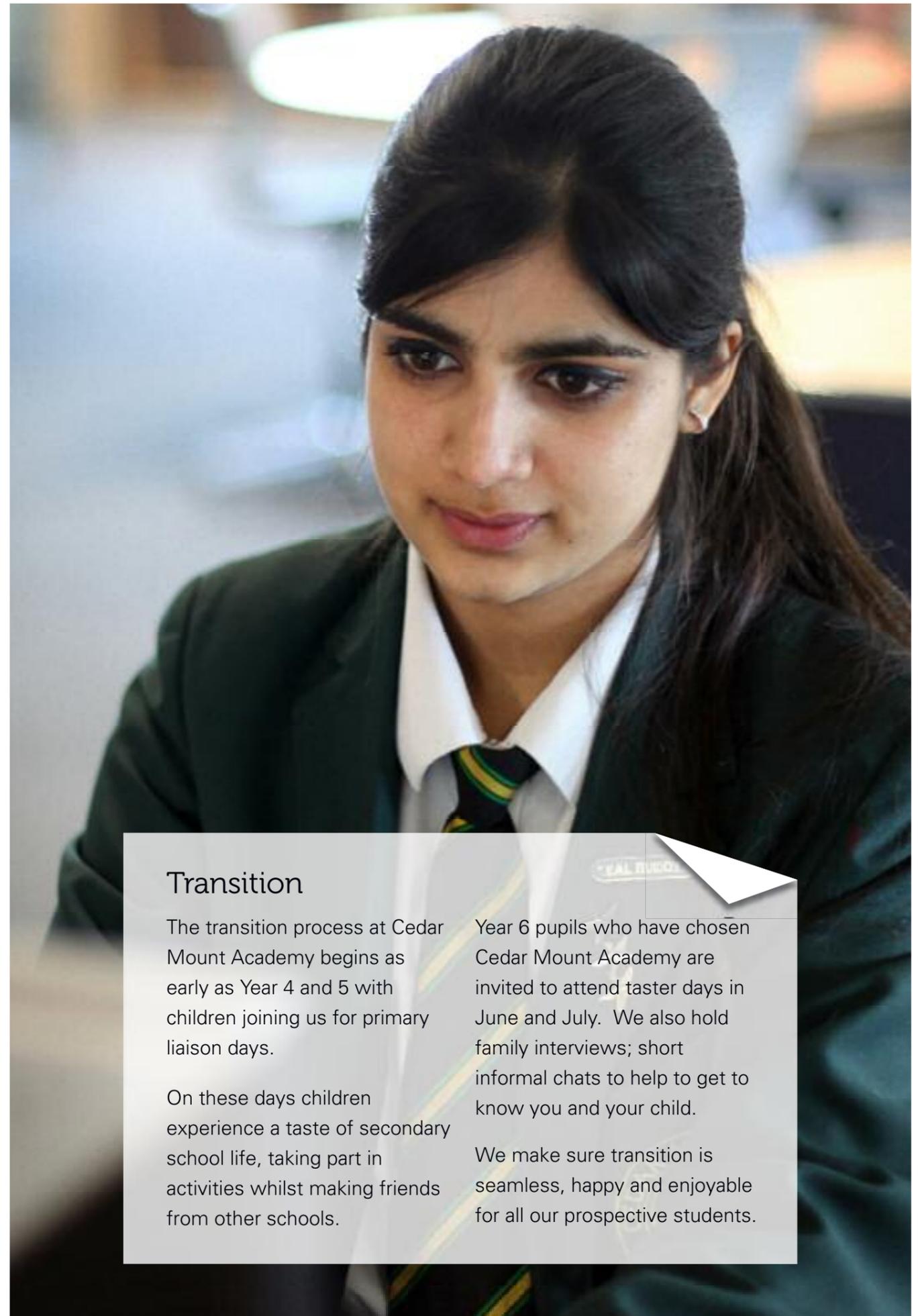
endeavour to foster an atmosphere in which students can excel. We are a fully inclusive, diverse academy which values and celebrates all faiths and cultures. All the staff at Cedar Mount Academy are committed to ensuring that your son/daughter has the best possible education. We are all passionate about providing a high quality experience in the classroom and opportunities for all students to develop their talents and skills through our extensive extracurricular program.

The best way to really see what a modern, exciting academy we are; is to come and visit us. We welcome prospective students, parents and carers at any time in the school year, all you need to do is call us to arrange a convenient time.

We look forward to meeting you in the near future.

Mr P. Rice
Principal

www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk



Transition

The transition process at Cedar Mount Academy begins as early as Year 4 and 5 with children joining us for primary liaison days.

On these days children experience a taste of secondary school life, taking part in activities whilst making friends from other schools.

Year 6 pupils who have chosen Cedar Mount Academy are invited to attend taster days in June and July. We also hold family interviews; short informal chats to help to get to know you and your child.

We make sure transition is seamless, happy and enjoyable for all our prospective students.

Student support



Cedar Mount is an inclusive academy; we are committed to providing a high level of support for all students.

Every student is part of a year group and each year is attached to a 'House'. Their year and house is their family, something they can believe in, work hard for and be proud of.

The five houses are Marie Curie (Year 7), Rossetti (Year 8), Aristotle (Year 9), Galileo (Year 10) and Da Vinci (Year 11); named after great philosophers, inventors, writers and revolutionists. We encourage students to think outside of the box, be creative, be different and achieve just as their patrons did.

All students have a personalised form tutor who builds positive relationships with their students and has the holistic understanding of each student, their specific targets and their individual circumstances.

Each year has a dedicated Head of Year and Assistant Head of Year who are responsible for monitoring students, with a clear focus on their welfare. Their key responsibilities are to lead and support form tutors and work alongside subject leaders to ensure students are making progress.

Students also have access to our safeguarding officer, nurse, counselling service and educational psychologists; providing that crucial wraparound support if necessary.

Our considered actions create an ethos of **RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY** and **PRIDE** in everything we do. We believe all our members deserve the right to feel safe, to learn, to teach and be respected for who they are.

Cedar Mount's vision and mission



At Cedar Mount Academy, our motto is 'Growing Success and Achievement' – this means that everything we do is focused on ensuring your child has every chance to achieve their full potential. At whatever stage of development your child joins us, they will have every opportunity to become a successful, well rounded and confident young person and no child will be left behind.

The secret of our success in helping our students to develop is the sense of community that everyone feels within Cedar Mount. Everyone is made to feel welcome – students, parents and staff are all equally part of this community, and we work together to share and uphold the same high values and standards.

We only want the absolute best for our students and, in order for them to achieve success and excellence, we have clear aims that inform everything we do:

- To be inclusive to all and provide all students with a safe and happy learning environment, where all cultures and backgrounds are respected and understood
- To recognise that going to a secondary academy is a big step and to put measures in place to ensure a smooth transition between leaving primary school and joining Cedar Mount Academy
- To encourage our students to acquire the knowledge, skills and experience to enable them to achieve their full potential
- To find, encourage and nurture each student's ambition and talent by developing a learning programme that is geared around their individual needs
- To offer the best possible learning environment, facilities and technologies
- To provide the best staff and extensive support to make learning effective and enjoyable



Why choose Cedar Mount?



The best learning opportunities

Learning at Cedar Mount:

- Allows students to reach their potential and excel in their academic studies
- Promotes their spiritual, moral, cultural, social, mental and physical development
- Prepares them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life
- Is appropriate to the needs of all students
- Encourages all students to develop lively and enquiring minds
- Enables all students to gain knowledge, skills and experience relevant to the world of work and life outside school
- Encourages students to respect other people
- Provides students with ambition and encourages them to appreciate achievement, give them aspiration and foster in them the desire to succeed.

A dynamic learning environment

Gorton Education Village is a truly unique place to learn and has excellent facilities including:

- 400 seat theatre
- 500 computers
- FIFA 2 star all weather playing field
- Hydrotherapy pool
- 4 court sports hall with sprung floor
- Multi-gym
- Dance studio
- Performing arts studio
- Wireless facilities
- Recording studio with mixing desk

The building design itself was developed with children's wellbeing at the forefront of its vision. In June 2009 the building was awarded "Best Healthy Learning Environment" at the national school design awards.

We are advanced in IT and new interactive mobile technologies. Technology is everywhere in the school – every classroom is interactive.

Excel in a fantastic 21st century super learning environment

www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk

What's different about Cedar Mount Academy?



- Cedar Mount Academy is part of the Bright Futures Educational Trust. the school day which will prepare all students for the shared responsibility of citizenship in modern Britain - it is important that children enjoy their school experience.
 - An unrelenting focus on providing a high quality education for all.
 - We are based in the £27 million, highly equipped, Gorton Education Village, giving us the platform and facilities to provide the finest possible education for our students.
 - We offer a range of teaching styles, including those which encourage confidence, motivation, success and a sense of personal worth by drawing on students' own personal experience.
 - We are a mixed, multi-cultural and multi-faith academy, and we are very proud of our diversity, where students learn in harmony.
 - We offer a fantastic after school programme of creative and sport related activities providing opportunities beyond
- We are a small 900 place school making it a safe and happy environment where all students can achieve their full potential with lots of support from our superb staff.
 - Our students learning experience is tailored to their abilities and needs.
- What your child will learn at school is known as the 'curriculum'. We aim to provide a balanced and broadly based curriculum for all our young people.
- Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 study the Key Stage 3 curriculum, whilst older students study the Key Stage 4 curriculum in Years 10 and 11.

Cedar Mount is a mixed, multi-cultural, multi-faith academy

www.cedarmount.manchester.sch.uk

Curriculum



Cedar Mount Academy provides an innovative, forward thinking programme of study that enables all students to succeed, achieve and, in turn, realise their full potential.

Key Stage 3

The Key Stage 3 curriculum builds on students' achievements in Year 6 to develop the breadth and depth of their knowledge, skills and understanding.

The focus within the Key Stage 3 curriculum is; reinforcing learning skills, establishing and maintaining high expectations, developing students' enthusiasm for learning, raising the level of challenge and developing self-motivation by providing them with a wide range of learning opportunities including social, moral, spiritual and cultural enrichments.

Key Stage 4

As students move into Year 10, we build on their previous progress and develop a range of opportunities that will benefit them, taking into account their individual needs at Key Stage 4.

A range of GCSE and BTEC qualifications is offered to students to select from. We guide students to choose options which will best enhance their post 16 future. The Key Stage 4 curriculum ensures the best possible foundation for students to go onto college, apprenticeships and/or work placements, thereby supporting them in gaining a range of academic and vocational qualifications at GCSE or equivalent grade A*-G.

An innovative, forward thinking programme of study

Uniform

Uniform gives a sense of 'belonging' and by dressing correctly students can show pride in their school. Students are required to wear uniform at all times.

All students must wear the uniform listed below.

Compulsory Uniform:

- Green blazer
- White collar shirt (not polo shirt)
- Clip House tie
- Black tailored trousers or skirt
- Black shoes (no trainers)
- Black socks or tights

Optional Uniform:

- Green V-neck jumper

Compulsory PE Kit:

- Black polo shirt with white piping
- Black shorts with white piping
- Suitable trainers

Optional PE Kit:

- Track pants
- Fleece
- Skirt
- Tracksuit

Uniform is available all year round from Student Services.



The School Day

8:55am - 9:55am	Lesson 1
9:55am - 10:55am	Lesson 2
10:55am - 11:10am	Break
11:10am - 12:10pm	Lesson 3
12:10am - 1:10pm	Lesson 4
1:10pm - 1:35pm	KS3 Lunch/KS4 Tutor
1:35pm - 2:00pm	KS4 Tutor/KS3 Lunch
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Lesson 5