



# LONGHILL

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HIGH SCHOOL



# Vision

Proud to be a community school, Longhill prepares young people for life. We support our students to grow into resilient, responsible, compassionate and ambitious individuals, equipped with the skills to achieve their dreams whilst with us, post-16 and well into their adulthood.

We see the whole person here at Longhill. Your academic achievement and your personal wellbeing are equally crucial to us. We want the best for each and every one of the children, families and staff that come through our doors and have a strong culture of support, challenge and care. Longhill is a truly comprehensive school, with a dynamic and committed staff that are united in their determination to make it a great school in which all our present and future students and staff can fulfil their potential.

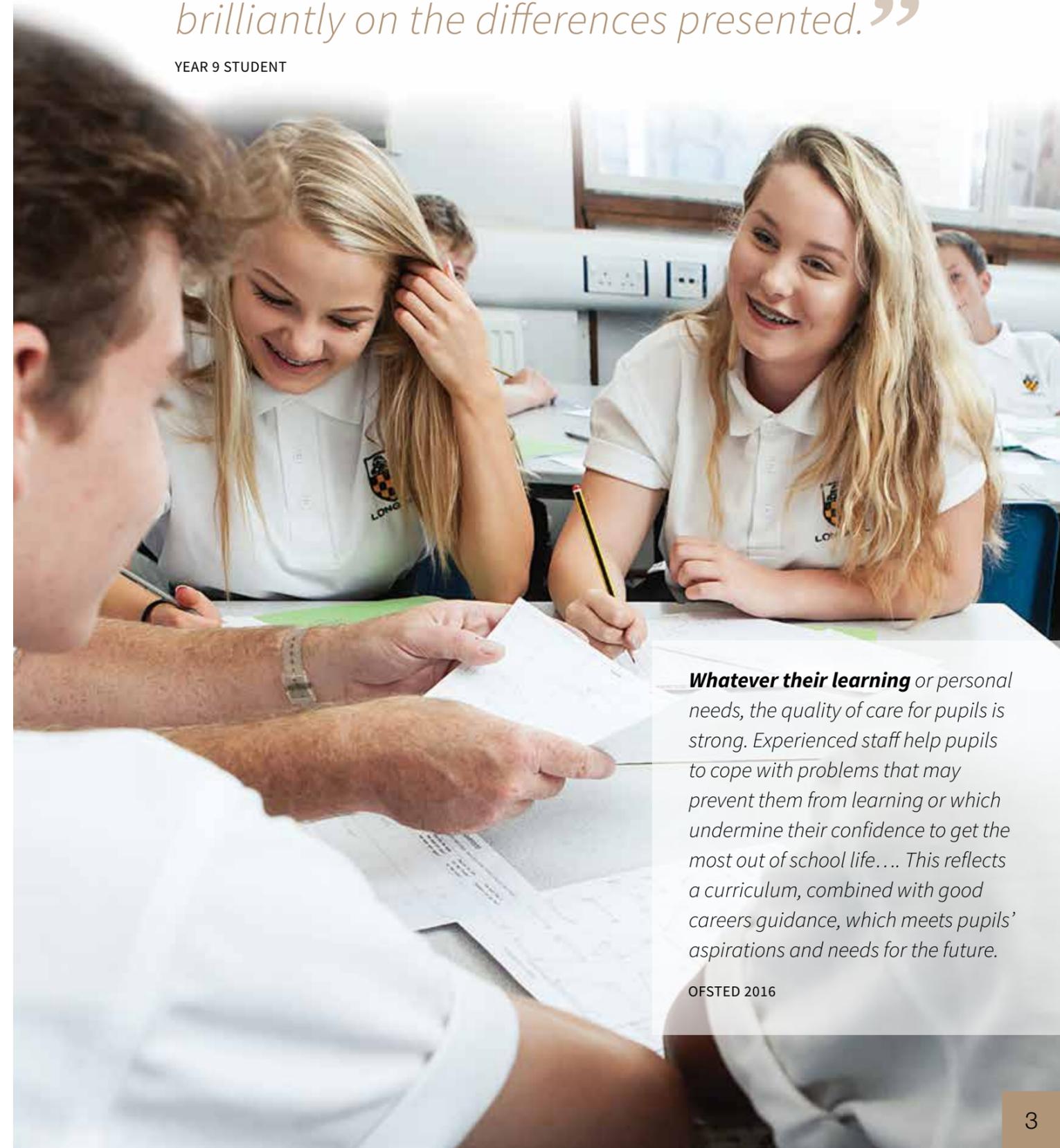


“From the moment I walked into Longhill I knew it was **an inspirational place** and my view hasn't changed in twenty years!”

MEMBER OF STAFF

“Longhill High School is a fusion of different **communities and cultures**, thriving brilliantly on the differences presented.”

YEAR 9 STUDENT



**Whatever their learning** or personal needs, the quality of care for pupils is strong. Experienced staff help pupils to cope with problems that may prevent them from learning or which undermine their confidence to get the most out of school life.... This reflects a curriculum, combined with good careers guidance, which meets pupils' aspirations and needs for the future.

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# Learning

We have some truly outstanding facilities that inspire and enthuse our learners. One thing we can promise you - we won't ever let you be satisfied with doing 'just enough'. Learning is our core business.

Our staff are united in inspiring our young people to continually better themselves and to reach for academic, creative, and sporting achievements. This is coupled with a supportive ethos to ensure every young person is included. We recognise that all young people are unique and will face differing challenges and successes. Our committed staff will be with you on your journey and help you every step of the way.

Parents say "At Longhill I do feel like they really care, as any little problems or queries I've had have always been dealt with efficiently by kind, caring and committed members of staff. All the staff from office staff to teachers, heads of years to the head teacher are very approachable and will always listen."



*"I never thought I'd say this, but **I was excited** to come back to school after the holidays. I'm really enjoying it!"*

YEAR 8 STUDENT

*"Every child has the potential for **greatness**, I hope to be part of the journey."*

MEMBER OF STAFF



*There is much expertise within the teaching staff which generates enthusiasm for learning in many pupils.*

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# Achievement

...comes in many forms. Longhill students have starred in West End theatre productions, led on STEM and computer coding careers for girls, developed commercially-available smart phone apps, competed nationally in sports, danced at Wembley Stadium, sung at the O2 Arena, raised astonishing amounts for charity, and achieved Oxbridge entry. As a school we have a range of subjects with a long tradition of achievement above the national average.

**Strong assessment procedures** mean that students feel confident that they know what to do to improve their work. Almost all pupils proceed into further education, employment or training – a higher proportion than seen nationally.

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“ Thank you for being **everything** I needed at the moment I needed it most. ”

YEAR 10 STUDENT



**I can honestly say** that if parents and teachers work together, then students really can exceed their expectations. Our son loved his time at Longhill and I cannot praise you enough for the support you have given us as a family.

PARENT

# Enrichment

School is about so much more than 'book-based learning'. Our students get the chance to develop their personal interests and hobbies, as well as expand their horizons and take an interest in the wider world. Examples of recent opportunities include:-representing the school at sport, developing artistic skills with the University and local artists; outward bounds activities with the CCF, work experience, local and international travel, courses at local universities and much much more.

*Longhill is a great school which has amazing facilities and is well looked after. My son is progressing well even though he is definitely not naturally academic and more sporty (which is lucky as Longhill has given him so many opportunities to take part in various different sporting events throughout his time there)*

PARENT



“Some of the most **vivid memories** of school life are trips, clubs, being part of a team or production.”

MEMBER OF STAFF

*Pupils greatly appreciate the rich and varied extra-curricular activities... Outcomes in sports were particularly exciting this year with a Year 11 boys' football team reaching the quarter finals of the National Schools Cup competition.*

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# Community

Longhill is outward looking with strong links across the local area. We have a long tradition of embracing the diversity of the Brighton community and recognise that whilst we are all unique, together we can achieve wonderful things.

We have a mutually beneficial relationship with both Brighton and Sussex universities; our students engage in widening participation events and special short courses; we are delighted to host trainee teachers who are honing their craft. In addition, several of our teachers lecture for students at the University, at the cutting edge of teacher education. Longhill is proud to be integral to the vibrant Brighton and Hove Secondary School Partnership, where co-operation and collaboration enriches the practice of all. We have a passion to forge ever-closer links with our local primary schools. Our primary to secondary transition process is often described as 'exemplary'.

We have commissioned learning and enrichment programmes in collaboration with Brighton & Hove Albion in the Community. These initiatives have benefitted students at all ability levels. Our own Longhill Sports Centre, with its fantastic resources, runs many high quality evening, weekend and holiday activities to benefit our local community.



*Longhill students are compassionate and eager to help those in need, be it within our school or the local community. Their generosity and warmth towards those in need is inspiring and humbling and I am always so proud to work with them.*

STAFF MEMBER

*“It’s teamwork here between the school and families, it’s got to be a partnership.”*

PARENT

*Pupils are generous in raising funds for charities, most of which are within the local community, for example the Clock Tower Sanctuary which delivers water bottles for the homeless.*

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*Longhill is a  
**spectacular vehicle**  
for any student to be  
guided, to remain  
driven, to mature and  
**make the best** of  
who they are*

YEAR 9 STUDENT