

# PAISLEY HOUSE

## BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

**15 ANNANDALE RD, KUILS RIVER**

# Ethos

At **PAISLEY HOUSE** we aim to be outstanding. The aims and ethos of the school underpin everything that we do. This includes the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of children as well as their development as successful students. We are particularly keen to develop students' understanding of the environment. All students learn to grow food in our own garden and to understand sustainability.

At **PAISLEY HOUSE** we are committed to providing an education where:

- Your child will develop an appreciation for their place and responsibilities within our local community.
- The diversity of our student body is drawn upon as a strength, and your child will be proud of their culture and heritage wherever they are from.
- Your child will become a mindful thinker with a respect for the natural world.
- Your child will find happiness and mental wellbeing in our caring school environment.
- Your child will experience and learn a sense of respect, caring and consideration.
- We focus on the individuality of every child and support our students to develop a love of learning and achieve to the best of their ability.
- Your child will be listened to and their opinion valued.
- Our curriculum is diverse.
- Your child will build confidence, resilience and the skills needed to become adaptable to an ever-changing world.
- We will work in partnership with parents and communicate openly about your child and their learning.

## We encourage children to:

- speak **confidently**, discuss, **initiate**, **question** and **explore**
- be **independent**
- be **self-motivated** and develop a **passion for learning**
- be **open minded** and **sensitive to the feelings of others**
- **participate** in sports activities within and outside the curriculum

# Values

Our six **PAISLEY HOUSE** values are actively promoted, taught and embedded throughout the school within all aspects of learning and school life.

The Values are as follows:

## Community

The importance of the school as a community whilst looking outwards into our local and global community to make links, foster understanding and provide a wider view.

## Resilience

Teaching the skills to enable children to persevere and develop tenacity in life and learning.

## Aspiration

Having goals and learning how to stay motivated and achieve them.

## Diversity

Celebrating the diversity of faiths, languages and cultures within our school as well as locally and globally.

## Happiness

Promoting good mental health and well-being as key to life and learning.

## Curiosity

Encouraging the importance of acquiring new knowledge, questioning and expressing opinions.

# Vision Statement

Growth of young minds is a key principle at **PAISLEY HOUSE**, nurturing students to enable them to flourish into ambitious and creative young people with a firm foundation of knowledge and skills and who are well-prepared for their next educational step.

Our progressive curriculum is underpinned by our six key values of community, resilience, aspiration, diversity, happiness and curiosity. By working together and building strong positive partnerships with parents and the wider community, we strive to develop well-rounded and responsible citizens with a distinct awareness of society both locally and globally.

Through the element of enquiry, students will acquire knowledge and skills that are relevant and appropriate, linking with real world experiences and creating an enjoyment of learning, an appetite to know more and an inherent capacity to learn for a successful and fulfilling life.



# Why Choose Us ?

We foster a supportive, unpressurised learning environment in which students feel happy and cared for.

We have and continue to develop a truly interactional ethos where all students, their cultures and languages are valued.

We have developed and continue to improve on our own creative curriculum which is led by our core values and rights-based approach. We used the Cambridge International Curriculum as guide and infused it with many top curricula, offering our students the widest set of academic opportunities.

We offer our pupils the Early Years and Key Stage 1 education and will build on that until we have a full school education (EYFS, Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2, Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4) from 3 until 18 years old to help them fulfil their full potential in society.

We enhance a unique atmosphere by embracing open dialogue between every student and teacher. We encourage a free and respectful exchange of opinions and ideas.

Students develop resilience and skills that enable them to welcome and make friends quickly, skills that will prove valuable throughout their lives.

Our small class sizes (maximum 12) mean that we can give more attention to each child and identify the needs of each student quickly and with care. The adaptability of our classes and the mixing of ages and levels mean that children have the opportunity to broaden their friendships even further.

We have a well-planned play area and make full use of the open space with the curriculum being taken into the open. We can walk out of the class door and the lesson begins.

We also have an operating sustainable garden which is tended to by our students (and staff). The benefits exploring nature are huge – from

increased mental and physical health, team building, confidence building and more.

## AFTER CARE

( 14 : 00 - 17 : 30 Daily )

**PAISLEY HOUSE** aftercare is specifically designed for the working parent. We want to ensure that you have peace of mind knowing that your child is well taken care of while you are at work. Aftercare students are cared for in safe and secure surroundings, in a supportive environment where the emphasis is placed on fun and playing. It is available every weekday. Should a parent not be able to stick to the arranged times, specific arrangements will have to be made with the school.

Our aftercare is available every weekday, focusing on fun-filled activities that promote social, cognitive, and motor skills development through painting, play dough, puzzles, dress-up, and more.

## More Information





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