



Oasis Academy South Bank **Prospectus**



A message from our CEO

Principals' Welcome

A very warm welcome to Oasis Community Learning!

I am delighted that you and your family are interested in becoming part of Oasis Academy South Bank.

Oasis Community Learning was established as a Multi-Academy Trust in 2004 with the vision to create "Exceptional Education at the Heart of the Community".

We now run academies in four main regions throughout the UK, providing either Primary, Secondary or All-through education.

All of our academies are committed to providing a rich educational experience and ensuring that every child and young person has the opportunity to achieve at the highest level.

Our ethos is integral to that provision. It is an expression of our character, a statement of who we are and therefore the lens through which we assess all we do. We are committed to a model of inclusion, equality, healthy relationships, hope and perseverance throughout all aspects of the life and culture of each academy community.

We passionately embrace learning and are committed to every child within our care reaching their full potential, developing holistically across every area of their lives both now and in their future.

All of this is underpinned by our philosophy of education which highlights our focus on inspirational leadership, deep learning and healthy communities. It aspires to develop the character and competence of every child within every community of which we are a part.

At Oasis Community Learning therefore, we believe we are all 'the architects of our students' lives' and as such we are committed to laying the right foundations for every one of our young people.

So we look forward to your family potentially becoming part of Oasis, in the knowledge that we will work in partnership with you to ensure your children become confident learners ready to fulfill their aspirations in life.

Best wishes,



Alexander Lewis

Co-Principal



John Murphy

Chief Executive Officer,
Oasis Community Learning



Anna Richardson

Co-Principal

We are extremely proud to welcome you to Oasis Academy South Bank, an Outstanding 11-18 academy in the heart of the Waterloo community.

All students are welcome with us, regardless of starting point, need or complexity. We embrace diversity, are totally inclusive and believe that all students here will 'Climb the STAIRS to Greatness' and reach our two end goals of getting their dream job and becoming a model citizen.

Our students are happy, motivated and kind and we want our alumni to be highly desired and sought after by world-leading organisations but always remain humble, giving back to our local community.

The foundations of our academy rest on excellent teaching and staff have the highest possible expectations of all our students. There are no excuses and no limits to what they can achieve if we all: students, staff and families work together.



“ We strive to ensure our academic achievements are amongst the best in the country. ”

About Us

Oasis Academy South Bank opened in September 2013. There are 600 students in total between Year 7 and Year 11. We have 120 places available in our Sixth Form. We serve our local community and were awarded Outstanding in all areas by Ofsted.

Our Values

'Climb the **STAIRS** to Greatness'

Our **STAIRS** values underpin all that we do:

S - Scholarship - We focus relentlessly on securing outstanding academic qualifications and developing a love of learning in all our students.

T - Transformation - We believe that everyone can change for the better and everyone has the power to change and influence others for the better.

A - Aspiration - We know if you aim high and believe in yourself then you can become anyone or do anything.

I - Inclusion - We do not select based on ability or faith. We include all aspects of a child's development. We believe we are one family: we never make anyone feel isolated or alone.

R - Resilience - We understand that 'greatness' does not come without huge amounts of hard work, perseverance, determination and effort and we must never give up.

S - Social Responsibility - We care for our community and help others whenever we can.



Our Vision

Our vision is to make sure every young person has the opportunity to progress into employment, to have a career with prospects. We aim for every student to develop strong values and characteristics that ensure they have happy and fulfilled lives.

We hope to form lasting partnerships with local businesses and employers. By joining these communities together, we aim to raise the opportunities and aspirations for our young people.

Curriculum

Oasis Academy South Bank believes all young people can become successfully employed in a career with prospects. Oasis Academy South Bank believes all aspects of a child's development are crucial to their success. Our curriculum offer is made up of three core areas:

1. Traditional Academic Core Curriculum
2. Enrichment Curriculum
3. South Bank 6 Entitlement

Oasis Academy South Bank is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. Our safeguarding policy is available on our website.





1. Traditional Academic Core Curriculum

8.00am - 2.30pm

Oasis Academy South Bank offers a traditional core academic curriculum in addition to a rich and varied enrichment curriculum. From Year 7 the following subjects will be compulsory and taught in line with the National Curriculum: English, Maths, Science, a Modern Foreign Language, History, Geography and Religious Education.

We have a key focus on literacy at both Key Stage 3 and 4. The Academy day begins at 8.00am with an hour of DEAR (Drop Everything and Read), which is designed to foster a love and enjoyment of reading. This hour is spent in their House Groups, where they have the opportunity to build relationships with both peers and their House Coaches.

At Key Stage 4, the following will be compulsory subjects: English, English Literature, Maths, Double or Triple Science, a Modern Foreign Language, History or Geography and one or two further option choices. Our option subjects at Key Stage 4 include: Music, Drama, Engineering, Art and Food Technology.

We ensure there is a rigorous focus on literacy and numeracy so that all children exceed national expectations. Additionally we ensure there is a rigorous focus on regular, meaningful assessments in all subject areas so students and parents are consistently aware of student progress and how to move forward.

2. Innovative Enrichment Curriculum

2.30pm - 4.00/4.30pm

We offer a unique, innovative and creative enrichment programme that ensures the development of the whole child. Our curriculum includes weekly sports sessions. For example football, netball, rugby or athletics. It also entails one afternoon of an enrichment elective, for example; Musical Theatre, Dance, Catering and Hospitality, Farming, Emergency Medical Care or Website and Software design. On one afternoon, students partake in careers projects developing employability and offering careers education in a variety of sectors, for example; technology, engineering, architecture, medicine, media, civil service, journalism and professional services.

3. South Bank 6 – An entitlement for all Oasis Academy South Bank Students

1. Visit a Russell Group University every year.
2. Regularly visit a range of organisations, companies or charities on the South Bank.
3. Experience an annual residential trip.
4. Regular cultural experience (visits to museums, art galleries, theatres, concerts).
5. Be given the opportunity during curriculum time to develop and discover talents in; sport music, art, dance, drama, cooking and technology.
6. Have sustained a volunteering programme either with Oasis Academy Johanna or another element of the Oasis Hub Waterloo.

Oasis Hub Waterloo

Oasis Academy South Bank is proud to be part of the wider Oasis Hub Waterloo which already delivers an extensive range of children's, youth and family services in the local community. The following 'wraparound' community services will be offered to families at Oasis Academy South Bank:

- Community Hub coffee shop
- Debt Advice Service including housing and benefits advice
- "Hullabaloo" toddler group
- Church offering pastoral care
- Waterloo Foodbank
- Youth Work, 1-2-1, and small group work therapy

Admissions Criteria

The PAN (Published Admission Number) for Oasis Academy South Bank is 120 Year 7 students.

A copy of the admissions policy is available on request or to download from our website. In the event of the Academy being oversubscribed, the following oversubscription criteria will apply:

1. Looked after Children or Previously Looked after Children as defined in section 22 (1) of the Children Act 1989.
2. Siblings – we will prioritise twins or children from other multiple births under the sibling criteria and would increase our published PAN to accommodate this need.
3. Children with exceptional medical or social needs as defined by a suitably qualified and experienced panel convened to consider such cases. Evidence in the form of a doctor or social worker's letter will be required.
4. Distance – as measured by a straight line between the child's home and the permanent site of the school. This measurement will be done by a computerised mapping system, from a point in the child's home as identified by the software to a point at the school as profiled in the software. The child's home address will be considered to be where the child spends the majority of the school week.

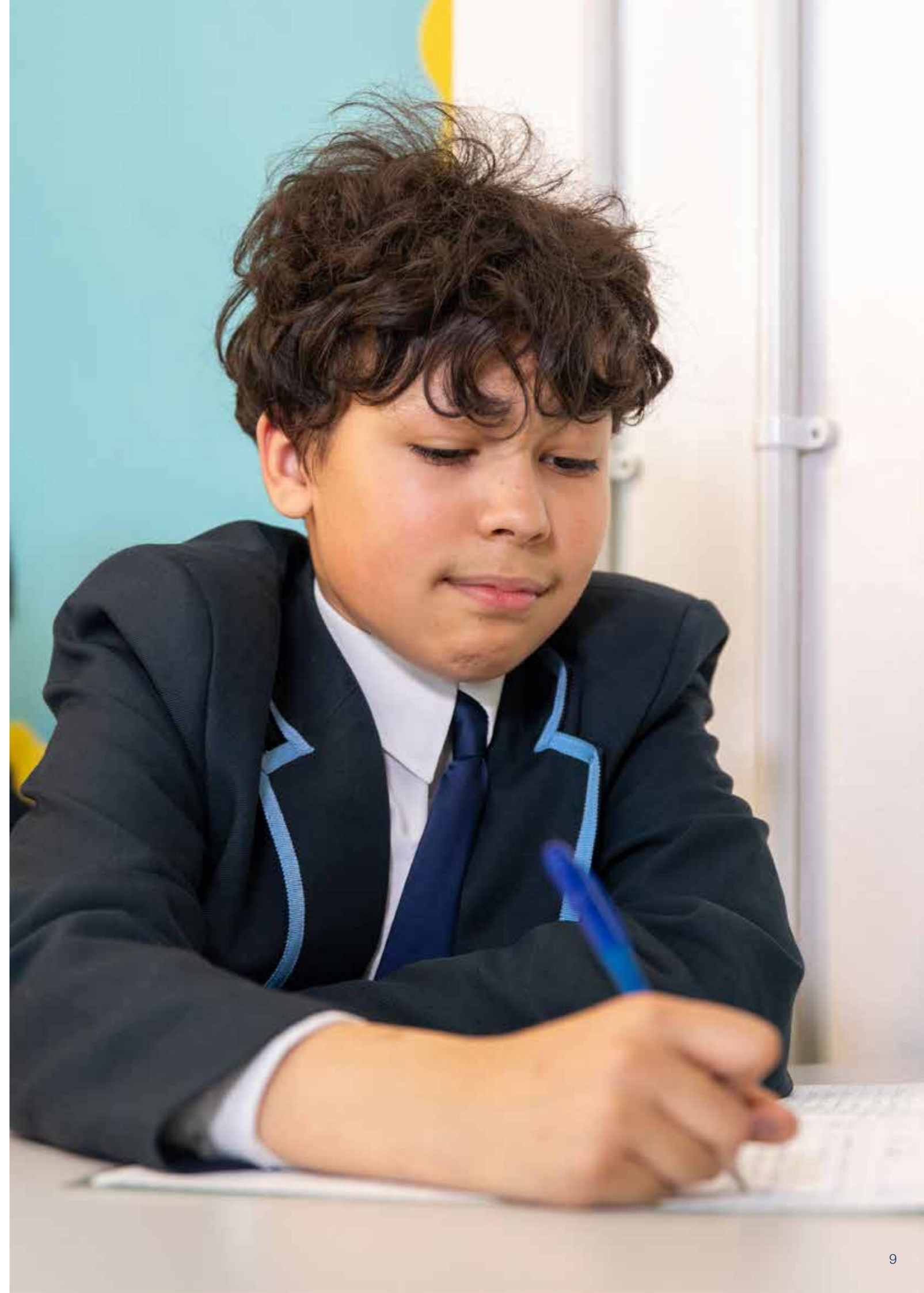
Appeal Arrangements

Unsuccessful applicants will have the right to appeal against the decision to an Independent Admissions Appeals Panel established under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998. Independent appeals for this school are arranged by Academy staff, please contact the Academy.

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We aim to create an environment where our children are happy, excited and eager to attend every day.

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A Message from our Founder



When I started Oasis back in 1985, I had no idea it would grow into the wonderful family of charities that it has become today. In Oasis Community Learning, we are the country's second largest provider of Academy schools, educating around 25,000 children and young people. Through Oasis Aquila Housing, we provide housing for vulnerable young people. With Oasis Community Partnerships we run social projects – from community farms and coffee houses to churches and children's centres – and much more besides. And we do this in communities as diverse as Gateshead in the North East to Bristol in the South West. So, the question is...why?

Not only do we believe your child should receive the very best formal education, but also that there is more to a healthy life and future than simply the knowledge they hold. Every one of us is a product of the community in which we live. That is why Oasis is passionate that every community served by one of our Academies should be a happy, healthy place where every person is included and

valued, and has the ability to thrive and achieve their full, God-given potential. That is why Oasis' vision not only aims to deliver outstanding education, but also to help build great local neighbourhoods.

We are motivated by our core Christian ethos which means that we believe every person – those of all faiths or none – are equally valuable and have a part to contribute in helping this vision become a reality. Helping a young person realise who they are meant to be is about more than simply the qualifications they get or the job they want; it's about how they see themselves and those around them. That's why Oasis' goal is to help create great communities where every young person achieves their best, respects themselves, values those around them and contributes to the good of all.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to an Oasis Academy in order to experience this for yourself.



Steve Chalke, MBE
Oasis Founder



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