

## Offer Letter - Kensington Aldridge Academy (KAA) - Student Name

## Dear Parent Name,

I'm delighted to confirm your offer of a Year 7 place here at Kensington Aldridge Academy (KAA). Admission is very competitive, so it's great that **Student Name** has secured a place at KAA.

The next step is for you to confirm your acceptance of the place with your home local authority. Please do this by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. The vast majority of our offers are accepted, but in the unlikely event that you don't wish to take it up, it's helpful for us to know this as soon as possible so we can offer to students on our waiting list.

Some reminders as to why KAA is the school of choice for many parents in West London;

- 60% of all A Level grades last year were A\*-B and 50% of school leavers attend Russell Group universities after their A levels, with a small number to Oxbridge each year.
- 26% of all GCSE grades were 9-7, with 69% of students achieving a grade 4 or above in both English and Maths (54% grade 5 or above).
- Ofsted describe standards at KAA as not just "outstanding", but "exceptional" and "remarkable".
- Our 2022 <u>Good Schools Guide</u> review highlights the "phenomenal" education our students' receive, stating "bring an appetite for learning and hard work (and the right attitude essential here) and the school will provide a banquet of opportunities academic, cultural and sporting that lead to success".
- A <u>co-curricular offer</u> to rival any school, with a full programme of after school clubs and societies, as well as trips, visits and holiday residentials. Details can be found via our <u>news pages</u>.

It's also important to note that KAA has a strong focus on student discipline, with a no tolerance approach to disruptive behaviour. Parents are required to support this approach from the start. Where parents support our expectations and reinforce them at home, students quickly adjust to our rules and have a very positive secondary school experience. In rare cases where parents disagree with behaviour decisions, it can lead to frustration that serves no one's interests. That's why it's important to be upfront about this.

I don't need to go into detail about each of the behaviour expectations here, however, the most important things for me to mention are that students must be courteous and polite to each other and staff at all times, have excellent attendance and punctuality, be well prepared for their learning, and dressed in full school uniform at all times.

Our rules help create a calm, safe environment which supports positive interactions between students and teachers. We hope you will support us with our high expectations when you join. Our full behaviour policy can be viewed on our website <u>here</u>. If, having read it, any parent feels like a school with fewer or different rules would be better for their child, we would ask that they decline the offer now to allow another student to take up the place.

Once you accept your offer, the next steps will be;

- Complete our registration forms, which we will send to you in April
- Attend a **one-to-one induction meeting** with your child and a member of the leadership team here at KAA in **June or July**
- Your child will attend a Year 6 Taster Day at KAA on Wednesday 3rd July 2024





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- Parents will attend Year 6 Parents' Information Evening on the same date from 6pm, so we can • discuss with you some key aspects of academy life and go over the arrangements for the start of term
- Students will have the opportunity to attend a programme of summer enrichment to support their • transition to secondary school. This will be a voluntary offer during July and August, we will share details of how to register your interest in July.

I'll finish by restating our excitement to start working with Student Name, and to help him / her develop an Intrepidus approach to his / her studies. I can give you my personal commitment that he / she will receive a first-rate education here at KAA, to rival what any school could provide.

With best wishes,

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Anna Jordan **Principal** 

