



**DROITWICH SPA
HIGH SCHOOL**
AND SIXTH FORM CENTRE

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I am pleased that you would like to know more about Droitwich Spa High School and Sixth Form Centre. Our purpose is to serve almost all of the children and young people of high school age in Droitwich and its surrounding villages. We value the interest of all who share our commitment and values.



In the School Handbook and elsewhere on the school website you will find a good deal of detailed information about the practicalities of life at the high school. Whether you already have a child at the school or are likely to become one of our parents in the future, I hope that you will find the information you are seeking. If not, please get in touch with the school directly.

Having spoken with many prospective parents over the past 10 years and more, however, I know that no handbook or website, however detailed, can address the questions which often underly their visit. They are concerned to sense what the school is like, to know what it values.

This is a comprehensive school. We aim to provide opportunities for a range of abilities and aptitudes. We recognise that these may emerge at different rates and in different forms. Our job is to provide the circumstances where they may flourish.

Their success may be a high level of achievement at GCSE or A-level or in the years beyond. Our record there, as you will see in the handbook, includes many distinctions. But success is not only to be measured against these standards. What really counts is making use of opportunities, appreciating their value and exploiting them wholeheartedly. That is what our staff aim to support, be it within their classroom or beyond.

Learning to live within a large community is another fundamental of the high school experience. We want our students to deal decently with each other and with the many adults who work across our site. Each is worthy of respect and each should be able to contribute confidently.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "N. J. Waters".

Natalie Waters