



# ERASMUS DARWIN ACADEMY

*Excellence for All*

We invite you to attend our

## OPEN EVENING



**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**5.00 pm-8.00 pm (last entry 7.30 pm)**

We will also be holding a series of OPEN MORNINGS from 9.15 am on the following dates: 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> September. **However, please be aware that these are by appointment only and are only available for families who are unable to attend Open Evening. Please contact reception on 01543 685828 for further information.**

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## What Does Ofsted Say?

In February 2018, we were delighted when our Ofsted report confirmed that we are in an extremely strong and healthy position. The following comments are a selection of the many positive things that Ofsted said about us:

“Erasmus Darwin Academy is clearly a strong community.”

“The school’s ethos of ‘excellence for all’ and the quality of care stands out.”

“Relationships are exemplary across the school.”

“Morale is high. All staff and students said that they are proud to work at EDA.”

“All staff show a genuine passion for pupils to be safe and happy while they achieve to their very best.”

“All parents and pupils said that their child is happy and safe at school.”

“All staff understand that keeping pupils safe is their top priority.”

“Pupils are friendly, courteous and well behaved.”

“The school is a calm learning environment.”

“Teaching is very strong...and the great majority of pupils achieve very well as a result.”

“Teaching is particularly effective in English, mathematics and science.”

“Students demonstrate extremely positive attitudes to their learning and act as role models to younger peers.”

“The school’s curriculum offers a wide range of learning experiences, both in and outside of the classroom.”

“The curriculum is enlivened by excellent extra-curricular activities which pupils really value.”

## How Were 2018 GCSE Results?

Please note: 1) All GCSE subjects apart from Food & Nutrition, Technology and Business Studies now follow the 1-9 grading system, with **Grades 4-9** being the equivalent to the old **A\*-C**.

2) **NS** in brackets refers to the National Standard. Wherever the official 2018 National Standard has not yet been released, the 2017 figure has been used as a benchmark.

### Key Headline Figures

**% Grades 4-9 in English and Maths: 79% (NS=61%)**

**% Grades 5-9 in English and Maths: 56% (NS= 39%)**

**Attainment 8 Score: 54 (NS=44)**

### Core Subject Performance

2018 performance in all core subjects was very strong:

**% Grades 4-9 in English: 89% (NS= 74%)    % Grades 5-9 in English: 74% (NS= 56%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Maths: 80% (NS= 70%)    % Grades 5-9 in Maths: 60% (NS= 50%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Combined Science: 89% (NS=67%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Single Sciences Biology: 100% (NS=89%) Chemistry:100% (NS=89%) Physics:100% (NS=89%)**

### Optional Subject Performance - Highlights

As well as performing superbly in core subjects, EDA students also excelled in their optional subjects, demonstrating extremely high standards in creative and practical subjects as well as academic subjects. The following are some of the highlights of performance in optional subjects:

**% Grades 4-9 in Art: 97% (NS=75%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Computing: 88% (NS=61%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Drama: 100% (NS=74%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Sport/PE: 90% (NS=80%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Statistics: 95% (NS=73%)**

**% Grades 4-9 in Textiles: 100% (NS=61%)**