Aurora Hedgeway School

Flexible, inclusive education and a positive, vibrant learning community, for autistic children and young people aged 7–18, with a range of social and communication needs.



Welcome to our school

At Aurora Hedgeway, every student has the chance to explore and fulfil their own unique potential. With provision running from Key Stage 2 all the way through to post-16, we are set up to support children and young people at every stage of their academic journey.

Our broad and balanced curriculum is designed by 'stage' rather than 'age', allowing each student to learn alongside others with similar skills and abilities, while our focus on social and emotional support helps our students to develop both confidence and independence. By the time they leave us, our students are ready to tackle the next challenges of adulthood – whether that's through further education, training or employment.

Our facilities and curriculum

At Hedgeway School we teach to stage and not age however we broadly follow the national curriculum at Key Stage 2 and 3. All pupils will follow the national curriculum in English, Maths and Science alongside History, Geography, RE, Art, Music, Computing, PE and PSHCE. In addition, we offer weekly food technology lessons, Outdoor Learning sessions and SEAL (Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning) development.

At Key Stage 4 and 5, students pursue qualifications up to GCSE in English, Maths and Science. All students will follow accredited courses in Pathways to Employment, Computer Science, Home Cooking Skills and Arts Award alongside Pastoral and Wellbeing sessions. Students can also choose one of the following as an qualification option: Entry Level Geography, History, PE, Art and Design, GCSE Art or BTEC Vocational Studies.



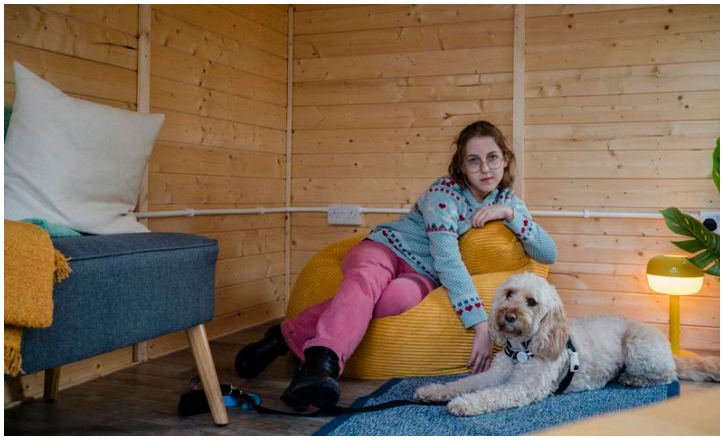
All pupils have weekly Outdoor Learning sessions which blend academic learning concepts with practical skills. At Key Stages 2 and 3 this includes Forest School, horticulture, and the environment around us. At Key Stage 4 and post-16, there is the opportunity for more design technology activities.

Aurora Hedgeway has recently undergone significant refurbishment, to provide a modern, stimulating learning environment that meets the complex needs of our students. Our on-site facilities include specialist indoor learning areas such as a sensory room, a music room and a food technology kitchen, where students can learn how to make snacks, bake cakes and cook simple, nutritious meals.

Outdoor spaces on our 2-acre site include a hardcourt and playground area, as well as a science laboratory and vocational area for basic construction skills. We also have a Forest School area to facilitate learning away from the conventional classroom environment. Off-campus, our students regularly access sports, leisure and cultural facilities in the busy, diverse city of Bristol and its surrounding areas.

Integrated approach

Through a range of integrated therapy services, including occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, music therapy and clinical psychology, we help each student to develop not only their academic abilities, but also their self-confidence, life skills and independence.



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