



PARKSTONE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
PROSPECTUS

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OUR VISION

At Parkstone we embody the values of Commitment, Courage and Compassion to enable students to adapt and thrive in an evolving world, providing an education that inspires and empowers students to determine and achieve their goals.

COMMITMENT

“Be tenacious and relentless in your curiosity for knowledge”

COURAGE

“Feel confident to achieve your very best and develop your resilience to overcome barriers”

COMPASSION

“You should encourage and care for your peers, value and engage with all cultures and religions in our diverse global community”

Our values sit at the heart of our Parkstone family. They guide our students as they grow, thrive and develop into courageous, committed and compassionate young people.

Students join us from a very wide range of schools and quickly make new friends and find their niche in our warm and welcoming environment. During their seven years at Parkstone students will be challenged to achieve at the highest academic levels; they will be challenged to be the best person they can be; and they will be challenged to live life to the full!



Parkstone is a remarkable school. This prospectus can give you but a small window into the opportunities we offer. I welcome you to what could be a memorable journey together.

DAVID
HALLSWORTH

Headteacher

“Students are rightly proud of their school which provides a broad and balanced curriculum promoting independence, intellectual curiosity and a love of learning.”

DAVID HALLSWORTH, HEADTEACHER



ASPIRATION AND AMBITION

At Parkstone students follow a creative and rigorous curriculum, exploring the knowledge and skills to become informed and impassioned young people.

Academic results at GCSE and A Level are amongst the very best in the country but this excellence is only a part of the story at Parkstone.

Our learning spaces enable innovative and exciting teaching, with our custom built Sports Hall, Drama and Music spaces, as well as our first class Art and Technology facilities. At Parkstone we pride ourselves on creating the very best learning experiences in inspirational learning spaces.

REGULARLY IN THE
TOP PERFORMING
SCHOOLS NATIONALLY

“Pupils are confident and articulate learners. They take great pride in their work and are determined to succeed.”

OFSTED REPORT



“Parkstone has encouraged and inspired me to love learning. There is a great community and I am always supported – just like a family.”

YEAR 7 PUPIL

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Our guiding principles are driven by :

- Exceptional learning where great teachers enjoy autonomy in the classroom to inspire and challenge our able students.
- Very high quality staff development and peer support to facilitate highly effective learning over time.
- Personalised support with highly effective intervention to enable equal access to learning.
- Students having an understanding of global and national diversity and being well prepared for life in an ever evolving world.

All students meet their Form Tutor every morning. Form Tutors get to know their tutees and become a source of support and knowledge for the students.





MUCH MORE THAN AN ORDINARY EDUCATION

Parkstone is no ordinary school and exceptional academic results are but a part of the experience here.

All students are encouraged to throw themselves into the myriad of opportunities in sport, music, theatre, trips, leadership, debating and so much more.

We are a family at Parkstone where students build friendships that last a lifetime. From nurturing tutor groups in Year 7, students grow to develop networks of friends through our House System, through clubs and societies as well as the many leadership and charitable opportunities that are on offer. We also have an experienced and compassionate pastoral team to offer specialist support if needed.

There are a very wide range of opportunities at Parkstone and we encourage all new students to be involved in as many activities as they can.



“I cannot thank every member of the school enough, from Reception through to the Headteacher. Our daughter has embraced everything Parkstone has offered her. She now has a thirst for knowledge and is ready to fly!”

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EDUCATING GIRLS

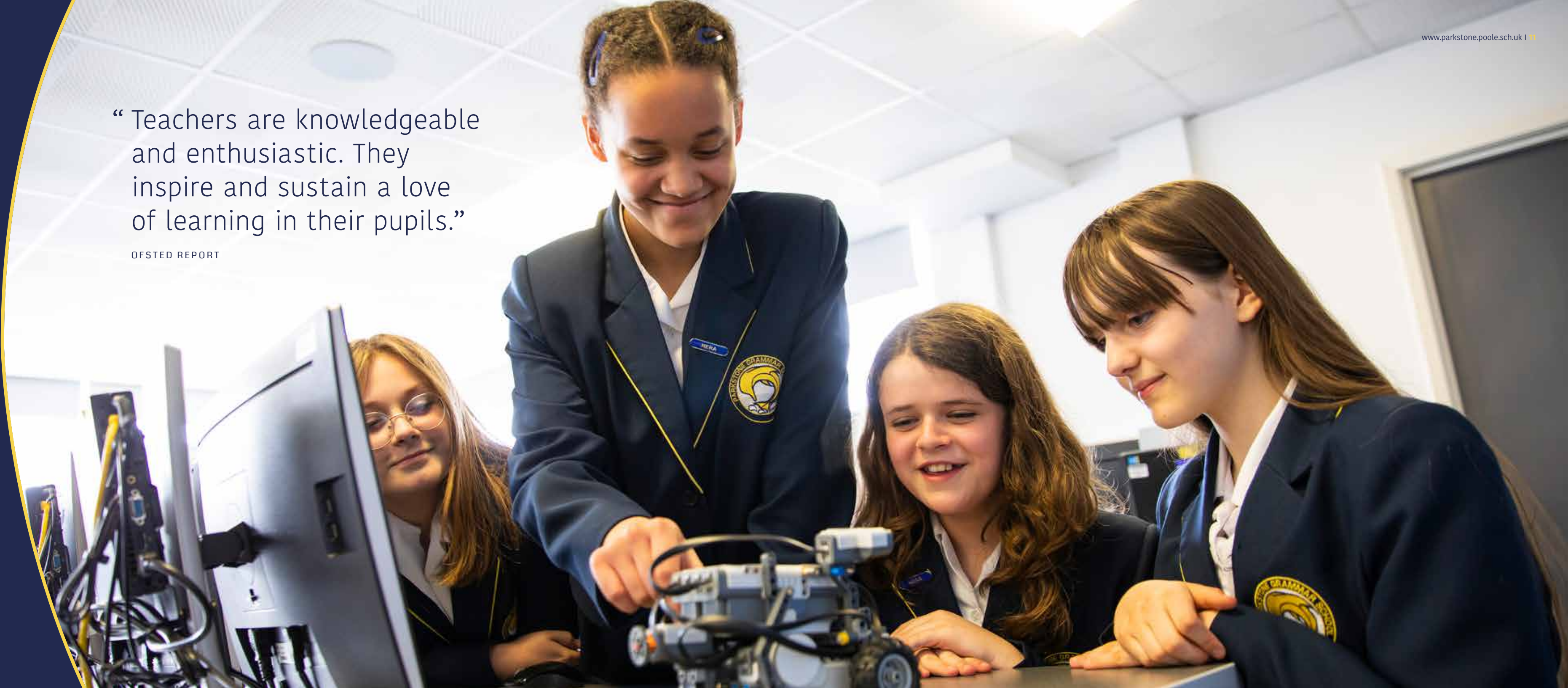
Parkstone bucks the trend for women in science and technology. Many Parkstone students leave us for successful careers in mathematics, engineering, science related fields and design.

There are no glass ceilings to ambition at Parkstone and no limits to what is possible for our young women. Our school environment fuels ambition, confidence and creativity.

“Teachers are knowledgeable and enthusiastic. They inspire and sustain a love of learning in their pupils.”

OFSTED REPORT

Students have wellbeing lessons that develop their self-awareness, knowledge and the confidence required for adult life, further learning and work.



“ Pupils make remarkable progress by the time they take their GCSEs in Year 11.”

OFSTED REPORT

BEYOND PARKSTONE

Almost all students continue their post 16 education at Parkstone where they pursue an academic curriculum combined with a bespoke and creative package of skill enhancement and further qualifications.

At 18, students leave Parkstone having developed in confidence, optimism and compassion. They continue their education at university, in higher level apprenticeships and employment for which they receive expert guidance.

PARKSTONE HAS
ACHIEVED ALL EIGHT OF
THE GATSBY BENCHMARKS
FOR HIGH QUALITY
CAREERS GUIDANCE





“Parkstone was the very best option for our daughter and has helped her grow in confidence and equipped her for university and life beyond!”

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