



LEWESTON
SHERBORNE

LEWESTON SCHOOL
STRATEGIC PLAN

2022-2025



WHAT DO WE STAND FOR?

The Leweston way is grounded in our values:

Leweston School's three core values are **community**, **opportunity** and **expertise**. They are underpinned by our Catholic foundation, which welcomes all faiths and none, building a strong sense of unity, courtesy, respect and affection.

Everything we do comes from a place of self-worth and dignity.

- **Community** means being part of a collective. It's essential for every student to feel that they are an important part of the Leweston family and contribute to the life of the school. This same sense is extended to their parents and guardians.
- **Opportunity** is in abundance. We are proud of our zest for life and instil a willingness to try everything and to learn from our failures. This discovery of strength and weaknesses, and the support we provide to students in exploring it, enables them to develop the determination to persevere – a real lesson in preparation for life beyond the school.
- **Expertise** means having an expert skill or knowledge in a particular field. We have an exceptionally talented staff team, who have outstanding expertise and enthusiasm to inspire in others a love of learning and to share their passion for areas of specialism.

OUR AMBITION

Our ambition is to provide every pupil with the best possible opportunity to learn and grow helping them to achieve more than they thought possible.

Our ambition is aspirational and provides the driver for all that we do. It encapsulates our belief in what makes Leweston special.

To make our vision reality, we will be working towards five core strategic goals based on the school values.

COMMUNITY

To create a family community of shared aspirations and values which engenders a strong sense of belonging for parents, pupils and staff alike.

- To strengthen our Catholic ethos across all aspects of education by integrating it into the curriculum plan, pastoral provision and super-curricular options
- To build and enhance the school's relationship within the Catholic community
- To enhance our charities provision and be notable for our service to the community
- To establish closer ties between parents, pupils, former pupils and friends of the school
- To strengthen the relationship between the Prep and Senior School to reflect a one school philosophy
- To improve, revitalise the House system as a core part of school life
- To enable pupils and staff to engage with the wider world
- To build a vibrant and diverse boarding community that extends across both schools



OPPORTUNITY

To provide the widest range of opportunity to our pupils, preparing them to take their place in the world.

- To improve and extend our extra, co and super curricular offer, including trips and visits
- To develop a distinctive Sixth Form which is valued by students and parents
- To extend our careers advice and careers development across the whole school
- To ensure that every opportunity is open to all and that pupils are aware of the importance of inclusivity and equality
- To improve our IT to ensure our pupils and staff are best served to make use of new technology
- To develop our emphasis on outdoor pursuits, pupil wellbeing and life skills development
- To be receptive to the views of all pupils



EXPERTISE

To demonstrate the depth and breadth of experience in all aspects of the Leweston offering and the impact this has on our pupils.

- To be notable for our excellent curriculum and innovation in teaching and learning
- To employ differentiated approaches to teaching and learning, drawing on cognitive science to inform our teaching
- To demonstrate the skills of our pupils and staff to the wider world
- To be notable for the specialist aspects of our provision and our elite programmes
- Develop a programme for academic scholars and other able and interested pupils



IDENTITY

To develop and communicate a strong sense of who and what we stand for.

- To have a strong cultural identity that is easily identifiable as 'Leweston' and instils a sense of pride and belonging
- To improve our site and environment to ensure it is an expression of 'Leweston'
- To make the community internally and externally aware of our traditions and history



ACCOUNTABILITY

To maintain the highest standards in education and do so with integrity, effective leadership and efficiency.

- To ensure the quality of pupil achievement and learning
- To secure the future of the school through cost effective practice
- To ensure clear strategic direction for the school
- To provide a fantastic, renovated, refurbished workplace that offers as broad an education as possible
- To be environmentally aware and reduce our carbon footprint
- To have a wide range of income producing streams which support the school's development





