



A CO-EDUCATIONAL DAY  
AND BOARDING SCHOOL  
FOR 0 TO 18 YEAR OLDS



## *A School Apart from Others*

It is a tremendous privilege to be the seventeenth headmaster of Rossall School. It is a truly outstanding school and offers boys and girls of all ages the opportunity to benefit from an excellent quality of teaching and learning. Situated on the spectacular Fylde coast, we are a progressive and internationally-minded community wholeheartedly committed to serving the young people of the North-West and beyond. Many schools endeavour to promote internationalism as a 'bolt-on', but at Rossall it is hardwired into our DNA. Our pupils benefit from an extraordinarily vibrant academic culture and this actively promotes both their intellectual development and their emotional growth.

Michaelangelo is reputed to have said:

*“Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it. I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free.”*

At Rossall we are remarkably successful at helping young people to identify their interests and talents. We help them fulfil their true potential whilst inspiring a lifelong love of learning. Our success, in this regard, is reflected in the extraordinary achievements of those who have passed through this School in years past.

Rossall's iconic buildings and diverse and modern curriculum distinguishes us from our local and regional competitors and, whilst we are mindful of our illustrious history and traditions, we are resolutely focused upon the future. We believe that a twenty-first century education must balance courage with compassion and creativity with consistency. We believe that personal happiness and emotional literacy are as important as academic success and professional fulfilment. It is for this reason that young people leave us with the confidence, resilience and skills necessary for their future personal and professional success and happiness. Above all, we are a School with a clear ethos and we treat each other with kindness and respect.

I am sure you will enjoy learning more about our school as you read on, but there really is no substitute for a personal visit. We look forward to welcoming you and your family to Rossall at any point during the year and many families like to have a taster day so their children may experience the incredible warmth of our community for themselves.

MR JEREMY QUARTERMAIN  
HEADMASTER

**AS STATED BY THE  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE  
(ISI) (JUNE 2019):**

- Our pupils are self-confident, self-reflective and self-disciplined
- Pupils of all ages demonstrate excellent attitudes towards their learning
- Our pupils' behaviour is exemplary
- Our pupils relate very well to each other because of the supportive environment of the house structure and the boarding system
- Our pupils appreciate the peaceful and tranquil surroundings and the open spaces in which they are educated



OUR  
*Story*

Rossall is a school steeped in history. Explore our remarkable School, from 1844 to now...

Founded in 1844, Rossall School quickly assumed its position as one of the top thirty public schools in the UK. By the end of Queen Victoria's reign, its academic results were among the best in the country.

## *Our Mission*

### SHAPING LIVES, INSPIRING EXCELLENCE

It is our mission to inspire young people to develop a lifelong love of learning within a pastorally nurturing, culturally exciting and intellectually creative community.



### *How we accomplish this:*

#### INSPIRING INTELLECTUAL EXCITEMENT AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

We inspire an enduring love of learning through the outstanding quality of teaching and learning that we provide for young people.

#### DEVELOPING COMPASSIONATE AND CARING YOUNG PEOPLE

Our unique educational offering provides a perfect context within which young people may acquire the emotional knowledge and interpersonal skills necessary to live happy and purposeful lives.

#### ENGENDERING CULTURAL AWARENESS AND ARTISTIC CREATIVITY

We are committed to providing young people with the opportunity to explore and develop their creative sensibilities through the outstanding quality of our performing arts and visual arts provision.

#### ENSURING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

We are an internationally-minded community yet resolutely committed to sharing our resources and skills with the people of the Fylde Coast.

#### PROMOTING SPORTING EXCELLENCE

We are justifiably proud of our illustrious sporting history and current prowess. We recognise the many health and social benefits to be derived from regular exercise and participation in team sports.

#### AN EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE

We are committed to ensuring that our young people are superbly well prepared for life in an ever changing world. We do this by developing transferable skills within a technologically enriched and well-resourced environment.



*“Pupils feel that the strong pastoral support, as well as the praise and encouragement they receive from their teachers, serves to build their confidence and makes them valued members of the school community.”*

ISI REPORT, JUNE 2019

# OUR Community



Experience the incredible warmth of this most remarkable and successful of communities.

## Our pupils are truly outstanding individuals.

The extraordinary success of this community is reflected in our confident, accomplished, courageous, aspirant, compassionate and fun-loving young people.

There is no doubt that all of our pupils benefit from being part of an intellectually exciting and culturally dynamic community. They have countless opportunities to explore their interests and to develop their skills.

We focus huge attention upon each individual whilst ensuring a vibrant and inclusive School.



## Serving the Local Community

Whilst we are an internationally-minded community, we are resolutely committed to the concept of localism and this is reflected in our service programme.

We recognise our extraordinary potential to serve our local communities and we are committed to sharing our resources and skills with the people of the Fylde Coast.

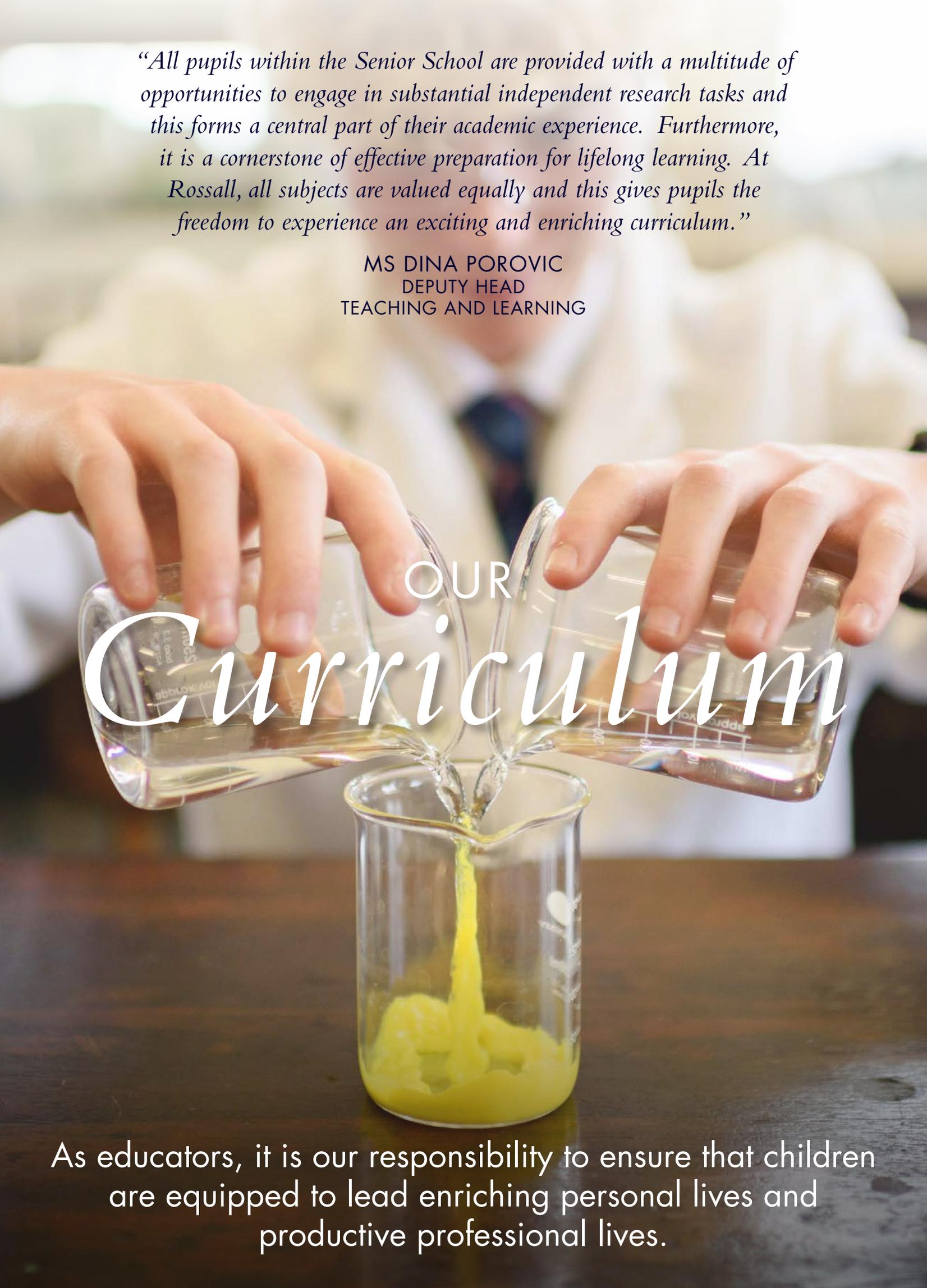
*“The Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) programme is just one of the highlights of the International Baccalaureate Diploma, a course offered to our Sixth Form students. Within the CAS programme, students are required to undertake a number of activities/projects which help students to acquire a better understanding of their local communities and to support the needs of others.”*

**MISS BETHAN JONES**  
DIRECTOR OF  
INTERNATIONAL  
BACCALAUREATE



*“All pupils within the Senior School are provided with a multitude of opportunities to engage in substantial independent research tasks and this forms a central part of their academic experience. Furthermore, it is a cornerstone of effective preparation for lifelong learning. At Rossall, all subjects are valued equally and this gives pupils the freedom to experience an exciting and enriching curriculum.”*

MS DINA POROVIC  
DEPUTY HEAD  
TEACHING AND LEARNING



OUR  
*Curriculum*

As educators, it is our responsibility to ensure that children are equipped to lead enriching personal lives and productive professional lives.

Our broad and balanced curriculum is delivered with the principles of the Rossall School Learner Profile at its heart.

We use the Learner Profile as the inspiration, motivation and focus for our teaching and learning. We expect our children to be:

Inquirers  
Knowledgeable  
Thinkers  
Communicators  
Principled  
Open-minded  
Caring  
Risk-takers  
Balanced  
Reflective

At Nursery level, we follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) – our staff help to nurture and develop early learning goals for each pupil in a dynamic and stimulating environment.



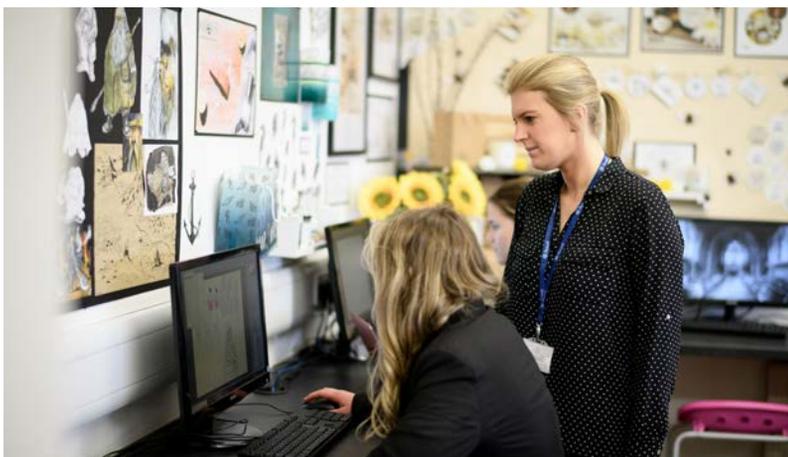
From age 3 to 11 (up to Year 6), we deliver a bespoke curriculum that supports independent learning, curiosity, and creativity alongside subject-specific rigour. Our curriculum offers all pupils the chance to explore their individual strengths whilst offering opportunities to discover new experiences, providing secure foundations for success in the Senior School.

In Years 7, 8 and 9 our pupils benefit from an exciting and challenging curriculum. A unique aspect of the Lower School curriculum is the incredible diversity of subjects on offer.



In Years 10 and 11, pupils are able to choose their GCSE and IGCSE subjects from a wide range of options. Most pupils will study 9 or 10 subjects, but there is significant flexibility, including a fast-track option for those pupils joining us for one year.

Our Sixth Form provision is extensive and students can opt to follow either the International Baccalaureate Diploma programme or the A Level route. All Sixth Formers are provided with extensive careers guidance throughout their time with us to ensure that they are well prepared for their chosen university destination/apprenticeships and beyond.



## *EAL*

Our popular and bespoke international courses enable young people to make rapid progress both linguistically and academically.

## *Learning Development*

Our Learning Development Team provides an outstanding quality of support for pupils at all stages. Individual needs are catered for and this allows pupils to make excellent progress.



OUR  
*Drive*

We expect our pupils to become the best version of themselves through their enjoyment of learning and the knowledge that they are making excellent progress.

We are intent on:

- ❁ Ensuring an outstanding quality of teaching
- ❁ Providing an exciting and engaging curriculum
- ❁ Ensuring children are constantly challenged and inspired
- ❁ Encouraging young people to have confidence in their ability to develop their skills and knowledge
- ❁ Working in close partnership with parents to provide a context and environment conducive to personal happiness and professional success
- ❁ Supporting high aspirations and helping young people realise their dreams
- ❁ Supporting our pupils to develop a clear understanding of their own capabilities and a growth mindset.



*“Above all else, we seek to inspire our pupils to become lifelong learners. We expect them to understand the importance of working hard. We live in a competitive world and our pupils know that they need to earn their places at university and/or progression to a career of their choosing. The true value of education is not readily measurable but it serves to shape the development of character.”*

**MR JEREMY QUARTERMAIN  
HEADMASTER**





OUR  
*Boarding*

Our boarders are able to develop great friendships and social skills, independence and understanding, as well as a warmth of spirit and character that will serve them well throughout their lives.

*“I have made friends from all over the world and I am sure that these will endure long after I leave. I enjoy activities that I would never have thought of trying before I came to Rossall. You will never feel more passionately loyal than when representing your House in a sporting event, music competition or academic challenge. Rossall is an incredible experience; one which delights, inspires and motivates.”*

**MORGAN WOODWARD  
UNITED KINGDOM, WEEKLY BOARDER**



**We offer a range of boarding options to suit the individual requirements of each family.**

-  Flexi boarding allows pupils to board between one and three nights each week. This is convenient if attending a regular weekly club, study period or sporting commitment.
-  Weekly boarding is ideal for pupils who want to take advantage of everything our extensive co-curricular programme has to offer.
-  Full boarding delivers the whole boarding experience, thus enabling pupils to enjoy weekend activities and social occasions with friends.

Our beautifully appointed boarding houses are at the heart of an extended family, supported by caring houseparents and tutors who are attuned to the needs of the young people.

Growing and learning in such a friendly and culturally diverse environment helps our young people develop into well-rounded, confident and knowledgeable individuals.



*“Pupils value the freedom, support and nurturing that the house and boarding system provides for them... There is a real sense of belonging and camaraderie between the members of each house regardless of age.”*

**ISI REPORT, JUNE  
2019**

OUR  
*Facilities*  
AND THE BEACH



Our curriculum is globally focused; our community international, and our technology and facilities state-of-the-art.

## Our generous facilities support excellence in teaching and learning.

From our dedicated Science building and state-of-the-art Design Technology workshops to our bright and spacious Art studios, the school provides every student with the space and resources necessary to pursue their academic studies and co-curricular interests.

The Beecham Music School, with its own practice organ, orchestral rehearsal room and Sibelius suite offers an excellent environment within which pupils may develop their skills. Our state-of-the-art Performing Arts Studio, additional theatres, performance and exhibition spaces provide budding singers, actors and artists with the opportunity to explore their talents and passions.

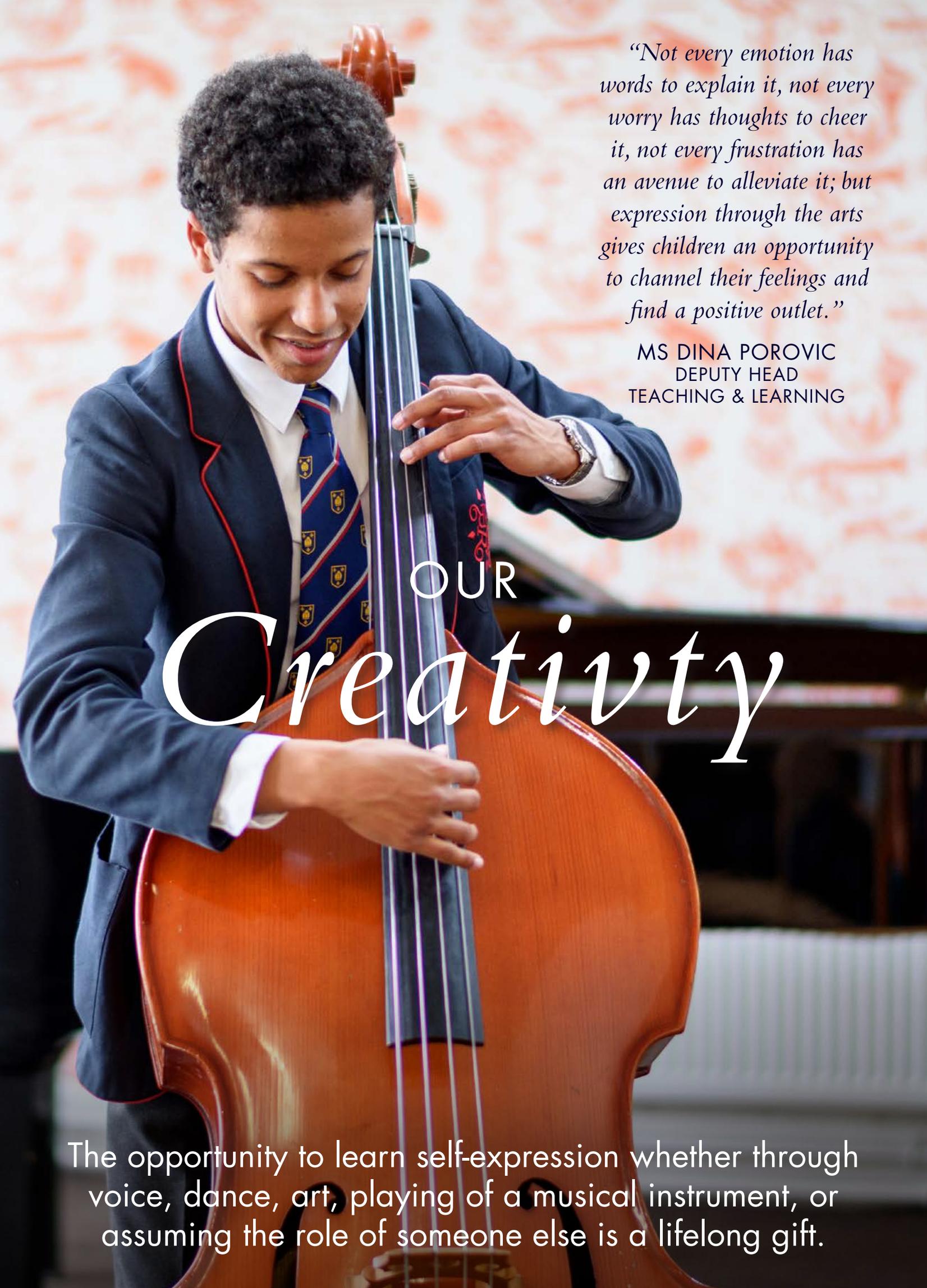
Our dedicated Sixth Form Study Centre has rooms suitable for quiet study and collaborative learning and our modern kitchen classroom supports the development of culinary skills.

Beyond the classroom, our spacious 160 acre campus has extensive sports and recreation facilities. The multi-million-pound Rossall Sports Centre houses our indoor sports hall which provides extensive space for indoor hockey, basketball and cricket. A four lane 50m sprint track, a long jump track, gymnasium and viewing gallery overlooking the all-weather sports pitch. Our campus also accommodates a Golf Academy, a 25-metre indoor heated swimming pool, squash courts, tennis courts, fives courts, a multi-use games area, extensive sports pitches and cricket pavilion. Our beach is our back garden and we put it to good use for the unique sport of Ross Hockey.



## Outdoor Learning

Our extensive outdoor space provides a wonderful environment, rich with opportunities for learning. It is a place where children are at the centre of their learning experience. Here at Rossall School we are extremely proud of our Beach School status and on the beach, the children have the opportunity to engage with the natural world, in an ever-changing environment. This stimulates their creative thinking and problem solving skills.

A young man with dark curly hair, wearing a dark blue school blazer with red piping, a white shirt, and a blue patterned tie, is playing a double bass. He is looking down at the instrument with a focused expression. The background is a blurred wall with a repeating pattern of orange and white floral or geometric shapes.

*“Not every emotion has words to explain it, not every worry has thoughts to cheer it, not every frustration has an avenue to alleviate it; but expression through the arts gives children an opportunity to channel their feelings and find a positive outlet.”*

MS DINA POROVIC  
DEPUTY HEAD  
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OUR  
*Creativity*

The opportunity to learn self-expression whether through voice, dance, art, playing of a musical instrument, or assuming the role of someone else is a lifelong gift.



## *Music*

Rossall life is infused with music and we aim to awaken a love and appreciation for this art form.

Singing is a regular feature for everyone, whether as part of assemblies and Chapel, competitions or as part of the choir or a band. Many pupils enjoy music and vocal lessons and throughout the whole school there are a variety of musical ensembles and frequent opportunities to perform.

## *Performing Arts*

Drama at Rossall is about much more than putting on plays. Pupils are encouraged to challenge their perceptions of themselves not just as performers, but as directors, designers, writers and technicians. Our ethos is inherently inclusive, and we provide opportunities for all our pupils to develop existing skills alongside activities designed to enable them to discover new ones.

Our state-of-the-art Performing Arts Studio provides the perfect blank canvas for performance of all kinds. This is supported by industry-standard lighting and sound equipment, on which pupils who join our technical team are fully trained.



## *Art and Technology*

We embrace all forms of creativity within the Art, Design and Technology Departments through a balance of traditional and contemporary approaches.

Our Art studios are beautifully light and airy and the Design Department provides the very latest in CAD and workshop equipment, including a 3D printer.

*“We firmly believe that there is a sport and physical activity for everyone. Our promotion of participation, performance and excellence ensures that we consistently strive for success on a personal, national and international scale.”*

MR JACK CROPPER  
DIRECTOR OF SPORT

# OUR *Sports*

Rossall Sport does not just explore a child's sporting competence but also their character, creativity and community spirit.

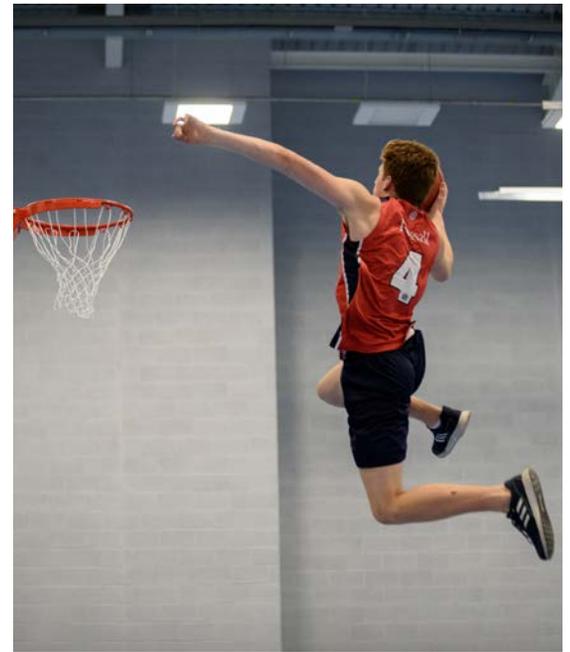
We fully understand the educational benefits and wellbeing which a balanced sporting programme can provide for young people.

Participation, engagement and enjoying the experience is at the heart of sport at Rossall.

A range of sporting activities exist for the dedicated sports person but if you are a recreational player or just want to have fun staying fit, there are plenty of opportunities to express yourself. We nurture our stand-out performers at Rossall, but all pupils' efforts are valued, be that achieving national representation or finding you like a new sport, or achieving a personal best in a PE lesson.

The Sports programme is led by a Director of Sport who oversees the development of all pupils. Our programme is based on providing for athletic development and helping everyone to find the sport or physical activity for them. A schedule of inter-house competition is played regularly throughout each term. Camps, tournaments and tours to other regions of Britain and internationally are put in place to help develop pupils' sporting experience.

Rossall sport is renowned for being of a high order, locally, nationally and internationally in terms of elite performance and participation.



## *Golf Academy*

Rossall has the top independent school Golf Academy in the UK attracting young golfers from around the world. Our indoor practice facilities have everything a keen golfer would need to improve and perfect all elements of their game, including the latest video analysis equipment. The dedicated golf professionals work with local facilities to offer an outstanding provision. The Academy also benefits from links with world-class golf courses in the North West of England.

## *Elite Football Programme*

We offer an Elite Football Programme in partnership with Fleetwood Town Football Academy. Fleetwood Town are a professional English Football League Club with a major commitment to nurturing young talent. The programme provides aspirational footballers the opportunity to train at one of the North West of England's leading sports complexes under FTFC UEFA coaches.





OUR

# *Co-curriculum*

It is our responsibility to encourage all of our children to embrace every aspect of School life.

## A young person's education extends beyond the classroom.

Alongside our varied and stimulating curriculum, we are proud to offer countless opportunities for children to develop their character and enrich their day. The activity programme is integrated into the School day, and pupils quickly become adept at managing their time and their commitments.

The scope of activities on offer is diverse and include Creative Writing, Italian for Beginners, Yoga and the Model United Nations.

Outdoor pursuits are also enjoyed through residential adventure camps, the Combined Cadet Force, the Duke of Edinburgh Award, field days and overseas expeditions as pupils progress through the Senior School and Sixth Form.



## The Duke of Edinburgh Award

The Duke of Edinburgh Award allows our pupils to challenge themselves, develop leadership skills and grow in confidence. The awards are achieved by completing a personal programme of activities in four sections (five if you are going for Gold) - Volunteering, Physical, Skills, Expedition, and for Gold, a Residential.



## Astronomy Centre

We are extremely proud to be the only school in the United Kingdom to have its own Astronomy Centre and Victorian Observatory.

Our Resident Astronomer, Dr Nick Lister, runs a fascinating series of lectures, lessons and talks for Rossall pupils and visitors to the School.



## CCF

We are tremendously fortunate to have a vibrant CCF and one that provides an invaluable dimension to School life, supporting the development of confidence, resilience, self-discipline and leadership skills. We are intensely proud that our contingent is the oldest Combined Cadet Force in the country, being founded in February 1860.



Families choose Rossall School because of the quality and variety of opportunities we offer. They choose us because of the warmth and richness of our community as well as the strong ethos and values of the school. Above all, we believe that they choose us because we develop young people with the confidence and desire to go out into the world and achieve good things. Evident from our many amazing alumni, Rossall is hugely successful at nurturing these character attributes and equipping young people with the skills, resilience and emotional intelligence necessary to make a resounding success of their lives.



A young man with blonde hair, wearing a dark blue school blazer with red piping and a red crest, a white shirt, and a blue patterned tie, is seated at a desk. He is looking down at a book or document. An adult male in a white shirt and dark tie is leaning over him, possibly assisting or supervising. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

*“Rossall is not only an amazing place to be while you are at the school, but be assured that taking the Rossall name with you into your future opens countless doors, and you never truly stop being a Rossall student. So many Old Rossallians are still active members of the school community, and looking at past students it is not difficult to see that being a Rossall student truly prepares you for the challenges you will face in the future, and you can be confident that, stepping out into the ‘real world’, if you have made the most of all Rossall has to offer, you will be ready.”*

**ROSSALL SCHOOL CAPTAINS**



# Rossall

INSPIRING EXCELLENCE

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