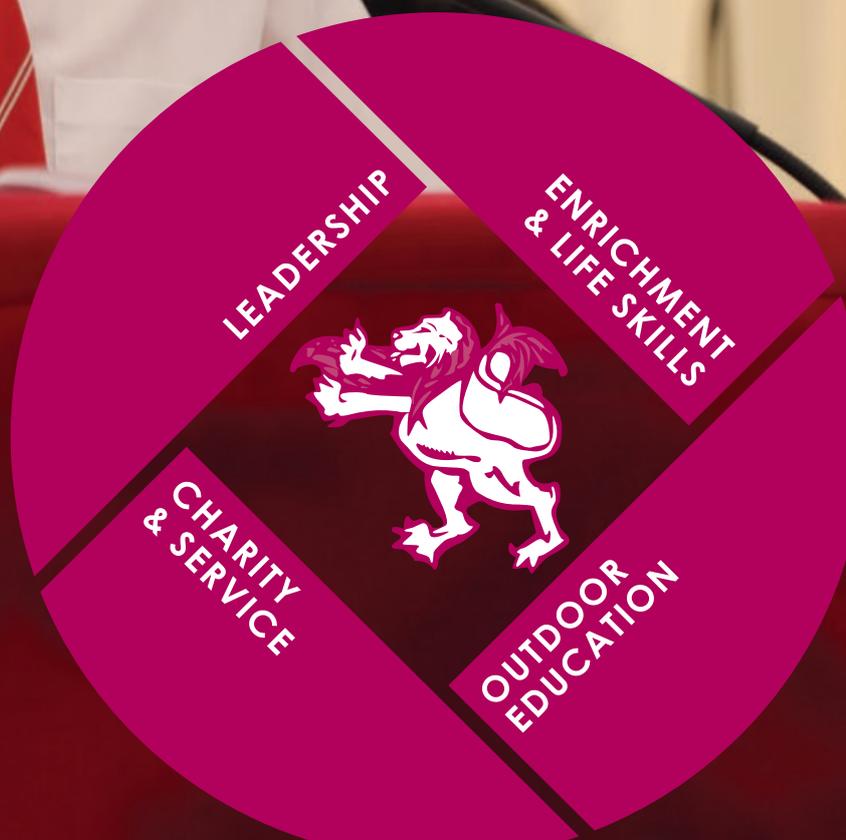


A BESPOKE TWO YEAR COURSE FOR PUPILS IN YEARS 7 AND 8

EDGE  GROVE
BACCALAUREATE







LEADERSHIP

- Working as team leaders and team members
- Effective communication skills
- How to think critically and creatively
- Attitudes/values of caring and inspirational leaders
- Metacognitive/self-reflection skills
- Conflict resolution

ENRICHMENT & LIFE SKILLS

- Positive thinking
- Concentration
- Stress management
- Team spirit
- Effective communication
- Time management
- Growth mindset
- Critical thinking
- Exam techniques
- Debating
- Public speaking
- Entrepreneurship

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

- Healthy lifestyle
- Outdoor activities
- Leadership skills
- Team building
- Bushcraft
- Risk-taking
- Confidence
- Map work

CHARITY & SERVICE

- Independence
- Initiative
- Self-motivation
- Global and local responsibility

The Edge Grove Baccalaureate - Course Overview

The Edge Grove Baccalaureate is a bespoke two year course followed by all pupils in Years 7 and 8. It is unique to Edge Grove and is designed to equip pupils with the skills and attributes required to flourish at Senior school and life beyond. It is studied alongside the standard curriculum but aims to enhance those studies by encouraging pupils to adopt Edge Grove's Guiding Principles throughout their learning to become accomplished, confident and resilient young people.

Each pupil keeps a journal of their studies and reflects on their development through self-evaluation. Personal tutors will, of course, oversee individual's progress.

Pupils' progress and achievement are recognised through a system of continuous assessment and at the end of the two years each pupil will gain the Edge Grove Baccalaureate Award with either a Pass, Merit or Distinction.

Areas of Study

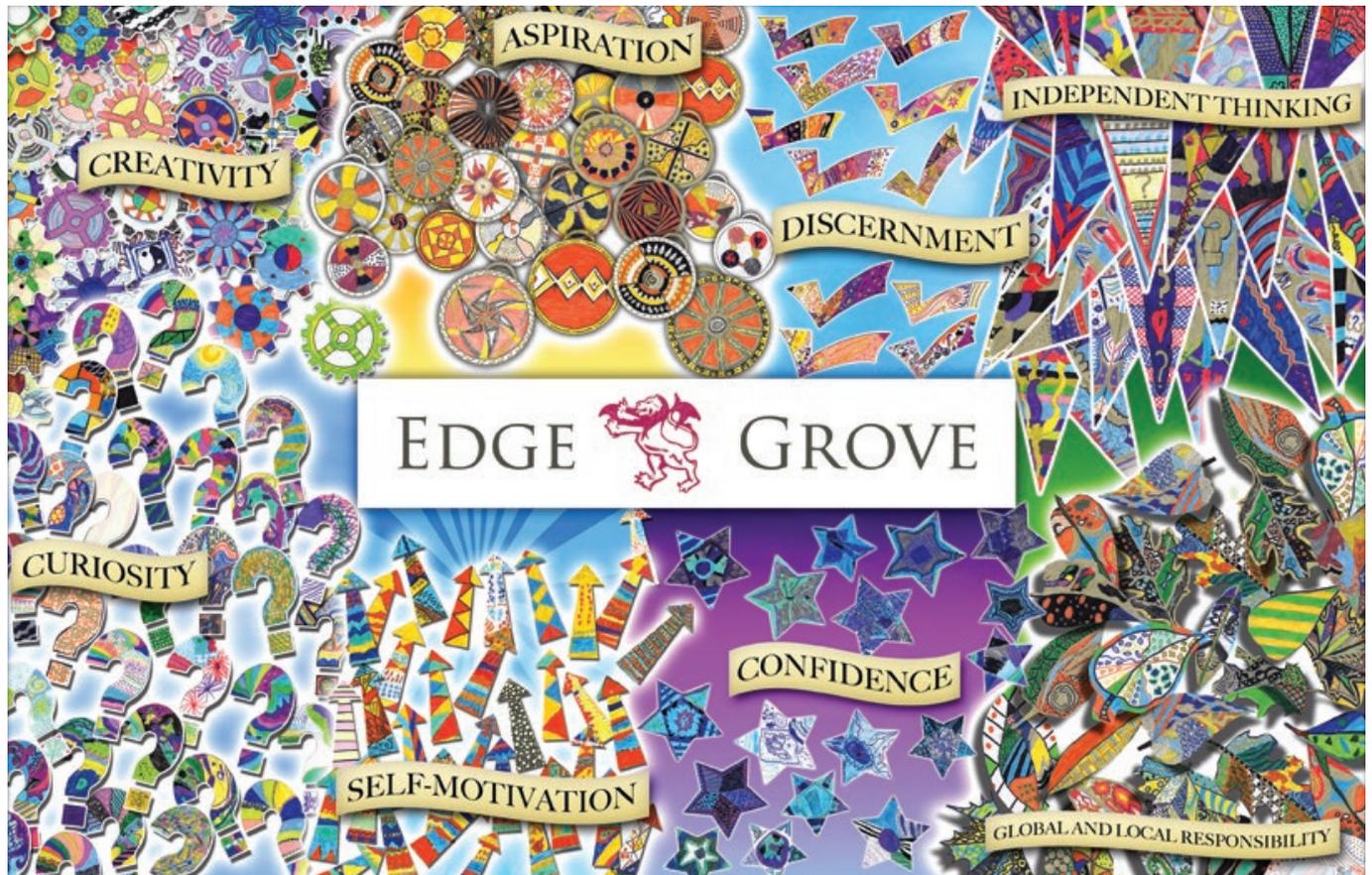
The Edge Grove Baccalaureate will cover four areas of study:

AREAS OF STUDY – YEAR 7 AND YEAR 8	HOW IT WILL BE STUDIED	SKILLS/ KNOWLEDGE ACQUIRED
LEADERSHIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 modules for each year group taught in weekly sessions of 50 minutes throughout the year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working as team leaders and team members • Effective communication skills • How to think critically and creatively • Attitudes/values of caring and inspirational leaders • Metacognitive/ self-reflection skills • Conflict resolution
ENRICHMENT & LIFE SKILLS (INCLUDING ENTREPRENEURSHIP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-termly workshops (3 hours) from E-Cube (training partner providing workshops aimed at equipping pupils with the skills required to manage the challenges of today's complex society) • A combination of the teaching of growth mindset (one term), critical thinking, exam techniques, debating and public speaking • Visiting speakers and trips (one per term) • A boarding experience with a difference! • Young Enterprise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive thinking • Concentration • Stress management • Team spirit • Effective communication • Time management • Growth mindset • Critical thinking • Exam techniques • Debating • Public speaking
OUTDOOR EDUCATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities to take place twice per term to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orienteering • Climbing • Expedition Training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy lifestyle • Outdoor activities • Leadership skills • Team building • Bushcraft • Risk-taking
CHARITY & SERVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involvement in the school-based charity programmes • Pupils will also be required to pursue their own charitable activities and demonstrate independence, initiative and self-motivation. This can be achieved individually or as part of a group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independence • Initiative • Self-motivation

Edge Grove Guiding Principles

Our Guiding Principles are the foundations on which we base teaching, learning and social development at Edge Grove. The eight principles were created and produced collaboratively by our pupils and staff as a whole school project. These Guiding Principles are on display in the heart of the

school and serve to remind the whole community of our common purpose and goals. Pupils are encouraged to adopt the Guiding Principles throughout their Edge Grove Baccalaureate learning journey to become accomplished, confident and resilient young people.



Assessment

Assessment will be through continuous self-evaluation of the course elements, completion of all modules and a bi-annual oral/video presentation to parents, senior staff and Governors.

At the end of Year 7, pupils will present in groups to their parents on all aspects of the Bacculaureate programme for the year. They will be assessed for content, presentation, teamwork and leadership skills as well as communication and confidence.

At the end of Year 8, pupils will take part in a professionally run conference which will involve independent research, writing of abstracts and papers and a presentation to parents and Governors. The Year 8 Expedition Week (involving a stay away from home) will also be used as the final assessment of the Leadership and Outdoor Education elements.

The Edge Grove Bacculaureate Award

At the end of Year 8, pupils will be awarded their Bacculaureate Award. Each pupil will be graded in English, Maths, Languages (French & Latin), Science, Humanities, Creative Arts, Technology and Physical Education. As well as this, pupils will be assessed for the 'character qualities' that Senior schools are looking for,

which will have been developed through the Edge Grove Bacculaureate programme: Leadership & Independent Learning, Teamwork, Communication and Critical Thinking. Senior school testimonials will include the Bacculaureate Award result for each pupil.



The Edge Grove Bacculaureate Prize

On Speech Day, the highest scoring pupil will be awarded the Edge Grove Bacculaureate Cup.

2017/18 Winner of the
Edge Grove
Baccalaureate Cup



"For me the Edge Grove Baccalaureate was not just about academic achievements but also about developing those skills which would equip me for both Senior school and beyond. I enjoyed every moment but my favourite activity was taking part in the inaugural Edge Grove Baccalaureate Conference on Britain's Health. It gave me the opportunity to work closely with a partner to research a live issue and then to stand up in front of an audience, present our findings and even answer questions on our chosen topic. Overall the Baccalaureate has given confidence in my leadership and teamwork skills which I have already put to good use in my first term at my new Senior school."

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More Information

If you would like more information on the Edge Grove Bacculaureate please email headmaster@edgegrove.com

"I am so pleased that my son has embraced the Edge Grove Bacculaureate. It is wonderful to see him brimming with ideas and so motivated to turn those ideas into reality."

Year 8 Parent

"The fact that the Edge Grove Bacculaureate enables the children to develop and demonstrate skills beyond the traditionally examined core subjects is one of the things that gives me confidence that my boys are at the right school."

Year 8 Parent

"I would like to express my sincerest admiration to all of the children who participated in the running of mini businesses at this year's Christmas Fair. I was blown away by their entrepreneurial spirit and how confident and professional they all were."

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