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Parmiter's

Parmiter's school owes its origin to the legacy of Thomas Parmiter, silk merchant and Gentleman of Bethnal Green, and his will of 1681. From modest beginnings as "one free school house" for "ten poor children", Parmiter's school grew to become a thriving boys' grammar school, with a proud reputation as "the Eton of the East End."

In 1977, the school relocated to Hertfordshire and in the process became a co-educational school whilst retaining its strong links to Bethnal Green and its tradition of providing educational excellence.

The school receives the financial support of the Parmiter's Foundation Charity whose resources are dedicated to the enhancement of educational provision for our students in the spirit of Thomas Parmiter's bequest.

Thos Parmiter,
1681

Tradition

Headmaster's Welcome

An excellent school commits itself to develop the whole child such that he or she aspires to become the very best that they can possibly be. Parmiter's students exude confidence and commitment because they receive excellent teaching, excellent care as well as excellent guidance to prepare them for whatever walk of life they wish to pursue.

Academic attainment is exceptional at Parmiter's but we view education as far broader than that. Our students also learn through their engagement in a multitude of extra-curricular activities that build character.

We believe character is best developed through team work and nurtured within our Parmiter's family. Each student joins one of our six Houses and thus commits not just to their individual success but to that of their peers and classmates. This sense of interdependence lasts beyond their time with us as they become life-long members of the Old Parmiterians (Bethnal Green and Garston) community.



The true hallmark of Parmiter's is the high quality of the relationships between adults and students right across the school. I believe that is evident from the moment you walk through our doors. I strongly encourage you to make a visit and see for yourself and look forward to welcoming you to our school.

Michael Jones
Headmaster

Diversity and a respect for individuality is a real strength of Parmiter's. Our student body is drawn from a wide area beyond Garston that encompasses much of Hertfordshire and Greater London. Many students arrive here as the sole representative from their Primary school and yet soon feel at home in the Parmiter's family.

The House system is a cherished tradition and the source of much friendly rivalry amongst students. Named after benefactors and significant figures in the school's history, a student's House provides opportunities for team building and appreciation of interdependence; a respect for individual strengths and for the strengths of others.

Individuality is celebrated within a culture of mutual respect and tolerance. We are a traditional school with high standards of conduct, uniform and punctuality or what we see as traditional good manners. We trust our students and recognise that making mistakes is a huge part of growing up as well as of academic learning. All we ask of each Parmiterian is that they strive to give their best in all areas of school life.



The Parmiterian Journey



Success is an attitude

Such is the range of opportunity at Parmiter's that it cannot be contained within the simple remit of the school day. Aside from timetabled lessons, additional courses are offered after school for those with specialist interests as are a host of clubs. The school is alive with activity long after the end of school bell as well as at weekends and holidays.

Teachers are passionate about their areas of expertise and offer a wide variety of trips and visits both home and abroad. Such opportunities enable staff to share their enthusiasm with our students and stimulate the sense of wonder that an excellent education provides.

The school prides itself on the excellence offered in all areas of curriculum life. The focus is always on the practical and creative application of skills and techniques.

Parmiterians have inquisitive minds and seek to discover how things work, question received opinions and make their own evidence based judgements about the world. The freedom to make mistakes and to learn from them enables our students to become confident and articulate young men and women ready to take the next step in their journey beyond school.



This ethos of service is fundamental to Parmiter's. We believe that developing leadership is central to this because leadership is the highest and most noble form of service any one can perform.

It is expected that at some stage during their time at Parmiter's every student will take on a leadership role and responsibility. This may be as captain of one of our many sporting, artistic or entrepreneurial teams, mentor to younger students or as a representative on our Student Congress.

*Nemo Sibi
Nascitur*

— *The school's motto: Nemo sibi nascitur translates as
"No one is born to him or herself alone".*

Sixth Form

Most Parmiterians continue their journey into our exceptional Sixth Form and many new students choose to join the school to complete their A Level studies here. As with the transition from Primary school, new students bond quickly with their peers and become instant members of the Parmiter's family.

The focus is on the transition from school to adult life whether that is a move to university, an apprenticeship or the world of work. Parmiter's offers a distinct enrichment programme that not only supports the transition beyond school but enables students to learn from experienced professionals from many of the UK's major institutions – from the Bank of England to the National Health Service.

Independence, resilience and a genuine work ethic are all hallmarks of Sixth Form Parmiterians who are role models for younger students across the school.



Old Parmiterians

Parmiterians develop a love of life-long learning and thus it is no surprise that so many attain such exceptional academic results. Aside from progressing to the country's top universities, our ex-students find work within the top companies and institutions both in the UK and abroad.

Former students, affectionately known as Old Parmiterians, play an active part in school life. Whether they originally hail from London's East End or closer to Garston, they feel a strong attachment to their school and keep in regular contact. They also provide a rich source of advice and guidance as leading figures from all walks of life who return to their school to meet and mix with current students.





Realistic Fiction

This type of story happens in the real world. The characters are realistic. The story is about the events that happen in the real world.

Science

This type of story is about the world of science. The characters are realistic. The story is about the events that happen in the world of science.

Horror

This type of story is about the world of horror. The characters are realistic. The story is about the events that happen in the world of horror.

Romance

This type of story is about the world of romance. The characters are realistic. The story is about the events that happen in the world of romance.



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