

Welcome to Cecil Jones Academy

Dear Year 6s, soon to be Year 7s; welcome to Cecil Jones Academy. I am Ellie and today I will be talking about my experience within the school. I am currently in my 6th year at Cecil Jones, studying Biology, Chemistry and English Literature at A-levels.

I know this next step is frightening, but I am here to reassure you that it is a very positive experience. I know that when I was starting Year 7 I had so many worries about leaving my friends behind and making new ones, but the structure of learning enabled me to talk to new people and form new friendships within the first day. It can be hard adjusting to new surroundings, but other students and teachers are always around to help you if you need it. By engaging in my lessons, it made learning very exciting and I began to feel comfortable and I made friends very quickly, as well as finding new interests in my subjects. I began to witness my love for English, Science and History, which enabled me to look forward to all of my lessons. Throughout my time at Cecil they have aided me in building my confidence, independence and responsibility to thrive within the learning space. All of which have prepared me for the future.

A wide variety of subjects can be studied here at Cecil, these include: History, Geography, Science, Art and Design, Spanish and for the first time in four years, Triple Science. You will be able to test these lessons and choose which of them you have an interest for, and you may even get an idea about what you want to do for a career. We have many specialist teachers who are suited to the various subjects and will enable you to enjoy all of the subjects, as well as make your working atmosphere very positive. The library at the school allows you to do wider reading for subjects and take any books out that take your interest. This can help develop your imaginations and love for reading a wide range of genres.

Since Cecil Jones Academy joined the Loxford School Trust 2 years ago, the quality of our education has improved dramatically; classes became an enthusiastic and positive environment for us to work and thrive in. Our learning experience became more exciting, helping us believe more in the education system and what we could achieve. We were rewarded with trips to help boost our interests and to widen our knowledge of life outside of school. Our work flourished within this setting. We were being given the chance to push ourselves and all of our hard work wouldn't go unnoticed. This enabled us to strive for the top grades, which would help us go onto further education. I even had the chance to study an additional GCSE in RE in one year.

The lessons brought to us by our teachers deliver many aspects that engage us such as challenging tasks to help us think and cool techniques to help us remember lots of information. The teachers are always willing to give us an extra hand if we don't understand particular topics and will always help you get back on the right path.

I have not only made friendships with other students, but with my teachers as well, who are invested in helping us achieve our goals and aspirations for the future, making them a reality. I enjoy every lesson even if they are easy or hard, the teachers will always challenge you so that you can reach your full potential.

Thank you very much for listening and I hope you enjoy your experience at Cecil Jones Academy like I have.