

## <u>Upper School Overview Statement</u>

In Upper School we prepare the students for life beyond school, whatever their specific needs may be. The curriculum in the Upper school changes from the Middle School to reflect the change in emphasis in preparing our young people for life beyond school. We want them to be confident, independent and responsible individuals who feel equipped to make informed choices about their futures. We consolidate students' prior study and aim to broaden and develop previous skill and develop the students' ability to interpret and understand a variety of forms of communication in a social context.

There is particular emphasis on developing communication, independence and life skills in preparation for adult life. In the Upper school we provide the skills and knowledge needed to manage everyday routines and procedures. We celebrate success and achievement and all our students leave with ASDAN accreditation based on their personal learning pathway. Our students leave the department confident and prepared for the next challenges and opportunities ahead of them.