



RIVER ACADEMY

News Stream

Project Update



Establishing a new school is very much a team effort and the project team responsible for establishing River Academy draws on a wide range of skills and expertise that exists within Maiden Erlegh Trust and also from our professional advisers.

I would like to publicly acknowledge the sterling contribution of our team who have been working hard behind the scenes, leading on various workstreams including curriculum design, building design, ICT procurement, marketing and much more, to ensure that the school is ready for young learners moving into Year 7 from September 2024.

I am also particularly thankful for the support we have received from Brighter Futures for Children and also AMR Consult, Bowmer and Kirkland and the DfE who have expertly interpreted our requirements and turned them into a superb design concept for what will undoubtedly be a delightful place to learn and work.



The ethos of River Academy is firmly focused on supporting young people to develop the personal attributes needed to be successful citizens in today's modern world. We will strive to support every student to believe in the value of community and respect, to develop the desire to excel, to foster the ability for empathy and always be determined to improve and progress. We will have high expectations of our young learners both in terms of their studies and as individuals and in return we will provide them with opportunities to improve, to grow and to discover.

We believe that our children and young people thrive in environments where "opportunity, diversity and success" are seen as positive and achievable for each and everyone, and where they are nurtured as individuals.

If you would like to contribute to the work we are doing at River Academy we would be delighted to hear from you. Please see details below of a public consultation that will be taking place shortly where we invite you to share your views and feedback into the project. We look forward to hearing from you.



Jonathon Peck
Chief Executive Officer

Consultation



Your views are important to us.

Maiden Erlegh Trust is consulting on its proposal to open a new free school in Reading. The consultation period runs from **12:00 noon on Wednesday 24 May to 12 noon on Wednesday 12 July** and as part of this we will be hosting two public information events.

These events will be held on:

- **Wednesday 21 June**
- **Monday 26 June (virtual)**



Further information about the consultation and events, can be found on our website **HERE**.



CGI School Fly-through

Bowmer and Kirkland have supplied a CGI fly-through of our new school giving us the opportunity to see exactly what River Academy will look like when it opens next year.

To access it, please click on the **play button** below.



Vacancies

It's never too soon to start looking for great people to work at our school.

Schools run by Maiden Erlegh Trust attract the highest calibre of staff and governors and we will be looking for the brightest and best to work for the benefit of the students at River Academy.

If you think you can offer something special, whether on a paid or voluntary basis, please get in touch by sending an expression of interest to: recruitment@maidenerleghtrust.org

Vacancies within the Trust can be found on the website.



About Maiden Erlegh Trust

Our Trust motto is **“schools for the community, schools as a community”** as our aim is that every school in our Trust, whilst espousing our values and ethos, and having a core of common policies and procedures, will serve its own community's needs in a bespoke way and also create a feeling of community within its own school. In that way all the potential and talents of every child and every member of staff will be nurtured.

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