



# Ark Soane Academy



Opening  
2021

## Principal's Welcome

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Welcome to Ark Soane Academy, a new, non-selective secondary school opening in Ealing in September 2021.

Ark has opened four new schools in North London in the last ten years (King Solomon Academy, Ark Academy, Ark Isaac Newton Academy and Ark John Keats Academy) and all have been judged Outstanding by Ofsted.

Ark Soane aims to continue with this tradition, and like all Ark schools is formed around six core ideas:

- Excellent behaviour
- A curriculum that enables student mastery of learning so all students can achieve exceptional results
- High quality teaching
- Development of student character and forming strong habits
- Raising student aspirations so they seek to achieve to their fullest potential
- Developing our teachers to become leaders in education.

Ark Soane Academy will be a school where children are supported by dedicated, caring adults to fulfil their potential. A challenging curriculum, well taught, with teachers who are curriculum experts and know students' individual strengths and areas for development, will ensure children leave Soane qualified to enter the best universities, or pursue their careers of choice.

We believe in the limitless potential of children and their power to shape their futures. Our curriculum will provide a solid foundation to develop students' knowledge and provoke their curiosity and interest in further study.

A programme of enrichment built into our longer school day will enable all pupils to broaden their horizons and discover their passions.

The learning environment at Ark Soane Academy will be calm and purposeful; a place where pupils develop habits for success and become kind, caring individuals who are self-motivated, self-disciplined, driven to excel, and keen to help others succeed. We will expect all pupils to work hard and behave impeccably to maximise their time for learning.

Our founding cohort of 180 year 7 students will benefit from being the only year group in our first year, and have the opportunity to build something unique and lasting in Ealing. If the idea of a school with high standards of behaviour and a challenging academic curriculum to enable all students to excel appeals to you, please come along to our open events to find out more.

Matt Neuberger,  
*Principal, Ark Soane Academy*





## Vision

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We have a very clear vision for Ark Soane. We will have the highest expectations of students both academically and in terms of their conduct. We will uphold these high standards with love and care. Student behaviour must be impeccable, so teachers can teach effectively and with energy. A rigorous curriculum full of cultural capital will ensure all children can achieve their full academic potential. All adults will expect all children to be able to achieve top grades in external examinations, regardless of their starting points, and will work “smart” and efficiently to ensure they do. Along with academic success, Soane pupils will become kind individuals, who wish to improve the world around them, and who take full responsibility for their choices, recognising that only their choices can change their futures.

*100% of Ark's  
new schools that have  
been inspected by  
Ofsted are rated good  
or outstanding.*







## *What you can expect from Ark Soane*

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- An outstanding, state of the art, new building and facilities
- A new staff team, highly qualified, all united behind the same vision
- A longer school day with more time for learning the core curriculum
- An extensive enrichment programme to expand the creative, technological and sport curricula
- A new start school which provides more leadership opportunities for younger students as the school develops
- A simplified and rigorous academic curriculum model with a well-structured timetable, which means that all students study English, maths and science every day.



## *Our Building*

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### **Year 1 facilities**

Our first school building will be open and ready for use for September 2021. This will contain 11 classrooms, an art room, music practice rooms, a theatre (which will double as our PE studio, dining and assembly hall), library and science laboratory. We will have a courtyard area to use during break and lunchtime, and additional outdoor space for PE.

### **Year 2 facilities**

Our second, larger, building will be completed in the summer of 2022, in time for our first cohort of students reaching year 8. When complete Ark Soane students will have access to:

- State of the art science labs and DT workshops
- Extensive sports facilities including a 4 court sports hall, an activity studio, a fitness gym and MUGA
- Specialist art, drama and music facilities including a music composing suite and practice rooms
- A large performance space including bleacher seating and AV system
- A spacious dining hall with dedicated kitchen for preparing all meals and snacks

## Admissions

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Ark Soane Academy is a co-educational, non-selective, non-denominational secondary school, opening in September 2021 in Ealing.

The school will welcome its first cohort of 180 Year 7 pupils in September 2021 and fill by a year group each year until reaching its full capacity of 1,200 pupils in 2027, including 300 sixth form places.

The local authority will process applications outside the normal local authority process for coordinating school offers. This means you will need to complete your LA common application form for your other choices of school in addition to a separate application for Ark Soane.

To apply to Ark Soane please visit [www.arksoane.org](http://www.arksoane.org) or email [info@arksoane.org](mailto:info@arksoane.org)

## Contact

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## Location

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Ark Soane Academy will be situated at Mill Hill Rd, London, W3 8JH (formerly the site of Acton College)

