

# Independent Schools

## Another record year for the



### Developing your child's full potential

INDEPENDENT schools pride themselves on developing the full potential of each student whatever their ability.

Most have smaller classes than state schools and staff have the time to give pupils individual attention.

Independent schools are also accountable to parents. If you don't think your children are being educated properly, you'll place them elsewhere.

Because of this, independent

schools have to have very high standards and most are equipped with the most up-to-date facilities available.

Research has shown that the main reasons stated by parents for choosing independent schools include: small classes with individual attention, high standards of education and examination results, good discipline, encouragement of a responsible attitude to school work, development of social responsibility

and extra-curricular activities.

Parents also felt it was very important that a school encourages pupils to respect each other, pays close attention to individual pupils' well-being, insists on good manners, adapts teaching methods to the needs of each child, and encourages independent thinking.

These incredibly high standards have been reflected in this year's outstanding GCSE and A Level results.

### KINGSMEAD SCHOOL

Founded 1904

Wirral's only boarding and day school for children aged 2 - 16



### OPEN EVENING

Thursday 12th October 2006,  
6.30pm - 8.30pm

Infant, Junior, Senior and boarding departments open to visitors

Ring 0151 632 3156 for details and times when the Headmaster will speak to parents

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[www.kingsmeadschool.com](http://www.kingsmeadschool.com)

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### PRENTON PREPARATORY SCHOOL



Mount Pleasant, Oxton, Wirral CH43 5SY

Girls and Boys 2½ - 11 years)

Accredited by the Independent Schools Council

We have an ongoing enrolment policy for children aged 2½ to 4 years to join our Pre-School Department which was described as "a strength of the school" by I.S.I. in our recent inspection.

....Your Child's first step towards a brighter future



For an information pack please call the School Secretary on:  
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website: [www.prentonprep.co.uk](http://www.prentonprep.co.uk)

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## Birkenhead School



Early Years  
Boys and Girls 3mths-4



Prep Department  
Boys 5 - 11



Senior School  
Boys 11 - 18



Sixth Form  
Girls and Boys 16 - 18



## HESWALL PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Boys and Girls 3 to 11 years

### Where every day is an Open Day

Visitors are welcome at our Harvest Festival on Wednesday 4th October at 10.30am

Headmistress: Mrs M Hannaford BEd(Hons)

28 Quarry Road East, Heswall, CH60 6RB.  
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HMC Independent Day School

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SENIOR SCHOOL, PREP, PRE-PREP & NURSERY

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## independent sector

The Independent Schools Council (ISC) General Secretary, Jonathan Shephard, said: "There are formidably strong results this year that have been achieved by pupils with a wide range of academic ability."

"It is a fantastic result that the majority of entries are graded A or A\*. More importantly, nearly all children at ISC schools achieve five A\*-C passes including Maths and English; and the vast majority include a Science and a Modern Language as well."

ISC Chairman, Edward Gould, added: "Independent schools are delivering a rounded education, and in the process they continue to ensure the future supply of mathematicians, scientists and linguists."

"With a further year of record breaking results, the candidates, their teachers and supportive parents deserve warm congratulations on the achievements recorded."

Classes in many independent schools are smaller than in other types of school, particularly for the younger age groups between 5 and 13. This is when children are especially keen to learn, the foundations of a good education can be laid, and mistakes and learning difficulties are recognised and put right.

### Extra-curricular activities

Independent schools aim to develop the whole personality: the imaginative, practical, and physical as well as the academic. Music, art and drama flourish. Team games are encouraged as well as individual sports and indoor games and hobbies.

In order to survive, independent schools have to satisfy parents that they are good value for money.

Parents value what they pay for and are keen to encourage their children to do well.



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## Highfield School

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- Small Classes
- Motivated Pupils
- Dedicated Teachers
- Strong Curriculum
- Before and after school care

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**Avalon School**  
West Kirby

For Boys and Girls from 2 - 11 years  
Headmaster: Dr. B. Scott BSc



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Telephone: 0151 625 6993

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Avalon School, Caldby Road,  
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## Birkenhead High School

An Education For Life

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the **HAMMOND** school

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OPEN MORNING SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2006 - 10AM-1PM

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INSPIRING CONFIDENCE



### SIXTH FORM EVENING

Tuesday 10 October 2006  
From 6.30pm

### A level results 2006

Pass rate	<b>100%</b>
Grade A pass	<b>45%</b>
Grades A and B	<b>76%</b>
Grades A, B, C	<b>92%</b>

### FOUNDATION FUN DAY

Tuesday 10 October 2006  
for girls and boys  
aged 2 ½ - 5 years  
A fun learning experience  
10am - 3pm

For girls & Boys from 2½ to 7 years • Junior Department • Senior School • Sixth Form  
Contact the Admissions Secretary on 0151 652 5777 for more details  
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