



Open Arms Ltd – Our Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide a high quality, effective and inclusive alternative provision; providing educational and learning environments for challenging young people.

We offer alternative provision to include both full-time and part-time education for young people displaying a wide range of complex barriers to education, including those who are at risk of exclusion and those with social, emotional and mental health needs.

We provide children and young people aged 11 to 16 with alternative education in order for them to progress and succeed in sustained education or employment. We do this through high quality teaching and learning based on effective relationships that enable the achievement of life skills and meaningful qualifications.

Open Arms also provides full-time alternative education to secondary students with an emphasis on transition and re-engagement back into mainstream education or employment.

We support vulnerable young people with challenging behaviours to realise their full potential, achieve academic and vocational targets, and progress into education, training and employment.

Our ethos:

- **Places the health, safety, welfare and well-being of young person at the centre**
- **Challenges, supports and encourages everyone to do their best, building self confidence in learners in all aspects of their lives**
- **We are a caring learning community**
- **Promotes and achieves success, both collectively and with individual students and staff**
- **Encourages self-help, self-determination and self-improvement**
- **Promotes inclusion by collaborative working within the academy and equally with outside agencies and partners**
- **Expects courtesy and co-operation, where enterprise, initiative and transformation affect every area of school learning and school life**
- **To be at the centre of the community; a vibrant and welcoming learning centre**

Our aims and commitment:

- **To provide a stimulating and attractive learning environment**
- **To have high expectations of all young people**
- **To motivate through engaging, effective teaching To track progress and encourage learners to succeed**
- **To offer a wide range of sporting activities**
- **To maximise and celebrate achievement**
- **To work in partnership with families, feeder schools and the wider community.**