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# **School Aims**



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## EF Academy Torbay Mission

EF Academy opens a world of opportunities for high school students through a *superior education, thorough preparation for university and a future which knows no borders*

### 1. We deliver a superior education through

#### - **Effective learning experiences which**

Ensure our students are 'READY to learn' through consistent expectations applied in all lessons. Developing habits of learning which link to our 5 community values (through our learning wheel).

#### - **Personalised learning which**

Supports students with learning needs

Effectively monitors each learner using CAT4 Data as a benchmark, target grades and regular reviews

Delivers expert and challenging teaching

Provides specialist English Language tuition

Fosters individual growth through close professional relationships between staff and students

#### - **Enrichment in and beyond the classroom through**

Whole school enrichment days

Engaging educational trips

A wide range of clubs and societies

#### **We are enhancing our superior education through**

*The development of assessment, recording and reporting practice*

*Linking pastoral and academic concerns through Student Casework Group*

*Improving awareness of safeguarding and raising issues of concern.*

*Introducing systems & structures to support staff to enable effective school improvement*

*The development of the recommendations from our IB 5- year self-evaluation review*

### 2. We provide thorough preparation for University through

#### - **Effective, personalised university guidance based on**

A Personal pathway plan which helps to guide students towards their future university/career aspirations.



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Forging links between individual academic attainment and each student's university aspirations  
Extensive 1:1 expert university guidance.

Developing familiarity with how UK HE works through university visits, speakers and UCAS  
Higher Education Conventions  
Deploying our EF alumni to support current applicants

- **Support for the transition between school and university through**

Developing student awareness of independent learning in higher education  
Staff CPD on university teaching and learning  
Arriving and surviving talks to the Upper School  
Money and budgeting advice as part of University Guidance Programme  
Student Life presentations from university speakers

**We are enhancing our thorough preparation for university through**

*Developing closer partnerships with specific universities to aid our student progression*

*Developing an Oxbridge/G&T university application support programme*

*Developing the physical and online guidance resources available to support our students*

3. **We foster an ethos of a future without borders through**

- **A focus on global cultural awareness which**

Accepts and celebrates what diversity brings to the classroom  
Promotes open communication based on understanding and respect  
Listens to the student voice through the Student Council and various surveys throughout the academic year.

**We are enhancing our ethos of a future without borders through**

*Expanding our programme of assemblies to ensure that students are provided with more opportunities to consider and respond to international/global issues.*

*Introducing enrichment weeks into the curriculum for all students.*