

# **Bruche Primary Academy School Development**

We are excited to share that Bruche Primary, Warrington's highest-performing primary school, is expanding to become an all-through school, offering education from Nursery through to Year 11 (GCSEs) from September 2026.

This means that children will no longer have to move to a separate secondary school at age 11. Instead, they could continue their education in the same nurturing and high-achieving environment that has made Bruche such a special place to learn.

### What is An All Through School?

An all-through school is one that provides education for children from the early years all the way through to the end of secondary school.

Instead of moving to a separate secondary school at the end of Year 6, children continue their education in a familiar environment, with a consistent approach to learning and development. As an All Through school we can continue to provide support to a child through the transition into year 7 and beyond providing continuity and consistency.

## Is an All-Through School Right for My Child?

Every child is different, but many parents appreciate the stability and continuity that an all-through school provides. It removes the stress of applying for a secondary school place and allows children to grow in a familiar environment.

At the same time, all-through schools often develop strong links with the local community, offering children opportunities to interact across age groups and develop leadership skills.

## What Would Bruche Academy All Through School Look Like?

As an all-through school, we will provide a continuous and carefully planned learning journey, ensuring that children build on strong foundations right through to their GCSEs. Our approach will follow the national curriculum, with specialist teaching introduced as pupils move into secondary years.

By removing the disruption of a school transition at 11, we can maintain consistency in teaching, support, and expectations, helping pupils feel secure and confident as they progress.

At Bruche, we are incredibly proud of our culture of ambition, care, and excellence—values that will remain at the heart of our expanded school. We are committed to preserving the welcoming, community feel that has made us Warrington's top primary school, ensuring that every child is known, valued, and supported to achieve their best.

To support this exciting development, we are investing in state-of-the-art facilities, including:

- A brand-new sports hall to support PE, fitness, and extracurricular activities.\*
- An outdoor multi-use games area for football, netball, and other sports.\*
- A new dining space, giving pupils a high-quality, welcoming place to enjoy healthy meals.
- Dedicated rooms for drama and music, design technology, sciences and computing.

These additions will enhance learning and wellbeing for all ages, providing outstanding opportunities for both primary and secondary pupils.



### Why Choose an All-Through Education at Bruche?

High Standards, Proven Success – As Warrington's highest-performing primary school, we are committed to delivering outstanding education at every stage.

Familiar Faces, Consistent Support – Pupils remain in a trusted environment with staff who know them well, reducing anxiety and ensuring stability.

Strong Community Links – Families benefit from one school for all ages, making life simpler for parents and strengthening our school's sense of belonging.

Enriched Learning Opportunities – With access to new facilities, specialist teachers, and a broader curriculum, pupils can develop their interests and talents from early years to GCSEs.

In our recent consultation of adapting our Admissions Policy for entry from September 2026 we have understood how important retaining the nursery element is to the community and plan to finalise the changes to retain the 2 through 16 years age range as an All Through school.

#### Bruche Academy will be a gradual development

After the initial building and fitting is completed for September 2026, the first cohort of two forms (60 children) as Year 7 students will start. Thereafter, for 4 more years the school will gradually grow one year at a time until 2030/31 when years 7 to 11 will have 60 children per year. The new buildings situated where he empty premises currently are will form the Secondary focused area of teaching. A large reception and dining hall will bridge the two sides to the school and be shared across all years.

The Primary school will remain a one form entry, as it is now, and continue to operate to the current high standards. This will remain the main area for children up to year 6. Some space will be freed up in the Primary building as new facilities are created by forming one larger All Through School building, e.g. access to the new sports hall. Bruche Academy will remain part of Warrington Primary Academy Trust and benefit from the support, training and accountability currently provided.

## **Careful Planning to Share Space**

The students in Years 7 to 11 will have an earlier start and finish time than the Primary children to manage the movement of children and young people on the site. Separate entrances will be retained for Early Years, Primary and Secondary pupils. Meal times will be staggered by years and phases. Separate outdoor spaces will be retained for Primary and Secondary pupils.

## Be Part of Bruche's Future

This expansion marks an exciting new chapter for Bruche, allowing us to offer even more opportunities while staying true to the values that have made us such a thriving and successful school. If you would like to learn more about our transition an all-through school, touch to please get in via bruche.academy@bakermallett.com we would love to share our vision for the future with you.

#### Applications for places starting in Year 7 in September 2026 will be open in October 2025.

Our final plans are subject to the findings from the consultation and the obtaining of relevant permissions. We will broadcast our progress view the Bruche Primary Academy School website through 2025 and 2026: <u>https://brucheprimary.co.uk/about-us/bruche-academy-extension/</u>