

## Writing your Personal Statement

## Tips:

• Start off with a couple of short sentences about your character – eg. I am caring, hardworking and determined to achieve my best.

• Write about anything you

have been involved in at Avanti Fields School:

- Charity fundraising/buddying/ mentoring/school council/afterschool clubs/sports
- What does this show about you? eg. team player, caring, self-disciplined, organised etc.
- Include what your favourite subjects at school are and why.
- Include any achievements, certificates etc. that you have received.
- Write about what you do outside school:
  - Are you a member of a club/organisation/cadets/sports team?
  - What does this show about you? eg. teamwork, leadership, reliability, responsibility, commitment.
  - Do you look after others children, an elderly relative...? What does this show about you? eg. caring, trustworthy and helpful.
  - What do you enjoy doing? eg. socialising with friends/playing sports/cinema.

• Finish off with a statement about any future career plans. How will studying the course(s) you have applied for help you reach your goal?

## DON'T FORGET:

- Your personal statement will be seen by all the colleges that you apply for.

- Your **reason** for choosing each course will **only** be seen by the individual college you have applied to.

## **EXAMPLE**

**About You** - I am an honest, confident and ambitious student who enjoys learning and is resilient to challenges in and out of the classroom. My commitment to learning has been highlighted through my contributions in lessons and impeccable attendance.

At Avanti Fields School - Involvement in extracurricular activities makes up an interesting and rewarding aspect of my school life. During my time at Avanti Fields School I have represented my school in the netball team through which I have gained valuable teamwork and communication skills and made best friends. I have also thoroughly enjoyed partaking in drama through which I have represented the school at the Curve and at a Leicester schools drama competition in 2021. Dance has helped me to develop my time management skills as I had to balance my school workload with rehearsals and showcases. I have assisted year 7 and 8 students in improving their maths and reading through my roles as a maths ambassador and a reading buddy. I found this especially fulfilling as I could see the improvement in their skills. As a house captain I have also been able to help organise and take part in assemblies, build my confidence and organise fundraising events.



**Outside Avanti Fields School** I also enjoy being involved in my local community. From 2019 to 2020 I volunteered at Krishna Avanti primary school as an assistant in the football club. As part of my role I helped younger students improve their sports technique as well as improving my own leadership skill. I was also a part of the RAF cadets which I found extremely rewarding. I became first aid trained and gained a level 1 BTEC qualification in teamwork and personal skills. I was also able to take part in many charitable events, working with the PTFA I have helped in multiple activities; religious festivals and sporting events.

**Final Statement** - Currently, I am undecided on a career path however I believe by studying my chosen subjects at A level I will be able to learn more about subjects I am passionate in. Keeping my options open will help me in the future. When I have decided, I can complete further education in my chosen area.