



Wheatley Park School: The Technology and Enterprise Faculty

The faculty of Technology and Enterprise was formed in September 2014 and brings together the subjects of Business Studies, Computing and Design Technology. Teaching across the faculty takes place in a range of well equipped, pleasant rooms, all of which include a teacher computer and digital projector or screen. We have 3 dedicated IT suites and access IT across our school as part of our 1:1 Chromebook Programme. The team comprises of strong committed teachers (6 full time teachers, 1 part time teacher and 1 member of the Leadership Group) supported by dedicated Technology technicians. We work closely with IT Support and other non-teaching teams across the school. Each full time teacher in the team has their own classroom base.

We are proud to work in a faculty that values professionalism and dedication to our work. INSET and professional learning is important to us as a faculty and across the school. The Head of Faculty runs his own public Computing blog and all staff in the faculty contribute to a shared internal teaching and learning blog on a regular basis. A number of staff teach more than one subject within the faculty and there are opportunities for new colleagues to teach second subjects. We are committed to continuously improving the teaching and learning throughout our subjects resulting in students who are positive about their experiences in our faculty, leading to improving outcomes at all stages. Wheatley Park is a 'Google Reference' school and G Suite for Education is embedded as the default method for staff and students to create, collaborate and communicate. Our work extends beyond our faculty in several cases and this work is increasingly recognised outside of the school community.

Key Stage 3

Pupils are taught in mixed ability groups throughout Key Stage 3. Students have 2 lessons a fortnight of Computing and 3 lessons of DT. DT is taught on a rotation with students studying a module in Textiles, Food and Product Design each year.

Key Stage 4

Our Key Stage 4 courses are popular and we have some strong, and continually improving results. We currently offer courses in Business Studies, Computing, Food and Cookery, ICT, Product Design, and Textiles. All Key Stage 4 courses are taught in mixed ability groups with 5 lessons per fortnight.

Key Stage 5

A high (and growing) number of our students are successful at Key Stage 4 and continue their studies into Key Stage 5. We currently offer courses in Business Studies, Computing, Economics and Textiles.

We are incredibly proud of our faculty, our hard work and the resultant outcomes. Colleagues joining the faculty will be working in a dynamic, fast paced, and exciting faculty, at an exciting time in our journey. You are very welcome to visit us or contact us, we are more than happy to answer any of your queries.

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