



## **Wootton Academy Trust**

Wootton Upper School and Kimberley 16 - 19 College (in the nearby village of Stewartby). are both operated by Wootton Academy Trust [WAT]. The two institutions are 3 miles apart and linked by a shuttle bus.

WAT is ambitious and its vision is to provide outstanding education in all of its component parts.

Wootton Upper School, with 900 students across Years 9 -11, was rated good by Ofsted in November 2017. Results across the core subjects are very high. Its GCSE English and GCSE Science results in 2017 are well-above the national average. In Mathematics results are above the national average.

Kimberley 16 - 19 College has 400 students. It is rated as good by Ofsted with outstanding for Personal Development, Behaviour and Well-being. For the last two years the College has been in the Sunday Times list of the top 20 Sixth Form Colleges in the UK based on the proportion of students getting 2As and 1B or better in facilitating subjects. In 2017 Kimberley College was ranked as the 11th highest Sixth Form College in the UK.

## **The Mathematics Department**

The Mathematics Department has its own dedicated teaching block at Wootton Upper School and its own accommodation at Kimberley College for post-16. Our aim is that every student gains enjoyment from their study of Maths and will become fluent in the Maths skills necessary for life. The lessons we teach are dynamic, varied and interesting, with all students being challenged in a supportive environment. Teachers individualise their own lessons within the curriculum strand being taught. We have an electronic textbook as well as 'mathswatch' and 'mymaths'.

The Mathematics Department is extremely successful. Our GCSE 4+ rate is consistently above national (76% 2017) and our progress measures are positive. Some of our more-able students follow a course which leads to the AQA Level 2 Certificate in Further Maths. Mathematics is an extremely popular A Level subject with around 70 - 80 students taking it in Year 12 and between 15 - 20 taking A Level Further Mathematics.

In the Sixth Form, students study modules in Mechanics, and Statistics as well as Pure Mathematics.

The Department provides support to the teaching of Engineering and also runs courses leading to Free Standing Maths Qualifications. Many of our students go on to study Mathematics or related subjects at university.

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