



Wootton Academy Trust

Wootton Upper School and Kimberley 16 – 19 College are the two schools which make up Wootton Academy Trust. The Trust is considering whether it wishes to remain an independent small trust or alternatively to merge with another Trust. The current expectation is that the Trust is likely to merge with Sharnbrook Academy Federation to become part of a larger Multi Academy Trust. Assuming this merger takes place it is likely to occur during the second half of 2018.

Wootton Academy Trust is ambitious and its vision is to provide an outstanding education in all of its component parts.

Wootton Upper School has 900 students across Years 9 -11. It was rated as requires improvement by Ofsted in December 2015. There has been massive improvement since that point and the school expects to be rated good when it is re-inspected. Results across the core subjects are very high. Its GCSE English results in 2017 are outstanding. The school's 2017 Progress 8 score is expected to be 0.13.

Kimberley 16 – 19 College has 400 students. It is rated as good by Ofsted with outstanding for PDBW. It is one of the top twenty sixth form colleges in the UK based on the proportion of students getting 2As and 1B or better in facilitating subjects. (Sunday Times 2016)

The Religious Studies Department

RS is taught to all students in Years 9 -11. In Year 9 students have two hours per two-week timetable cycle. Students are taught in sets based on their ability in English. There is a locally agreed syllabus which is delivered. At GCSE students are taught AQA Religious Studies Specification A in sets based on their ability in English. Over the last three years results at A* - C have been between 52% - 68% for the entire cohort. At A level the legacy Edexcel specification is being taught to Year 13 and in Year 12 the new linear AQA Philosophy Specification has been introduced.

There are two-part time teachers of RS – who share the duties of the Head of Department. In addition, there is a full-time RS teacher. Other teachers in the Trust contribute to the teaching of the subject.

There is a Religious Studies base both at Wootton Upper School and another dedicated teaching room at Kimberley College. The Department is well resourced and all the individual Humanities Departments are very supportive of students and of each other. Therefore, the successful applicant will find themselves as a member of a hardworking, committed team. We are also very fortunate to be able to call in a specialist Religious Studies supply teacher whenever necessary which our current team of teachers find a great advantage. Pre visits to the school are welcome but not obligatory.