

## The South Wolds **Academy** and Sixth Form

## **Dear Parents and Carers**

I am delighted to invite you and your child to attend our Open Evening on Thursday September 16th 2021. Due to anticipated numbers attending this event, we are offering a choice of two Head teacher presentation slots to enable everyone to comfortably attend. You and your child are very welcome to join myself and the team in the main hall at either 5.45pm (last entry 5.40pm) or 6.45pm (last entry 6.40pm) to understand further why South Wolds is the perfect choice for you. Our campus will be accessible to tour from 6pm and everywhere is open. South Wolds is a fantastic school and I know you will be impressed by the staff and the students you meet during the evening.

There is so much to be excited about at South Wolds. Our students have just achieved a fantastic set of exam results. 2021 A-level results show that our students have yet again achieved a 100% pass rate and 22% of all of these grades were A\*. Indeed, nearly half of all grades achieved were A\* and A grade. GCSE results show 84% of students achieved Grade 4 and above in English and maths, with Grade 4 and above for 90% across all subjects. Indeed, 20% of students achieved at least 7 Grades 7s to 9s. This means that we have performed strongly yet again within the Rushcliffe area.

Our strong academic performance is important but it does not define our school. Our students have opportunities to participate in extra-curricular activities, educational visits and foreign exchanges and we cannot wait to resume these following the last 18 months! We run a strong programme of opportunities in sport, dance, music and art; all students have the opportunity from Year 9 to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh programme and our careers programme is nationally recognised as outstanding.

South Wolds' dedicated inclusion team work with parents, teachers and students to remove any obstacles to success. We insist on very high standards of behaviour in lessons and around the school site - our priority is to ensure that every student is able to enjoy learning and feel safe in school.

We are a founding member of the East Midlands Education Trust alongside The West Bridgford School. This partnership presents many exciting opportunities for our students and will help us secure an excellent education for our community for many years to come.

We also have exciting plans to share with you regarding a £1.6 million investment in the academy's campus so during the evening please look out for plans for our new teaching block for 2022.

I do hope you are able to join us on the 16<sup>th</sup> September. However, if you are unable to do so, or you would just like to see the school in action during the day, please contact the school office on 0115 9373506 who will make an appointment for myself or someone from the Senior Leadership Team to show you around at a time suitable to you. You can find more information about us on the school website at www.southwolds.co.uk as well as a link to our prospectus to give you a flavour of life at South Wolds.

I am looking forward to meeting you and working with you to secure the very best education for your child in the coming years.

Yours sincerely

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