



The Wisbech Academy



A valued member of the

Brooke Weston Trust



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Welcome

Thank you for your interest in The Wisbech Academy. We are delighted that you are considering an application for our school.

As a small school we offer a welcoming and nurturing environment where each student is known and valued. We foster a sense of belonging so that everyone in our school community can thrive.

We believe that with great teaching and a supportive environment all students can achieve their potential. Every student deserves the opportunity to excel in science and maths, the subjects that shape our world and our future. Through the delivery of an engaging and broad curriculum, with a Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) focus, the school fosters a 'can do' belief. Our exciting, enjoyable, and engaging curriculum emphasises academic achievement. Our aim is to provide an education that helps students develop their character as well as achieving qualifications that will give them choices and opportunities when they leave school.

We know that parents and carers play a vital role in their children's education, and we are committed to working in partnership with you.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Wisbech Academy.

Dr Rachel Lawrence-Byron | Associate Principal



Our Vision

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The vision for The Wisbech Academy is summarised in our **three academy values** that we use to guide us in everything that we do in the academy:

Flourishing community

We think community is important, and we put time and effort into building positive relationships in our school. We treat everyone with respect and kindness. We value each person in our community and believe that each one of us has an important contribution to make.

Great teaching every day

We believe that the most important thing that we can do to give our students a great education is to deliver great teaching every day. We use the best available evidence from research to help us do this, and we are always on the lookout for ways to improve.

Learning beyond the curriculum

We understand that learning does not just happen in the classroom. We work with the local and wider community to create learning opportunities that encourage our students to be curious about the world around them, and to love learning.

Our School

Creating a vibrant environment that inspires our students to achieve their best



At The Wisbech Academy, part of the Brooke Weston Trust, we are thrilled that we have been able to open our doors earlier than planned due to the high demand for school places in North Cambridgeshire.

Initially, we are operating from a designated area within Thomas Clarkson Academy, providing our students with a supportive and enriching environment as we prepare for our future.

We are excited about our plans for a modern temporary building, which we expect to transition into later this academic year. Looking ahead, our permanent facility is projected to open in 2026, ensuring that our students will have access to state-of-the-art learning spaces.

We are actively working with Cambridgeshire County Council and the Department for Education to ensure that both our temporary and permanent buildings are completed as quickly as possible. Our commitment is to create a vibrant educational environment that meets the needs of our community and inspires our students to achieve their best.

The School Day

The academy day starts at 8:30am and is divided into five 60 minute lessons with breakfast and lunch breaks. All students spend 30 minutes per day with their form tutor.

Tutorial	8:30-9:00
Period 1	9:00-10:00
Period 2	10:00-11:00
Breakfast break	11:00-11:25
Period 3	11:25- 12:25
Period 4	12:25-13:25
Lunch break	13:25-14:00
Period 5	14:00-15:00
Period 6	Extra-curricular activities

Our Curriculum

Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9)

In the early years of our students' academic journey, we aim to provide a well-rounded and comprehensive education that not only lays a strong foundation in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) but also nurtures a broad range of skills and interests.

The curriculum at Key Stage 3 is designed to foster curiosity, critical thinking, and creativity. Students study:

- English
- Science
- Geography
- Design Technology
- Drama
- Religion Philosophy and Ethics (RPE)
- Character Education
- Personal, Social and Health Education (PE)
- Maths
- History
- French
- Art
- Music

Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11)

As students progress to Key Stage 4, we will continue to offer a broad and balanced curriculum. Our specialism in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, will enable us to offer additional opportunities to our students including:

- Specialist Science and Mathematics Courses:**
GCSE courses in physics, chemistry, biology, and mathematics will be offered and will be tailored to challenge, and will inspire students who exhibit a keen interest and aptitude in these areas.
- Technology and Engineering Pathways:**
Students will choose specialised pathways in technology and engineering, delving into advanced topics like computer science, electronics, and advanced engineering principles.
- Preparation for Further Education and Careers:**
We will provide guidance and support for students considering higher education or careers in STEM fields, including mentorship, work experience opportunities, and college/career readiness programs.



Admissions

The academy will review all applications submitted by **31st October 2024**. Offers for placements will be communicated on **3rd March 2025**.

If there are fewer applications received than places, the academy will offer places to all those who have applied. If the academy receives more applications than it has spaces, the oversubscription criteria will be applied. Please refer to the academy's Admissions Policy on our website for further information. We are delighted to invite prospective families into the academy to see the school in action.

Brooke Weston Trust



Proven track record:
Over 30 years of making a difference

The Wisbech Academy is a valued member of the Brooke Weston Trust

Our mission at the Brooke Weston Trust (BWT) remains steadfast and unwavering – **'to transform educational performance in the communities where we work to improve student achievement by removing the barriers to learning and providing opportunities for personal development.'**

Lead by our CEO Dr Andrew Campbell for a decade, we have maintained a long-term commitment to high-quality education since 2008. BWT is a family of schools, each with its own unique character, meeting the needs of the local communities we serve.

Our values reflect our culture of high expectations and ambition for all – each of our employees is asked to consider 'is this good enough for my child' when making decisions that affect the students in our care.

Our schools, both Primary and Secondary, are based across Northamptonshire and Cambridgeshire and as of 2023, all are Ofsted rated as good or better. We work together collaboratively sharing best practice and new ideas, our strengths, and talents to achieve the best for your children, both in education opportunities and enhancing life chances for every one of our young people, encouraging and nurturing their ambitions and potential.

Over each academic year, there are so many opportunities for our students to meet, compete, celebrate their successes, grow, and develop in amazing ways to enter the world as adults who are enabled to shape their own futures.

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