



At Shire Oak Academy, we will invest in you and support you to reach your potential. As a school we are only as good as the people we work with and to ensure that we get the best from our young people, we need to make sure that we also get the best from our staff. Relationships matter and this is at the heart of what we do every day in our school and as one of 12 schools within the Mercian Trust.

Shire Oak Academy is not the easier school to work in currently, but we encourage you to visit to see we are far more than our most recent Ofsted report. We have a new Leadership Team, led by experienced Headteacher Matthew Everett and we would welcome applications from those wishing to join us on the exciting journey that Shire Oak is currently on. We are a community secondary school in Walsall Wood and proud of our inclusivity. Our ethos is built upon #BeIncredible and we accept that young people are going to make mistakes, but through positive interactions and support we will help to ensure that they fall less often and can reflect and learn from their mistakes and #BeIncredible in all that they do. Through our House System, and form tutors, we provide the care and support that is needed for all individuals and their families, including healthy competition. Everyone within the academy is expected to be an active member of their house, students and staff alike!

As well as offering a knowledge rich curriculum, which includes the full spectrum of creative subjects, we also offer an extensive enrichment and extra-curricular programme. Our drama shows are as good as what you would see in the local theatres, our sports teams are committed and driven taking part in local and regional competitions, and our wide array of trips provide awe and wonder for our young people. If there is an opportunity to improve the cultural capital of our young people, we will always be open to ideas.

The design of our building is unique, a huge campus at the highest point in Walsall with incredible views and huge open spaces, with top of the range facilities, including sport, technology and photography spaces.

Come and see what Shire Oak Academy has to offer, you'll be pleasantly surprised.



Design and Technology Teacher

January 2026 start

Our Design and Technology Department is led by a new Subject Leader for Design and the department offers a wide and varied KS3 curriculum including resistant materials, graphics, CAD/CAM, food and textiles. The KS4 offer currently includes vocational Engineering and GCSE Food preparation and nutrition and is looking to offer GCSE Product Design from September 2026. The department also offers the popular OCR A Level Product Design course.

The facilities in Design Technology include 2 workshops, a well-resourced computer suite, a CAD/CAM room equipped with a new laser cutter and 3D printers and a food room. The department is well looked after and maintained by two DT technicians. There are currently 3 full time DT teachers and 2 members of the senior team who are specialists in DT that also teach in the department and we are looking for one further DT teacher to teach across the whole spectrum of DT, specialising in RM and engineering as a preference with the ability to teach other aspects including food and some KS3 art.

We encourage you to visit to see the department and meet the team having read the full application pack. You'll be pleasantly surprised!