



WYMONDHAM COLLEGE

A World Class State Boarding
and Day School



Join our Team



About the College

Wymondham College was established in 1951 on the site of a wartime US Air Force Hospital. The College continued to be housed in wartime Nissen huts until the 1990's. Only one Nissen hut remains, our Chapel, which remains at the heart of the College. We are proud of our links with the United States and a Heritage Trail around the campus tells students and visitors the story of the development of the site before, during and after the war. We remember the sacrifice of those who fought and fell during the Second World War during our Remembrance Day service and wreath laying ceremony at our war memorial that is attended by our Combined Cadet Force and a Senior member of the US military.

We have a spectacular 83 acre site which includes extensive sports pitches, flood lit AstroTurf, new tennis courts, an indoor swimming pool, modern classroom buildings and specialist teaching spaces, five main school boarding houses and Lincoln Hall (winner of the 2008 Norfolk architectural award); our 6th Form centre that is home to 400 post-16 day and boarding students. In 2018 the building work began on a new £2.4million Maths and SEN building which includes a lecture theatre and we aim to build a new state of the art Cricket Pavilion by 2021 in time for the 70th anniversary of the College.

We are the founding school of the Sapientia Education Trust (SET). SET have been granted funding to build a new Primary Free School on the Wymondham College site that will give us the opportunity to educate children from 5 through to 18. Our new Primary School will also offer boarding places for Year 5 and 6 students and we hope that this will be open in September 2020.

Largest State Boarding School

We are the largest of the 38 state boarding schools in the country. We have over 1300 students, with 400 of those in our Sixth Form. About half of our students' board with us and at our heart, we consider ourselves a boarding school. State boarding schools provide free education to all students, but charge a fee to cover boarding costs.

Our boarding provision is led by a Deputy Headteacher, who oversees the six Assistant Headteachers (Heads of House). We have five main school (11-16) mixed boarding houses (Kett, Peel, Fry, Cavell and New Hall) and one sixth form house; Lincoln Hall. Each house has a dedicated team of resident and non-resident staff including House Parents, Matrons and Graduate Boarding Assistants.

Not all staff are involved in the boarding element of the College, however, it is at the heart of our ethos and all students in our community benefit from what boarding brings to the organisation. Our Wymondham Life extra-curricular programme offer over 65 clubs every week including a huge range of sports, Combined Cadet Force and Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme.



A typical Day in the life...

Day Routine

Monday - Friday

8.30 - 8.35	Registration with Tutor
8.35 - 8.55	Chapel/Assembly/Tutor Group
9.00 - 10.00	Period 1
10.05 - 11.05	Period 2
11.05 - 11.20	Break
11.25 - 12.25	Period 3
12.35 - 13.40	Lunch
13.40 - 14.40	Period 4
14.45 - 15.45	Period 5
15.45 - 17.00	Wymondham Life 1

Saturday

8.30 - 9.35	Registration and Period 1
9.40 - 10.40	Period 2
10.45 - 11.00	Break
11.00 - 12.00	Period 3

Afternoon: Sports fixtures where appropriate

14.00 - 16.00	Boarder Activities
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Sunday

10.00 - 10.45	Chapel Service
14.00 - 16.00	Boarder Activities

A typical Day in the life...

Evening Routine

Monday - Sunday

5.45 - 16.00	Break
16.00 - 17.00	Wymondham Life 1
17.15	Day pupils attending clubs and activities leave
17.20 - 18.20	Evening Meal
18.30 - 19.30	Prep Time
19.30 - 20.20	Wymondham Life 2 activities for Years 7 to 9. Prep/House activities for Years 10 to 13. Wymondham Life 3 activities for Years 10 to 13.
20.30 - 21.20	House Activities for Years 8 and 9
21.30	Day+ students leave (or year group bedtime if earlier)

Bedtimes

20.30	House Activities for Years 8 and 9
21.00	Years 8 - 11 to dormitories at 15 minute intervals)
22.15	Years 12 and 13 to dormitories



Our Students

Our students are amazing! Approximately half of our students board with us and our day students live usually within a few miles of our rural campus. Our boarders come from across East Anglia, the UK and the wider world. As a state boarding school, we can only accept students who have UK or EU passports or meet the visa criteria set by HM Government.

The young people who come to our College to learn and grow rightly have high expectations of the educational experiences that we offer. We are here to always do our best for them and this applies to all elements of our work; education, catering, boarding, estates, support and cleaning.

Boarding Duties

We encourage staff to undertake at least one evening duty in the boarding houses. For most colleagues this attracts an additional hourly payment.

Our Staff

We have over 400 staff at the College. They work in a number of departments but are united by the aim to always 'be the best we can be' in order to give our students a World Class education.

Our main departments are:

- Boarding
- Maintenance and Caretaking
- Grounds
- Cleaning
- Catering
- Admin Support
- Education (teaching)

During term time, the College is a 24/7 operation with some staff on duty at all times to ensure that students are well looked after and so that colleagues are supported.

A number of staff live on the campus; whether in staff accommodation in boarding houses or staff houses in 'The Park'. Posts that are residential will clearly state that fact in the advert.



Our Expectations and Performance

Wymondham College is one of the highest performing, non-selective schools in the country and has a world-wide reputation for excellence. Educationally, we are consistently in the top 5% of schools and have been awarded 'World Class School' status. Ofsted, the UK educational inspectorate has rated the school as 'outstanding' for boarding (2017) and education (2012).

We have a very proud heritage and we expect staff to perform in a way that is befitting such an educational institution. Pride, Passion and Positivity are corner stones of our work and an attention to detail sets us apart from other providers.

Professional Development

The College and SET offers a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programme that is made up of whole staff Professional Development Days (PDDs), external courses and a twilight CPD programme focussed mainly on supporting teaching staff.

As part of a growing Multi-Academy Trust, there are a number of opportunities for colleagues to work with wider teams, share ideas and collaborate. Visits to other schools to look at best practice. Attendance at conferences and coaching are all part of our wider CPD offer to our staff.





Why work at Wymondham College?

We have a world class reputation for excellence and we are a happy, supportive and forward looking school. We believe in bringing out the best in people and empowering them to grow.

- We have a beautiful 83 acre campus and excellent facilities that offer a state school environment like no other
- We are in the Top 20 state schools in the Country
- We are the highest performing state school in Eastern England
- We are holders of the World Class Schools Award 2015
- We are Ofsted "Outstanding" in both Education and Boarding inspections
- We are proud to have over 65 regular extra curricular clubs
- We offer exceptional pastoral care centered around our House system
- We have over 400 staff dedicated to supporting world class education
- We offer opportunities to grow within our families of schools

Get in Touch

We would be delighted to show you around, so please get in touch.

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