## **About Us**

Outwood Academy Freeston became part of the Outwood Grange Academies Trust on 1st May 2018. The Academy is in the heart of Normanton, which is a small town and part of the City of Wakefield.

It is a mixed school for both girls and boys ages 11-16. We are an increasingly popular choice of secondary school for families in the local area.

Outwood Academy Freeston is renowned for the caring ethos that pervades the work of the staff and its students. Visitors always comment on our warm, welcoming and friendly atmosphere. This academy is totally committed to safeguarding the welfare of its students and expects the same for its staff and volunteers. Our academy has a strong connection to its history with the Freeston Foundation who continue to support the academy, its students and the community.

Outwood Academy Freeston, places students at the centre of everything it does, with a focus on creating a culture of success, a positive climate for learning and increased attainment.

The aim of all at Outwood Academy Freeston is to provide our students with the knowledge, skills and understanding that they will need in order for them to realise their ambitions, pursue their chosen pathways and to make valuable contributions to society.

## Welcome from the Principal

My name is Lisa Allott and it is my privilege to welcome and introduce you to our academy. I started my teaching career in 1996 and have worked across a range of Local Authorities. I started to work for the Trust in 2014.

Whatever stage of your career, we have something bespoke to offer. We offer a hugely successful NQT programme, delivered in conjunction with the Outwood Institute of Education based in Doncaster. We also offer whole academy leadership projects for colleagues who are wanting an opportunity to develop.

I look forward to welcoming you personally to Outwood Academy Freeston. We are exceptionally proud of everything we have achieved. Since joining the Trust our outcomes for students have reached record results in attainment and progress. The ethos in the academy is positive, students want to learn and aspirations are high.

We operate an open door policy and welcome you to visit us and find out more about what we do and meet our fantastic curriculum teams.