

Mr Allen

When did you start working at Warden Park Secondary Academy? I joined in 2020.

What is your role at Warden Park Secondary Academy?

History, Geography and Learning about Life Teacher and Form Tutor.

What do you remember about how you were supported by the mentoring and induction programme at Warden Park Secondary Academy? I received fantastic support throughout my training year and into my year as an ECT. I was fortunate enough to have two mentors within the History department who were massively supportive and helpful in terms of lesson feedback and advice. They were always available for help whenever it was needed, which is also true of other members in the department and in the school more widely. The induction programme led by Mandy Bell was a great way to be further embedded into the school as well as a means of picking up 'good practice' from the weekly sessions, which often included input from experienced members of staff around the school.

Why should someone choose to train to be a teacher at Warden Park Secondary Academy? Warden Park is a school where you will feel supported every step of the way through the training process and beyond. This support comes not only from the mentors and induction staff assigned to you, but from members of staff in every part of the school. You can stop and chat with any colleagues you meet to get advice and useful nuggets of information. You are also encouraged to be brave with your classroom practice in order to find what works for you, without the fear of what happens if things 'go wrong'. It is a safe space to begin your teaching journey.