

Ms Bithell

When did you start working at Warden Park Secondary Academy? I have worked at Warden Park since my training year.

What is your role at Warden Park Secondary Academy? I am a Science Teacher and Deputy Head of Community.

What do you remember about how you were supported by the mentoring and induction programme at Warden Park Secondary Academy? The mentoring and induction programme at Warden Park was incredibly supportive. The mentoring programme was tailored to me and my mentor ensured that the speed in which aspects of my teaching were introduced was based on what I was able to do and comfortable in doing. My weekly meetings with my mentor allowed us to discuss areas that I wanted to work on as well as what my mentor had noticed needed improvement, giving me scope to take some ownership on what I felt I was struggling with. The feedback and advice I received proved invaluable over my training year and in the time since I have started working for the school. The induction programme meant I was able to receive weekly school based training from a huge variety of staff around the school. The induction programme was run for a mixture of trainees and NQTs which meant we were able to share experiences and I was able to hear from those who had also only recently gone through the training experience.

Why should someone choose to train to be a teacher at Warden Park Secondary Academy? Warden Park is an incredibly supportive school to train in full of teachers with a huge amount of experience. The mentors and professional tutors are wonderful and work so closely with you throughout the year to ensure that you can get the most out of your training. The students at Warden Park are enthusiastic and keen to further their learning. This makes your training year feel that much more rewarding.