



PRESS RELEASE

The Wellington Academy Appoints New Headteacher

Deputy Headteacher Rob Wood was this week confirmed as the new headteacher, 14 years after he first joined the school. Rob will begin his new role from September 2023.

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In his new role as Headteacher, Rob Wood has reflected "I am genuinely thrilled to be given this opportunity, in my role as Deputy Headteacher I have worked closely with the students, staff and community and am excited to be able to continue to do so at The Wellington Academy. My significant time at the school up to this point has allowed me to understand the needs and aspirations of those we serve, and I am confident I know what the next best steps for leading the school forward are."

CEO of the Trust George Croxford had commented "There was a strong shortlist of candidates with a two-day selection procedure. At the end of the process we appointed Rob Wood, who we believe to be the best candidate to lead The Wellington Academy forward."

"I am confident that under Mr Wood's leadership, the school will go from strength to strength. Mr Wood has the drive, energy and commitment to ensure the inquisitive, ambitious and independent vision for the school are at the heart of everything he does."



Nathan Coombs Chair of Ascend Learning Trust had said "The school is currently at a high after their good OFSTED report back in November 2022. This is an exciting development in the journey of The Wellington Academy, Rob was a strong candidate with already having a great relationship with the school and students. Ascend Learning Trust is excited to welcome a new headteacher and look forward to watching the school grow in Rob's leadership."