

# WGS Philosophy

## the challenge of scholarship the spirit of commitment

The philosophy of Wolverhampton Grammar School places scholarship at the heart of a challenging education which promotes achievement through active involvement. It seeks to develop self-awareness and a sense of responsibility, values both individuality and altruism, and fosters the spirit of community and commitment traditional to the School.

Boys and girls come to Wolverhampton Grammar School from all sorts of schools, families and cultures. Their experience, knowledge, cultural experience and skills are diverse, and are a source of strength and richness to the school. **What we expect all our students to have in common is an interest in thinking, learning and finding out.**

### what this means for a WGS student

We will ask you to be scholarly, i.e. to work hard, to get into the habit of enquiring and finding out for yourself, to read a great deal and be responsible for your learning. True scholarship is concerned with discovering new facts and ways of thinking, understanding them and making connections between them.

This will be challenging and will require commitment from you. You will be expected to get involved, be positive and stick at things when they get tough, both in academic work and in life outside the classroom.

As you progress through the school we will encourage you to grow into a mature, thoughtful individual who will use your talents creatively and imaginatively for others as well as yourself. We will ask you to be self-critical, self-aware and responsible and we will expect you to be a giver to school, not just a taker from it. In that way, being a student at WGS should be positive, active and fulfilling experience in which you contribute to the spiritual well being of the whole school community.

### and for parents

We believe that our philosophy makes considerable demands of us as a school, its students and you, their parents. We ask you to provide consistent, co-ordinated support and encouragement from home, ensuring that your children come to school:

- punctually
- rested, organised and with homework done
- wearing uniform correctly and equipped for the day.