



# FARINGDON COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Exams Manager

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# Welcome from the Headteacher

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your interest in this position at Faringdon Community College.

Our school is a vibrant and nurturing place where we believe in unlocking the full potential of each individual. We are committed to providing a rich and engaging curriculum that challenges and inspires, encouraging curiosity, critical thinking, and a lifelong love of learning. Our dedicated and passionate staff work tirelessly to create a supportive atmosphere where students feel safe, valued, and empowered to explore their interests and develop their talents.

Beyond academic excellence, we place a strong emphasis on character development. We strive to instil the core values of 'belong, believe, aspire and achieve' in our students, preparing them to be responsible citizens who contribute positively to society. We believe that a strong partnership between home and school is crucial for a child's success, and we encourage open communication and active participation from all members of our community.

We truly believe that every member of our community has great potential, and we are dedicated to nurturing the confidence and mindset for students to try new things, ensuring that everyone can keep getting better in all they do. We are also extremely proud of our rich and varied extra-curricular activities, as well as the numerous trips and visits we offer, which play a vital role in building confidence and broadening horizons and experiences for all.

Best wishes,

Lisa Barker  
Headteacher



# Our Vision and Values

## Our Vision

We aspire to be a 'Beacon of Excellence', delivering high-quality, inclusive education and enriching experiences within a nurturing and supportive environment. We champion high aspirations, academic achievement, and personal success for every learner.



## Our FCC Promises

To achieve this vision, we make four promises; three to our students and families, and one to our valued staff:

- We will deliver high-quality, inclusive teaching.
- We will provide a nurturing environment.
- We will immerse you in a wide range of enriching experiences.
- We will empower our staff through a supportive and developmental framework.

## Our Values

Our core values—Belong, Believe, Aspire, Achieve—are woven into the fabric of school life. When young people feel they belong, they begin to believe in themselves. With belief comes aspiration, and with aspiration, achievement beyond what they thought possible.



# Our School

Visitors to the school comment on the calm and purposeful environment in classrooms, workshops, labs and other teaching spaces. The positive relationships between students and staff, based on mutual respect, are at the heart of high standards of teaching, learning and personal development, supporting everyone's progress and achievement.

FCC is a positive place to work at any stage in your career. Experienced and dynamic leadership provide effective coaching and staff development, focusing on the development of each teacher as a practitioner and leader. FCC is a great place to progress your career. As an ECT you will be part of a vibrant community of staff, keen to learn from each other, providing you with additional support and opportunities to develop in the classroom and as part of a school rich in extra-curricular activities. All staff enjoy our comprehensive CPDL programme, with chances to lead in school while drawing on wider research, including membership of the National College. The Cambrian Learning Trust provides subject networks, links at Secondary and Primary level and leadership roles, all supporting collaboration and career development.

FCC is a very popular, successful 11 to 18 mixed comprehensive school on the edge of Faringdon, a picturesque market town situated between Oxford and Swindon. The school occupies a large, attractively landscaped site with an excellent range of specialist accommodation and facilities. We are excited about several significant building projects for the future that will further develop the facilities for our students and staff.

Viewing our termly newsletters shows the rich range of additional opportunities, clubs and events that our students and staff enjoy. This enables us to create and celebrate character in our young people, as well as developing their appreciation of the wider world, the part that they can play and the leadership they can display. It supports good relationships between students and staff, making working at FCC especially enjoyable and rewarding.



# Our School

At FCC belonging is fundamental as an inclusive, welcoming school where everyone can be themselves. We believe that every member of the FCC community has great potential, and in turn nurture the confidence and mind-set for students and staff to try new things so that everyone can keep getting better in all that they do. Our high aspirations cover all aspects of the school experience, and we want our students and staff to have ambitions and be determined to reach their goals. This supports individual achievement in lessons, clubs and activities and on to examinations and future progression.

We want students and staff to feel happy and successful in school, enjoy their work, be themselves and make a unique contribution to the life of the school. We have very high expectations at Faringdon Community College, and this is reflected in relationships, behaviour, and attitudes toward learning. Students take a real pride in their school, as do all staff, and all are fully committed to building character in all young people.

Faringdon Sixth Form is great destination for students post GCSE, going on to study a wide range of A Levels which in turn provide teaching opportunities for staff. We are very proud of our Sixth Formers and the contribution that they make to the life of the school. The range of university visits, workshops, events and trips mean that everyone has access to great enrichment that will support their next steps beyond FCC to apprenticeship, university or employment. All of these elements ensure FCC is a community of inspiration and aspiration for students and staff alike. We are committed to nurturing aspiration and talent as an inclusive, diverse and welcoming school. We believe that Faringdon Community has a great deal to offer everyone.

