

## Context Information - Academy

Serlby Park became an academy on 1st September 2011 sponsored by School Partnership Trust Academies, now Delta Academies Trust (DAT). In March 2018 the academy received an OFSTED Section 8 Inspection where the inspectors recognised that the academy continues to be Good. The current Principal was appointed in September 2016 having previously worked at the academy as Vice Principal

The Academy is a 3-18 academy which has a smaller than average Secondary Phase and has in recent years been affected by a reduction in birth rate in the area. However, numbers are beginning to rise again with larger than expected mobility into the school in all years from within and outside the catchment area. The Academy has worked to transform its 6th Form provision by working in partnership with four other DAT academies in the Doncaster area.

The Academy is located in Bircotes, a former mining community situated close to the main motorway networks. Some pupils live in areas of deprivation. The proportion of pupils eligible for Pupil Premium is high. Pupils within the Academy are mainly white British with the numbers of students who speak English as an additional language being very low.

Where appropriate, secondary specialists work across the phases. Secondary students also work alongside Primary staff and pupils in a variety of guises including Sports Leadership, Work Experience and Mentoring.

In addition to the Family of Primaries (Serlby Park School Partnership) runs joint training events and moderation groups on a number of topics including writing and maths. There is 1 SENCO, working across the Primary and secondary phases, the Secondary SENCO also works across the Family of Schools. The academy has a strong Care and Guidance team ensuring expectations and rewards are consistent across the age ranges.

The Academy chain offers inter-academy networks and professional development supporting Teaching and Learning, Inclusion, NQTs, Science, English and Mathematics, other foundation subjects and Post 16 subjects.