Computer-generated images of the new academy.

EUROPEAN ELECTRONIQUE WINS CONTRACT TO BRING FLEXIBLE ICT TEACHING TO WOODARD ACADEMIES

THE WOODARD Academies Trust has appointed European Electronique to supply the latest in ICT solutions that enable individual learning and development through the power of technology. The work is under way on the Sir Robert Woodard Academy which is located in West Sussex.

The school, due to open its new building this September, will be the first academy to launch under the Woodard Academies Trust and is part of the 163-year-old Woodard Schools Group. Specialising in performing arts and mathematics, it currently operates out of a legacy school until the new building opens next year, to accommodate over 1,400 students aged 11 to 18.

Starting with the Sir Robert Woodard Academy, European Electronique has been selected as the ICT partner of choice for four schools due to open under the Woodard Academies Trust.

The academy's ethos is to encourage young people to learn to their full potential and individual interests. The school therefore required an ICT partner that empowers each pupil with the freedom and flexibility to learn and succeed regardless of their ability.

European Electronique has worked with the students to design a complete suite of ICT solutions that empowers students and teachers to meet their specific learning needs.

Teaching via the latest 3D technology will bring subjects to life and really engage students in learning. Sony media technology and integrated Apple solutions enable students to design and edit video productions, especially valuable for music, drama and dance, while wireless technology gives students greater freedom and flexibility to learn.

"We are confident in European Electronique's ability to transform our ICT vision into reality," said Tim Harkins, ICT director of Robert Woodard. "The ongoing process of engagement with students and staff is extremely beneficial and has so far shown that the team at European Electronique has an excellent understanding of ICT deployment in an educational environment. Technology in the new academy build is one of the key drivers for ensuring that the learning is engaging and rewarding for our students. European Electronique is supporting us to enhance learning through the exciting use of the latest technologies and so far we have been very impressed with the way the team approach all aspects of the project."

Yolanta Gill, EE CEO, said: "European Electronique has worked closely with the academy and its students to design solutions that reflect the school's ethos of individual learning and development and aims to reflect the school's passion for teaching."

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