

Kettering Buccleuch Academy



European Electronique help Kettering Buccleuch Academy meet its vision

Background

European Electronique has, for over 20 years, been providing ICT products and services to the education sector and was delighted to be chosen as ICT partner to deliver innovative solutions for Kettering Buccleuch Academy. The project aims to deliver the vision of the academy and its sponsor ULT to affect learning outcomes, to raise aspirations amongst the learners and improve attainment.

Kettering Buccleuch Academy is a co-educational academy open to students aged 4–19 with total provision of 1,770 places. The academy has a specialism of maths, ICT and sport, supported by the theme of business and enterprise. This means that in all lessons, particular attention is paid to developing the key skills associated with these subjects, such as critical thinking, problem-solving and team work.

The school's vision is for students of all faiths, backgrounds and abilities to be valued and respected.

“As a member of the ULT family, Kettering Buccleuch Academy shares the objective of bringing out ‘the best in everyone’, enabling each pupil to become a balanced, happy and articulate person with the intellectual freedom to be creative; confidence to initiate; flexibility to respond to challenge, change and adversity; compassion to serve others; spirit to enjoy life; integrity to be trustworthy; and motivation to have a lifelong love of learning.”

The technology installed in the new academy will reflect its specialism and vision, as well as providing technological tools to enhance high-quality teaching and learning. Every classroom will have an electronic whiteboard connected to a computer and a data projector allowing the preparation and delivery of dynamic, interactive lessons across all curriculum areas. Internet facilities will be available in all learning spaces and every teacher and student will have an e-mail address and access to an intranet that will allow collaboration and home access to teaching and learning materials.

Both students and academy staff will also have access to computer resources across the site, including dedicated ICT suites, learning resource areas and a wireless network that will allow connectivity to the network using laptop computers. The ICT will be driven by a sophisticated Local Area Network (LAN) that will ensure safe, secure and timely access to e-mail, e-learning resources, printing, the Internet and educational software. Other facilities within the academy will include a computerised library and administration system as well as specialised equipment used for science data logging.

Yolanta Gill, CEO at European Electronique comments, “We were absolutely delighted to be appointed ICT provider for Kettering Buccleuch Academy. We have a long standing relationship with the ULT and look forward to continuing our partnership. We believe that the solutions proposed by EE will support the academy’s effort in realising their vision.”

About European Electronique

European Electronique is a leading technology company with 22 years’ experience in ICT and a reputation for innovation. The company is a market leader in the education sector while delivering innovative customised solutions to other markets including; Local and Central Government, Emergency Services, Housing and Healthcare.

European Electronique’s skills are recognised at national Government level and the company is accredited by Buying Solutions, the national procurement framework for UK public services, an Executive Agency of the Office of Government Commerce in the Treasury; and is an Approved Supplier for the Department for Education’s ICT Services Framework Agreement, providing solutions to the education sector.

European Electronique’s principal areas of business activity are the provision of:

- ❖ One-stop supply chain solutions (Procurement Services)
- ❖ Infrastructure Services Projects
- ❖ Maintenance and support services, including ITIL and FITS compliant