**Oak Field School: Class Teacher (MPR/UPR + 1 SEN Point)**

Oak Field School is a Special School for 168 pupils aged 3 – 19 with a wide range of learning difficulties (SLD, PMLD, ASD and CLDD) and/or physical disabilities, including complex health needs, sensory needs, and some challenging behaviours linked to disability. This is a permanent full-time post, and we are seeking to appoint for an Autumn Term 2021 start.

This post would suit a teacher with a strongly evidenced interest in SEN; this could be an experienced teacher, or eg an early career teacher. Please apply **only if you have QTS, or will have achieved this by August 2021**. Applications are welcome both from Primary and Secondary teachers - as an all-age school we have considerable flexibility. Key Stage/class placement is reviewed annually, and by consultation, both to meet the school’s need and to provide opportunities for CPD.

We are an extremely active, lively and welcoming school, committed to giving all our children and young people the best possible opportunity to engage in learning, achieve, make progress, and maximise their communication, choice-making and independence skills. We have high expectations of the children, young people and ourselves, and we appreciate and celebrate our achievements fully.

The school’s 3 OFSTED inspections (February 2018, March 2014, and February 2011) have all judged the school to be Outstanding. The school is a member of the Nottingham Schools Trust (NST), and holds a number of national awards and accreditations, including Basic Skills Quality Mark, Arts Mark Gold, the International School Award and Healthy Schools Award; we are also a Global Learning Programme Expert Centre.

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, proactive and hard-working teacher who is an outstanding classroom practitioner and is committed to improving outcomes for children and young people with SEN and/or disability and their families. Each teacher has responsibility for leading a curriculum area across the school.

The successful candidate will be:

* Committed to developing personalised learning, curriculum and assessment for children and young people with SLD/PMLD/ASD/CLDD, using a wide range of teaching strategies, resources and assessment tools.
* Committed to developing subject leadership within an SEN setting
* Able to demonstrate an excellent understanding of how children and young people learn and develop, and of the pastoral role in this context.
* Highly motivated and flexible, and committed to developing own, and others’, CPD.
* Creative, innovative and quick to learn.
* Able to demonstrate excellent initiative and organisational skills.
* Keen to lead, and to join, a committed, hard-working and supportive team.
* Committed to partnership working, both within school and with outside agencies.
* Passionate about their role in improving outcomes and life chances for children and young people with disabilities.

An understanding of child development and experience of, or strongly evidenced interest in, teaching children and young people with SEN is essential - further training in aspects of Special Education will be provided, as appropriate. The school is organised in to 3 Phases (EYFS/KS1,

7-14, and 14-19), has particular strengths in the Arts, PE and Sport, PSHE and WREL, and a particular commitment to extra-curricular enrichment, including outdoor learning and adventure, and residential visits.

A commitment to Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people is essential, and the successful applicant will be required to have an enhanced DBS check carried out prior to commencing employment.

Since Oak Field is a unique specialised educational setting within the city of Nottingham, we strongly advise that **before** you apply for this post you have a detailed look at our website (oakfieldschool.org.uk), especially the 4-minute video and the *Learning At Home* section, then have an informal telephone conversation with Patricia Lewis (Headteacher) to discuss the role and the possibility of a visit during school hours. **Please telephone the school on 0115 915 3265** between 9.30am and 5pm.

Applications close on: **Tuesday 4th May 2021** **at noon.**

Provisional interview date: Wednesday 12th May.