



# The Axholme Academy Recruitment pack

Communications & Events Officer 2024



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## Welcome from the Principal



## Welcome to The Axholme Academy

Our mission is to provide the highest standards of all round education for every student so that students at The Axholme Academy go 'Beyond Expectations'.

We focus on our students being Ready and Able to Learn and thus be highly successful and independent. At The Axholme Academy we believe that every student really does matter and every student really can achieve. No student at The Axholme Academy is seen as a statistic or can be 'lost amongst the crowd' - each student is most definitely known and valued as an individual. The Axholme Academy will provide exactly the type of education and opportunities for your son or daughter to flourish and be successful in life.

Our students are simply fantastic - they are ambitious, independent, thoughtful and responsible. The Axholme Academy has an extremely dedicated, talented and conscientious team of staff who work together to provide a high standard of teaching, excellent pastoral care and professional support services.

Success at The Axholme Academy is achieved through the energy and commitment of students and staff working closely together and also through strong relationships with



parents and carers. We match the curriculum studied closely with the talents, abilities and ambitions of our students so that individual excellence will be achieved.

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## Recruitment Process Details Communications & Events Officer

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and hard-working Communications & Events Officer to promote the successes, news and aspirations of the Academy and to be responsible for the administration support of events and visits.

We'd like to hear from candidates who are:

- Passionate about making a real difference to the lives of children
- Well organised and motivated to support students of all abilities and needs
- Energetic and have a can-do attitude
- Committed to safeguarding and the well-being of everyone at the school
- Communicate effectively at all levels, both orally and in writing
- Able to implement, monitor and maintain recording systems
- Have excellent time management skills

Applicants with experience and qualifications as well as applicants with a desire to start a career in this field will be considered. What is important to us is that we appoint someone who is totally committed to the post and can demonstrate the ability to consistently support our quality first Teaching and Learning across the academy. We need someone who will work effectively and enthusiastically with other colleagues, students and parents to allow students to meet their potential.

In return, we can offer:

- a positive and supportive working environment focused on student progress and achievement with a relentless focus on going 'Beyond Expectations'.
- An exciting opportunity to join an academy with a fantastic cohort of students and a highly supportive staff and leadership team.
- Training and CPD opportunities.

The Axholme Academy is an ambitious, forward thinking and friendly Academy serving the market town of Crowle and surrounding villages. We are increasingly becoming the first choice school for parents in the local area, not just those in our traditional catchment area of the market town of Crowle and surrounding villages but also those traditionally catered for by different local authorities. This has led to us increasing the number of students on roll year on year which in turn has enabled us to increase the number of staff that we employ thereby further improving the quality of our provision. As such the Academy is now oversubscribed in the majority of year groups.



In March 2023 Ofsted confirmed that The Axholme Academy continues to provide a good education for students. Please find the report attached <u>HERE</u>.

The Academy is a founder member of The Northern Lincolnshire Education Consortium Ltd. These links will provide the successful candidates with opportunities for excellent professional development and establish high impact partnerships across the region.

In order to make an application please visit the vacancies section on our website <u>www.theaxholmeacademy.com</u> where you will also find further information about the Academy. Applications should be e-mailed to <u>hr@theaxholmeacademy.com</u>

If this post attracts sufficient interest before the closing date, we may decide to close this vacancy at an earlier date, so an early application is advised.

Visits and informal discussions with the Principal and/or Business Leader are very welcome; please call or e-mail the Academy to arrange.

The Axholme Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. Any offer of employment to this post will be subject to receipt of a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service.

#### Start Date: March 2024

Closing Date: Friday 8th March 2024 12pm Shortlisting : Friday 8th March 2024 Interviews: TBC



## Job Description

Job Title: Communications & Events Officer
37 hrs per week term time only
Remuneration: Grade 4 SCP 3-5, Actual Starting Salary £18,783 (FTE - £22,737)
Reporting to: Business Leader, Principal, SLT

#### **Core Role/Activity**

The Communications & Events Officer is responsible for providing administrative support on communications, promoting the successes, news and aspirations of the Academy; developing promotional materials to raise the Academy's profile. In addition to this they would also be responsible for the day-to-day administration support for individual projects, events and visits as directed by the senior team or project/visit lead.

#### Core Responsibilities

- 1. Source news from staff and students for the Academy website, social media and newsletters; write and make regular posts on the website.
- 2. Oversee the academy's social media presence in collaboration with staff and students, making regular posts. Evaluate new potential platforms of engagement.
- 3. Maintain and improve functionality and user experience of the Academy's website using the content management system, ensuring news feed, galleries and key information is up-to-date.
- 4. Produce quality materials for marketing collateral for both print and digital media to enhance and promote the Academy's brand image.
- 5. Produce and maintain displays around school and for events
- 6. To accurately maintain the shared calendar and update the school information and produce important diary dates and term dates documents
- 7. Photographing life at the Academy
- 8. Organise school photographs for students
- 9. Produce the staff bulletin weekly
- 10. Research income generation opportunities to fund projects
- 11. Assist with the day-to-day organisation of individual projects, events and visits as directed by the project/event leader
- 12. Advise staff on visit procedures as required
- 13. Ensure risk assessments have been carried out for all trips by the visit lead and submitted to evolve.

#### Knowledge, Skill and Experience Required

- Computer literacy, typing skills, interpersonal skills and team working
- Ability to communicate effectively at all levels, both orally and in writing
- Ability to implement, monitor and maintain recording systems
- Interpersonal and team working skills
- Understanding academy's policies and procedures
- Excellent time management skills



#### **Creativity and Innovation**

- Problem solving occasionally however in well established areas with a range of possible solutions
- Develops the use of management information systems to meet the needs of the Academy
- Management of own day to day workloads
- Takes decisions on when to refer matter to Business Manager/Principal
- Communicates information effectively to teachers, other professionals and parents whenever the need arises

#### Working with others

- The post holder will come into contact with students, parents, teachers and visitors both face to face and on the telephone
- Support for students within the school

#### Work Demands

All intervention sessions should be carried out as per the given timetable and all other activities are as directed within school hours, there is no requirement to work outside of school hours, however time to complete individual tasks will vary.

Disruptions may be caused by unplanned absences of staff and students and unexpected visits by parents and professionals.

#### **Physical Demands**

The postholder will be required to carry out tasks with normal physical effort. Lone working during academy holidays/out of hours, when there is only the premises supervisor on site may be required. Work involves interacting with the community, staff, students, parents and other relevant agencies to The Axholme Academy, which may involve complex, sensitive and confidential issues and can on occasions be confrontational.



## Person Specification

## **Communications & Events Officer**

ATTRIBUTES	REQUIREMENTS		
	Essential	Desirable	
Qualifications and Training	<ul> <li>Good literacy and numeracy skills</li> <li>Willingness to undergo further specific training</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Grade C or above in English and Maths</li> </ul>	
Experience	<ul> <li>Experience of working in a school or busy office environment</li> <li>Experience of working with a variety of Databases including publisher</li> <li>Proven track record of organisational ability</li> <li>Experience of working accurately to tight deadlines</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Website management and social media experience</li> </ul>	
Skills and Knowledge	<ul> <li>Excellent organisational skills</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively in a variety of situations</li> <li>Knowledge of the Data Protection Act</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>An understanding of the education system and outside agencies</li> <li>Problem solving skills</li> </ul>	
Personal Qualities	<ul> <li>Ability to prioritise and work under pressure</li> <li>Enthusiastic and committed</li> <li>High level of confidentiality and ability to deal with issues discreetly</li> <li>Self motivated and able to work on own initiative</li> <li>Dependable</li> <li>Able to meet deadlines</li> <li>Flexible attitude to work</li> </ul>		



## The Axholme Academy Vision and Mission:

At The Axholme Academy we aim to achieve excellence in all aspects of school life through high quality teaching and learning, a creative and challenging curriculum, and an ethos of support, in order to develop independent learners who are well prepared for the next stage of their lives.

#### 'Every learner is ready and able to go beyond expectations.'

We achieve our vision through quality first teaching and a 5 year learning journey which enables every learner to be :

- Confident
- Ambitious
- Independent
- Resilient
- Responsible
- Aware
- Thoughtful
- Involved
- Reflective

We provide opportunities for every learner to achieve their best possible outcomes, make a positive contribution and be prepared for their future learning and life.

To achieve our vision we will:

- All share a relentless drive to improve the academy
- Have the highest expectations of all students and staff
- Ensure all students have high aspirations
- Recognise and reward success
- Deliver consistently high quality lessons which enable students to learn well
- Develop independent learning, communication, literacy and numeracy skills across all subject areas
- Provide a creative and challenging curriculum which is personalised to meet the needs of all students
- Create a variety of opportunities to promote students' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development
- Provide excellent information, advice and guidance to fully prepare students for their future education, employment and training



 Work with parents, carers, other schools and the wider community to provide the best opportunities for all students

## Strategic Planning

Improvement Priorities 2022/23

Enable students to retain knowledge, make at least good progress in all subjects and gain the qualifications and cultural capital to succeed in life by:

- Embedding an ambitious, broad, well sequenced and structured curriculum
- Further improving the quality of teaching through the consistent use of high impact evidence based approaches
- Further improving students' readiness and ability to learn





## Staffing

Senior Leadership Team			
Principal		Damien Keogh	
Vice-Principal		Ben Creasy	
Assistant Principals		Liane Kinroy Kate Causier	
Business Leader		Sophie Leggott	
Teaching and Educational Support Staff			
Subject	Subject Leader	Teacher	
Mathematics	Dawn Robinson	Gemma Brewer Anna Brown Brett Pendrey Lisa Woodhall	
English	Joanne Kilmore	Emma Brameld Joanne Collins Jane Laird Rachel Wharton	
Science & ICT	Marie Miriello	Zoe Hall Mick Liddle Anne-Marie Pendrey Brett Pendrey Annabelle Davies Ben Creasy (Computer Science) Andy Marsh (ICT)	
Humanities	Natalie Wright	Cheryl Carter (Geography) John Hardy (History) Richard Thorpe (History) Dan Wayte (Religious Ed)	
Creative Arts	Hayley Childs	Fiona Bishop (Music)	
MFL	Emmelia Garland	Kristen Patrick	
Technology		Scott Bright (Technology) Liane Kinroy (Textiles) Anne-Marie Pendrey (Food)	



Physical Education	Lee Mason	Emma Winder Leah Underwood Julie Harrison	
Teacher	Emma Leigh	Complementary Studies	Emma Winder
Vocational Lead	Lee Mason	Careers	Fiona Bishop

Pastoral Staff/SEND/Support Staff			
DDSL & Student Support Manager	Doreen Millward	Ready to Learn Leader	Ami Burton
KS3 Ready to Learn Manager	Samantha Ackroyd	KS4 Ready to Learn Manager	Danielle Shipman
KS3 Able to Learn Leader	Dan Wayte	KS4 Able to Learn Leader	Cheryl Carter
SENDCO	Julie Harrison	Deputy SENDCO	Emma Leigh
HLTA	Louise Payne	Cover Supervisor	John Hardy
Teaching Assistant	Steph Parkinson Diane Nunns Alex Finnegan	Hayley Coel Genevieve Newmarch	Dan Leggott Dylan White

Administrative and Support Staff			
Finance/HR Officer	Amanda Audifferen	Site Supervisor/ DT Technician	Darren Hague
Data Manager	Nicky Sample	Administrative Officer	Ashlee Do Couto
Attendance Officer	Laura Flanagan	Administrative Assistant	Jo McBride
Exams Officer	Stacey Haith	Finance/HR Assistant	Rebecca Crow



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Administrative Assistant (SEN)	Janet Kaye	Communications & Events Officer	Anna Lovell
Site Assistant	Mick Rudkin	Network Manager	Alberto Legido
Science Technician	Teresa Turner	Technology Technician	Kerry McVeigh



## Teaching and Learning



## T&L Policies/Procedures

The Axholme Academy provides Quality First Teaching to ensure our students are **Able to Learn**. We believe that students are Able to Learn when:

- The curriculum and lessons are well sequenced, structured and delivered
- Students think hard about their learning within and beyond the classroom
- Students are Ready to Learn

#### Approach

Our evidence based Able to Learn Lesson Cycle (appendix 1) ensures that lessons are well structured to ensure that concepts and processes are introduced, understood and embedded.

Our **6Rs Independent Learning** Framework develops students lifelong learning skills and consists of:

- 1. REVIEW what has been learned to identify gaps
- 2. RESTRUCTURE information by producing revision materials
- 3. RETRIEVE information from memory by self-quizzing
- 4. REVISIT learning that hasn't been retained over time
- 5. REPEAT steps 2 and 3 until learning has been retained
- 6. REFLECT on how effectively you are using these independent learning activities



## Curriculum

#### Our Curriculum Intent

At The Axholme Academy, our '5 Year LearningJourney' is designed to ensure that every learner is ready and able to go beyond expectations. This vision underpins three pillars upon which our curriculum is constructed, these are:

#### Pillar 1: Ready to Learn (RtL)

The Axholme Academy has Disruption Free lessons and our students are Ready to Learn. Our classrooms are spaces where learning can always take place because our approach is binary - students are either Ready to Learn or they are not. Three universal principles underpin our approach:

- Every student has the right to learn without disruption.
- Every teacher has the right to teach without disruption.
- Students are either Ready to Learn or they are not.

Our Ready to Learn strategies maximise the amount of curriculum time available for teachers to teach and for students to learn.

#### Pillar 2: Able to Learn (AtL)

The Axholme Academy provides Quality First Teaching to ensure our students are Able to Learn. We believe that students are Able to Learn when:

- The curriculum and lessons are well sequenced, structured and delivered.
- Students think hard about their learning within and beyond the classroom.
- Students are Ready to Learn.

All lessons are designed using our 'AtL Lesson Cycle'. This structure ensures that learning is introduced in small chunks, modelled using worked examples, scaffolded to develop confidence and practised to develop independence. Our approach to lesson planning and delivery has been informed by Rosenshine's Principles of Instruction, an evidence based approach proven to help students know more and be able to do more.

#### Pillar 3: Wider Curriculum Pledge:

Our wider curriculum provides all students with a range of experiences to equip them with the knowledge and cultural capital they need to succeed in life. Our pledge encourages students to be: Ambitious, Aware, Involved, Responsible and Thoughtful.



## Workload and Wellbeing



The biggest asset The Axholme Academy has is its staff; the biggest asset they have is their health and wellbeing. We aim to identify ways in which we can work together to make sure our school is a safe, caring and happy place to work which enhances individual wellbeing, through personal fulfilment and professional identity.

We believe that this will in turn benefit our students and our community. We spend more daylight hours in school than at home, so it is important that we can have ownership of many of the decisions that affect us and that we have agency in our working lives. Our approach to supporting staff wellbeing is detailed in our staff wellbeing policy.

At The Axholme Academy we aim to promote a healthy work-life balance for all staff, where hard work and dedication, as well as the challenges of working in the context of a one form entry school, are recognised.

We aim to do this by:

• Producing calendars of meetings, deadlines and events so that staff can plan ahead and manage their workload.



- Investing in staff CPD, including professional and academic qualifications, such as NPQML, NPQSL or Masters courses.
- Reducing workload:
  - No expectation to mark every piece of learning or write extensive comments.
  - No formal lesson observations
  - No grading of lessons
- Engaging staff in annual wellbeing questionnaires to listen to and identify their needs.
- Enforcing the rule that no emails should be sent out before 08:00, after 18:00 or at the weekends.
- There is no expectation for staff to respond to emails or carry out work outside of typical school working hours (08:00 18:00).
- Offering easy access to occupational health/professional mental health support where necessary.
- Offering staff meeting time to complete specific tasks, such as medium term planning, action planning and theme week planning