

Working Together, Achieving Excellence

Teacher of Maths

- MPR / UPR & TLR1b (£10,717pa)
- Full Time
- Permanent
- Required Easter or September 2023
- Closing date: 12:00noon 14 February 2023
- Interview date: 21 February 2023

Dear Applicant

I hope that our application pack reflects the enormous pride that we have in our school, staff and students. The school converted to an academy in August 2011 and is an over-subscribed, Outstanding (Ofsted 2017), thriving, highly successful and popular single 11 - 16 comprehensive school of 1305 students. We have a strong emphasis on the traditional values of hard work, honesty, responsibility and respect for others. We value and are proud of our Hounsdown Community. We are committed to supporting all staff in their career aspirations.

"Be the best that you can be" means continually striving to be the best version of ourselves.

"Have a Mind to be Kind" means everyone making a personal, positive contribution to our culture of mutual respect and courtesy

Our Vision is to be an outstanding educational provider, offering every young person the highest possible quality teaching, support, challenge and resources which help them help themselves to be the best that they can be.

To achieve this we continually seek to;

- Operate at high levels of TRUST and CHALLENGE for
- Be safe and prioritise our safeguarding duties as a community
- Build trusted working relationships as the bedrock for successful education
- Provide an excellent learning environment and experiences
- Remember that resilient young people learn good lessons from mistakes and personal challenges
- Constantly reflect on how we can improve as a school community

Safeguarding

Hounsdown School is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to an Enhanced DBS check along with other relevant pre-employment checks.

The Role

Additional recruitment incentive may also be available for a suitably experienced external candidate for relocation

We are seeking to appoint an experienced and outstanding teacher and team leader who has the drive, vision, strategic leadership skills and qualities, to continue to raise further the levels of students' achievement and progress in a very successful and enthusiastic Maths department.

Staff Benefits

- Private Health Cash Plan
- Free counselling support
- Fantastic CPD opportunities for all
- Cycle Loan Scheme
- Staff swimming
- Respectful email policy
- Staff fitness sessions
- Excellent pension scheme
- Free onsite parking

How to Apply

To apply for this position please visit our website to download the application form included on the website.

https://www.hounsdown.hants.sch.uk/Recruit ment/Recruitment/

If you would like to arrange a visit to the school prior to your application please contact the school directly.

Job Description

Purpose

- To be responsible for the strategic leadership and development of the subject area including the strategic leadership of numeracy across the school.
- To raise standards of student progress, attainment, and achievement in the area across the key stages and to
 monitor and support students progress, ensuring effective and timely intervention where needed. To ensure
 students make expected or more than expected progress.
- To provide high quality teaching that encourages, supports and enables students to be successful learners.
- To be a role model to others, upholding the school ethos, policies and practice.
- To develop and enhance the teaching practice of others.
- To lead, manage and deploy staff, financial and physical resources within the Department.
- To communicate effectively with parents and other stakeholders in order to enhance students development and achievement.
- To ensure that Health & Safety and safeguarding practice and procedures are followed at all times.

To fulfil and meet the responsibilities and duties as set out in the Teachers' Standards (2012).

To fulfil and meet the responsibilities set out for teachers in the current DfE 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' and current DfE 'The Prevent duty'.

CORE DUTIES

Operational/Strategic Planning

- Establish, review and evaluate short, medium and long term plans for the development and resourcing of the Maths Curriculum.
- Analyse and interpret relevant data to inform target setting at individual student, class and department level to improve students' progress.
- Create a climate, which enables Maths teachers to develop and maintain a positive attitude towards the subject and confidence in teaching it.

Curriculum Provision and Development

- To liaise with SLT to ensure the delivery of an appropriate, comprehensive, high quality and cost-effective curriculum, that complements the School Improvement Plan and school self-evaluation.
- To ensure the regular review and writing of SOW for KS3 and KS4 in Maths.
- To be responsible for writing a termly action plan for Maths department.
- To keep up to date with developments in the subject area, teaching practice and methodology.
- To actively monitor and respond to curriculum development and initiatives at national, regional and local levels.
- To liaise with SLT to maintain accreditation with the relevant examination and validating bodies.
- To be responsible for the development of Key Skills within the curriculum area including the strategic development and oversight of numeracy across the school.
- To ensure that the development of curriculum area subjects is in line with national developments.

Staffing: Recruitment / deployment of Staff / Staff development

- To hold colleagues to account in their quality of their teaching and marking to ensure students make expected or more than expected progress.
- To line manage the Key Stage (2nds in Maths and other posts of responsibility in Maths) ensuring that they are
 responsible for reviewing and updating SOW, assessment practice and ensuring marking is of a high quality and
 follows school policy.
- To ensure those with responsibility in the department fulfil their MER role in reviewing the quality of learning and teaching within the subject.
- Identify appropriate resources for the subject and ensure that they are used efficiently, effectively and safely. He/She establishes staff and resource needs for the department.
- To make appropriate arrangements for classes when staff are absent, ensuring appropriate cover work is set, and liaising with cover staff as necessary.

- Be responsible for the Performance Management of members of the department, observing and providing feedback on their teaching and students learning.
- Organise the training for and moderation of any coursework (statistics where followed).
- To undertake performance management reviews and to act as reviewer for a group of staff within the designated curriculum area.
- To provide individual support and action plans for colleagues where identified and needed to ensure that the
 quality of teaching is consistently good or outstanding.

Quality Assurance / Monitoring

- Analyse the performance of students through the use of KS3 & GCSE performance data standardized tests, progress checks and reports, to identify areas of strength and areas for development in students' attainment and attitudes.
- Undertake monitoring of classroom teaching and learning to ensure a high quality learning experience and that students make and some exceed expected progress.
- Carry out regular checks on independent study (homework), marking and class work through a range of monitoring activities including, log book and work book checks, learning walks in lessons and formal lesson observations to assess provision across the ability range. To ensure marking is of a high quality and meets school expectations.
- To continue to support colleagues in achieving SMART marking to reduce their workload.

Management information

To produce reports on students' progress and performance through the school self review system, and provide the Headteacher, Leadership team and Governing body with this information.

Communications

To ensure effective communication and consultation as appropriate with parents, partner schools, employers, LA support services and other relevant external bodies. To represent the Department's views and interests and support the school's strategic vision and priorities.

Management of resources

Maintain existing resources and explore opportunities to develop or incorporate new resources into the curriculum. Manage all aspects of the GCSE Maths and Statistics courses and ensure the subject budget remains balanced.

Pastoral System

To monitor and support the overall progress and development of students within the curriculum area.

To contribute to citizenship according to school policy. To ensure that the School's behaviour management policy and practice is implemented so that effective learning can take place.

To support Maths curriculum colleagues with behaviour management strategies and support when required.

Teaching and Learning

- The Subject Leader has a substantial role to play in securing and sustaining the effective teaching and high levels of students' achievement and progress in the subject. They have lead responsibility for ensuring curriculum coverage, continuity and progression. Ensure teachers are clear about the teaching objectives in lessons; understand the sequence of teaching and learning, and communicate such information to students.
- Provide guidance and choice of appropriate teaching and learning methods to meet the needs of the subject and
 of different students. Co-ordinate setting/grouping procedures for students in liaison with the SLT link and lead for
 setting.
- To oversee and co-ordinate intervention programmes for small groups or individual students to improve their progress.
- Co-ordinate the department's involvement in and contribution to the extra-curricular programme to ensure students have access to Maths support and revision intervention at KS4.
- To lead by example being a highly effective (outstanding practitioner) in the classroom and model this in their day to day leadership.

Other specific duties and additional responsibilities

- To lead by example being a positive role model.
- To play a full part in the life of the school community, to support its vision and ethos and to encourage and ensure staff and students follow this example.

- To actively engage in the performance management process and continue personal development. To undertake any other duty as specified by STPCB and not mentioned above.
- To undertake any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.
- Once having crossed the Threshold: To make a substantial and sustained contribution to the work of the school as agreed with the Headteacher.

All staff have a duty of care to disclose personal information that might affect the risk of harm to children and those within our care. Therefore we request that staff notify the Headteacher in writing confidentially of any relationship that they may have with an individual who is on the sex offender register. This will allow the Headteacher the opportunity to risk assess the situation. These matters will be dealt with in the utmost confidence. Failure to disclose could lead to action under the school's Disciplinary Policy and Practice.

Additional Responsibility

Undertake a lunchtime duty at least one a week and be financially remunerated for this role.

Child Safety

We are committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

To ensure that the school's Child Protection, Safeguarding, Whistleblowing & Restraint Policies and practice is adhered to at all times:

To be responsible for implementing and embedding the school's safeguarding and child protection policies & practice, alerting the appropriate colleagues or school's Designated Safeguarding Lead to welfare and safeguarding concerns.

Intellectual Property Rights

All work in the form of curriculum resources and SOW and any other materials produced for students or staff whilst an employee at Hounsdown, remains within the ownership of the school. As such the school can determine whether this work is shared with others outside of the school. Upon leaving a copy of the work and materials should and must be left within the school (electronically or hard copy).

Health & Safety

- To be responsible for following the school's Health & Safety policy and practice, alerting the appropriate school staff to areas of concerns;
- To be accountable and responsible for overseeing health & safety within the department and area, ensuring risk assessments are annually updated and health & safety practice meets school and national HSE requirements;
- To be responsible for completing health & safety training as required;
- To be responsible for the annual completion of your classroom's risk assessment.

Person Specification

	Essential or Desirable
Personal Skills and Abilities	
Passion for teaching, energy, enthusiasm and flexibility	E
Emotional Intelligence	Е
Excellent attendance and punctuality	Е
Ability to build trusted working relationships and holding colleagues to account	E
Visionary Leader, able to lead by example	E
Good personal presentation	Е
Professional experiences and qualifications:	
GCSE in English & Maths and A Level Maths or Statistics	Е
Qualified Teacher Status and Degree or equivalent academic qualification	E
Previous experience as a middle leader / Subject Leader with leadership experience in the subject	D
Experience of teaching the subject related topics to a high standard at secondary level and willingness to share good practice	E
Proven experience of impact as a teacher / leader on students progress results within a department	D
Evidence of achievement in teaching across the Key Stages in the subject	E
Evidence of a commitment to own professional development	D
Professional development/ mentoring of colleagues and previous experience of line management of colleagues and holding colleagues to account	D
Experience of leading a development within a team including training, inset or department meetings	D
Contributing to the development of Schemes of Work across the Key Stages and commitment to raising levels of achievement and progress	E D
Previous experience of undertaking lesson observations of colleagues and giving feedback	U
Knowledge & Understanding Clear vision for the teaching of the subject	E
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Knowledge of whole school curriculum and current issues in the teaching of the specialist subject including assessment and attainment	E
Use of strategies to promote good student relationships and high attainment in an inclusive environment	E
Sound knowledge of requirements for SOW at KS3/4	E
An understanding of Health and Safety regulations affecting the curriculum area	D
Professional Skills and Abilities	
Ability to motivate and inspire students to want to learn	E
Ability to manage students firmly, fairly and effectively – good behaviour management	E
Ability to collaborate positively with colleagues and work towards common goals as a team member	Е
Excellent ICT skills	Е
Excellent oral and written skills	E
Understanding of Equal Opportunities, Safeguarding practice and DFE requirements	Е
Ability to use and promote a wide range of teaching methodologies	D
Excellent ability to organise skills and classroom management	D

How to Apply

How to complete your application form

In order for you to be considered for the position, it is important that you complete the application form fully. This ensures that all applicants are providing us this the same type of information.

Please use the job description and your knowledge of the role to assist you in completing the application form. Incomplete application forms will delay our recruitment process. CV's will not be accepted in substitution.

Your application is the first step in the process we use to choose employees. It plays an important part in deciding whether or not we invite you to the next stage of the process. Our decision on who to invite will be based on the information you give in your application. Please use your application and personal statement as an opportunity to reflect your personality, experience, strengths and creativity. We receive many applications; make yours stand out.

Personal Information

Enter your personal details in this section. During the recruitment process, we will contact you by email. Some spam filters may re-direct our emails to the spam folder within your email account. Please check your account regularly to minimise the risk of missing an email from us.

Employment History

Current Employer - Enter information about your current employer. If this is your first job after school or college, please give details of weekend, evening jobs, or work placements.

Previous employers - Please provide information about all of your previous employers including permanent, temporary or interim roles. To do this, simply add more sections. You must give a full history in chronological order since leaving secondary education, including periods of any post-secondary education / training, part-time and voluntary work. If you have any gaps in your employment, please indicate the reasons for this. Include full time employment, with start and end dates.

Provide explanations for periods not in employment or education / training and reason.

Formal Education

Enter all of your educational qualifications such as NVQs, GCSEs, O-Levels, A-Levels, AS Levels, Highers, and Degrees. Include all subjects and grades/scores.

References

Hounsdown School is committed to safeguarding children and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults. We expect all employees, workers and volunteers to share this commitment. All our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment.

For roles working with children and children's data, we comply with the "Safer Recruitment" national guidelines. Ideally, we will take up references before the interview for these roles; however, we do understand that with some positions this is not always possible. We will always be discrete, and if the role that you are applying for allows, you will have the option to let us know if you do not want us to contact your current employer.

Employment references for Safer Recruitment roles should not be from a colleague. They should be from your manager, supervisor or someone who is in a position of authority. It is our preference that referees are provided from different schools if you have worked in school environments previously.

If you are not currently working with children or adults but have done so in the past, it is important that you provide a reference from this employer.

We are committed to providing the best possible care and education to our students and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All staff have a role to place in safeguarding children and have a responsibility to provide a safe environment in which children can learn. Accordingly, this post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and therefore all convictions or cautions and bind-overs, including those regarded as 'spent' must be declared. Failure to declare any convictions or cautions may result in an offer of employment being withdrawn. A criminal record will not necessarily be a bar to obtaining a position.

Help us to speed up the references process:

- Ensure the email addresses and phone numbers you have provided for your referees are correct
- Do not to put two referees from the same place of work
- Let your referees know when you are offered the role
- Tell them that they will shortly be contacted for a reference
- Ask them to complete the reference as soon as possible

Interviews

If you are selected to attend an interview or an assessment day we will notify you via email or phone and let you know the date and time. It is very difficult for us to change the date of the interview once it has been agreed internally. Remember to check your spam folder when accessing your emails.

- Invitations to interview are usually made via email
- If you are invited to interview, please inform us if you require any particular arrangements, specific access or other support to be made.
- Where lunch is provided as part of the interview process (this will be made clear in the interview schedule), please inform us of any dietary requirements
- We will seek references on short-listed candidates prior to interview (where permission has been given)
- Candidates that have submitted their application form electronically will be asked to sign a hard copy (this will be provided) before being interviewed, to declare that it is true and accurate
- You will need to bring three items of identification with you to enable us to validate your identity. Details of appropriate documents will be included in your invitation to interview letter
- You will need to provide original qualification certificates specified as essential to your post in the Person Specification
- Depending on the nature of the post, you may also be required to undertake appropriate tasks/ presentation/teaching observation as part of the interview process. If this is the case, full details will be provided in the interview schedule.

"Pupils are keen to excel, ambitious for their own futures, and value the school's support to help them to achieve their goals. There are excellent programmes to raise aspirations." **Ofsted 2017**



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