

Application Pack

ENGLISH PROGRESS LEADER



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WELCOME

The governors, staff and students of Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College (BBEC) warmly welcome you to our guide for prospective applicants for the role of English Progress Leader. We put the individual student at the heart of all our endeavours and we strive to ensure that every young person is safe, happy and successful. It is a real privilege to introduce our vibrant school to you.

The school has undergone change over recent years; these changes have resulted in greater success for our students. We are on a trajectory of rapid improvement. We believe students' education is not a dress rehearsal; they only get one chance and it is important that our school provides a safe, happy environment where our young people feel valued and can learn and fulfil their potential. At BBEC we understand the importance of great teaching and our students being successful academically, but as well as this we offer fantastic opportunities for children to develop skills and interests beyond the classroom. We believe this helps students have a fully rounded, exciting learning experience so that they can thrive and be prepared for adult life.

We are a truly comprehensive school and we welcome all children. We have a fantastic mix of students with different skills and talents. The breadth of our curriculum is designed to include a range of academic and innovative courses for all abilities, from the university bound to those with additional learning needs. We are truly proud of our inclusive approach and our commitment to see every child reach his or her potential. We expect all staff to work hard to ensure that we fulfil this aim.

At BBEC, we recognise that our staff are our biggest asset. We believe that our children deserve only the best quality staff so recruit carefully and invest in training to ensure continued improvement and an excellent quality of education.

Although we are a large school we work very hard to ensure we retain our community, family ethos. We strongly believe education is a partnership between school, students and parents and work hard to develop this partnership.

In normal circumstances, we would be delighted to invite you to visit us in school. In current circumstances we would encourage you to arrange a conversation or Team meeting so you have a chance to meet us and we can share our vision with you.

Ruth Hartley Head of School

ABOUT BBEC

Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College is an improving school. We are an ambitious, community-focused academy of just over 1400 students serving an area of social deprivation on the southern edge of Bradford and seven miles from Leeds. BBEC is popular locally and is rapidly becoming the school of choice for the community of Buttershaw; for the last three years we have been over-subscribed in Year 7.

BBEC has a cohesive, highly skilled and ambitious staff team who place student success at the heart of all they do. Many of our students face multiple challenges and it is through clarity of vision, professionalism and determined support for students and for each other that we are bringing about improvement. We have the highest expectations for all our students and expect that our staff teach to the very highest level. We have a rigorous approach to quality assurance and a significant commitment to Continuing Professional Development. Teachers have many opportunities to improve their teaching pedagogy and pedagogical subject knowledge and we expect them to make the most of these opportunities to ensure that the highest of standards are maintained.

BBEC is situated in a modern building. It has well-equipped departments that are arranged in suites of rooms. All teachers have a laptop, all classrooms are equipped with projectors and interactive whiteboards and all classrooms have access to student laptops.

All at BBEC are dedicated to raising the aspirations of our students and improving cultural capital through ambitious schemes of learning in all year groups and a varied offer of extra-curricular activities and opportunities. We run trips and visits to places in the UK and across the world, our students take place in a myriad of competitions and our CEIAG programme is exemplary. BBEC is unique in having five academies in Art and Design, STEM, Performing Arts, Sport and Enterprise, all of which aim to broaden the experiences and skills of our students.

BBEC is a harmonious community and the vast majority of our students are polite, pleasant and respectful. A new, more focused, behaviour policy has been introduced and is having a positive effect.

This exciting role offers great opportunities for the successful candidate and a chance to make a difference to some wonderful young people.

ENGLISH AT BBEC

The English department at BBEC intends to:

- deliver excellent outcomes through developing a genuine love, understanding and appreciation of the English language
- deepen student knowledge by engaging with the highest quality of literature, by a wide range of authors, that will inspire, challenge and motivate them
- use a range of exciting stimuli, including books, film clips, artefacts, visitors and real-life experiences to teach students about the nuances of the English language
- encourage all students to let their imagination and personality shine through in their writing, without compromising basic skills and non-negotiables
- develop social and cultural awareness by exploring current affairs (local, global and national) through non-fictions texts, on a regular basis
- provide opportunities for all BBEC students, regardless of background, to improve their cultural capital through experiences such as texts in performance, writing workshops, guest speakers and visits
- ensure that all students become confident communicators, therefore limiting any barriers in their future and enabling them to compete in the real world.

The English Department has sustained significant improvements in teaching and learning over the last few years. KS3 schemes and GCSE specifications have been chosen to allow all students to succeed in both English and English Literature with staff enthusiasm and commitment to students at BBEC ensuring students make good progress and attainment.

The department team consists of the equivalent of fourteen full-time teaching staff. There are also an Oasis literacy leader and a specialist teaching assistant who deliver literacy intervention. The teaching staff have a well-developed team ethic, commitment and a shared passion for the subject and to develop their pedagogy. They are all committed to developing the learning experience of all students in the school. The team consists of a mixture of experienced and younger staff including two deputy headteachers.

The department has a suite of classrooms which all have smartboards and visualisers. Dedicated laptop trolleys are also available within the department. Two class sets of tablets are kept in the library for Reading Plus sessions with Key Stage 3 classes.

The department vision is to create an environment and ethos where all students can excel. We will support those students that want to attain the best possible outcome and help those that need extra guidance to achieve, whilst fostering a love of literature and the English language.

Transition is increasingly effective and we have a formal relationship with our main primary partner schools through the innovative Futures Learning Partnership. English practice in Years 7 and 8 is being enriched by these links and the department is developing joint moderation and joint models of work with the primary schools.

The department works closely with the other three BDAT English departments and the sharing of good practice is a real strength of the MAT.



ABOUT BDAT

Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College is an academy within Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust. If you are successful in being appointed, the Trust will be your employer.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust (BDAT) is a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) supporting a number of primary and secondary academies in Bradford. BDAT is the only Church of England MAT operating in Bradford, as part of the Diocese of Leeds. BDAT is a charity governed by a board of trustees who are responsible for, and oversee, the management of the company. The Memorandum and Articles are available on the Trust's website at www.bdat-academies.org.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"The Trust's mission is to provide an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice." We believe every child only has one chance at a good education. In practice, as a Trust, we seek to work with and alongside the academies in our Trust to provide a good quality of education to all children in our academies. The Trust does this through operating a light touch support role for academies at times of challenge and by establishing collaborative structures and processes to enable our academies to work together and share good practices. As our family of academies continues to grow, we are constantly looking at how we can continue to improve to establish effective and efficient ways of partnership working.

OUR GROWTH

As of September 2019, the Trust has academy orders to support 17 Church and non-Church academies across Bradford. This includes four secondary academies (Immanuel College, Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College, Belle Vue Girls and Bradford Forster Academy) and 13 primary academies. We envisage we will continue to grow at a sustainable pace over the next few years, in line with the Government agenda that all schools will become academies by 2022, to a maximum size of approximately 20 schools. We believe this will mean we are big enough to achieve business economies of scale whist being small enough to retain our family of schools approach where we truly able to know, understand and support each other.

OUR CHRISTIAN ETHOS

BDAT is a proudly Christian organisation committed to providing high-quality education for all within an ethos which encourages academic, vocational, mental, physical, and spiritual opportunities and development for each member of its academies. Whilst robust Christian principles underpin the work of the Academy, everyone is encouraged to explore their own spirituality and to recognise and understand that of others. It is for this reason that we choose to support and sponsor Non-Church of England academies, as well as those within the faith.



THE BDAT EMPLOYEE PLEDGE

Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust recognises that if our schools are to succeed, our teachers and school staff are our most valuable asset. As such we work hard to be an employer and the schools of choice in Bradford.

WE DO THIS BY:

- Relentlessly only recruiting the highest calibre of teachers who share our aspiration and ambitions for out pupils to succeed;
- Developing our teams by talent spotting and rewarding our next generation of leaders
- Making sure BDAT is a good place to work so that retain and grow the expertise and skills of our people. Keep reading to find out more about our our employee pledge which sets out what you can expect from us if you choose to join BDAT and what we will expect of you.

WE WILL OFFER YOU:

- Work in a values driven, student centred organisation where every child is support to reach their academic potential and accomplish their individual goals. http://www.bdat-academies.org/about-us/bdat-mission-statement/
- The prospect of working for an increasingly successful and growing Trust which is committed to providing high quality education for all of its students and to be the schools of choice. www.bdat-academies.org
- A separate annual career development discussion with a senior leader resulting in a bespoke career development plan in addition to Performance Management.
- Ongoing assistance in developing your 'craft' of teaching
- Assistance with career progression both within and outside the Trust
- A competitive employees' benefit scheme http://www.bdat-academies.org/aboutus/employeebenefit-scheme/

WE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Have a week's placement in one of the BDAT schools within the first two years
- Shape the curriculum developments in an ever- changing world
- Work with like-minded subject colleagues from the other trust schools
- Shadow colleagues both within the school and across BDAT
- Support the development of teachers new to the profession or to their role
- Gain the experiences required to meet external leadership qualifications such as Specialist Leadership in Education



THE BDAT EMPLOYEE PLEDGE (continued)

IN RETURN, WE EXPECT YOU:

To Model

- The values of BDAT and your school at all times
- Professional behaviours at all times

To Be

- A consistently good teacher on a day to day basis
- Committed to ongoing professional development
- A team player and to adopt a 'can do' attitude

То

- Place safeguarding of students at the heart of the work
- Engage in constructive professional dialogue, giving and listening to feedback
- Contribute to the development of students and staff
- Meet Teachers' Standards and Trust Leadership standards as appropriate to career stage expectation

Thank you for taking the time to read this information.



MAKING YOUR APPLICATION

We hope that having read this pack you are inspired to apply for the post.

In order to apply, please complete the BDAT application form. The application form can be downloaded from the school website www.buttershaw.net under Staff/BBEC Current Vacancies.

At BBEC our first priority is keeping our young people safe. Safeguarding is at the heart of all we do, and we work hard to ensure that all of our students are safe at all times and know how to keep themselves safe in a variety of situations. BBEC makes decisions about the suitability of prospective employees based on checks and evidence including: criminal record checks (DBS checks), barred list checks and prohibition checks, together with references and interview information.

If you would like to speak to someone about the vacancy, please contact Anna Krywyszyn at Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College on 07469 354516, or by email at alk@buttershaw.net.

Applications must be received by the closing date of 9am on Monday 26 April 2021. Interviews to be held on Tuesday 4 May 2021.

INCLUSION

As a Trust we are an inclusive employer. We welcome applications from candidates of all backgrounds, faith, ethnicities or with any protected characteristics. We are simply looking for the very best candidate for the job and will assess your application only on the information in your written application or your performance at interview should you be successfully shortlisted.

We will ensure that the selection process is fair and without discrimination for or against any candidate based on age, ethnicity, gender, religious beliefs, marital status, sexual orientation or disability. The person specification sets out the criteria used to assess candidates through the selection process.



ENGLISH PROGRESS LEADER - JOB DESCRIPTION TLR 2a £7.017

1. JOB PURPOSE

To drive improvements in English to raise student outcomes.

2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTABILITIES

Student Progress and Achievement

- Be responsible and accountable for the learning, progress and achievement of English students in one or more year groups.
- Model and help establish an ethos of high expectations for student achievement.
- Recommend and agree data collection. Ensure rigorous assessment leads and accurate data.
- Organise and conduct, in conjunction with the Achievement Leader for English:
 - data conversations with teachers and agree all teacher actions arising,
 - monitoring of teacher actions and their efficiency,
 - > planning and co-ordinating of all additional support and intervention.

Teaching and Learning/Curriculum

- Model and ensure that teachers are achieving high standards of teaching, assessment and feedback.
- Ensure that the scheme of learning is clear and well-resourced, with appropriate assessments
- Ensure that all teachers are using the scheme of learning and differentiating work appropriately.
- Ensure that all teachers are assessing accurately and providing effective feedback.
- Assist the Achievement Leader for English in assuring and developing the quality of teaching.

Management of Staff

- Hold staff accountable for the quality of delivery and outcomes.
- Participate in the statutory process for the performance management of staff in line with school policy.

Teaching

- Have a teaching load in the region of 25 out of 30 x 50 minute periods
- Work in line with the National Standards for Teachers
- Mark work, giving appropriate feedback and maintaining records of students' progress and development
- Plan, prepare and deliver lessons to a range of classes
- Select and use a range of different learning resources and equipment
- Manage student behaviour in the classroom and on school premises, and apply appropriate rewards and effective measures in cases of misbehaviour
- Prepare students for qualifications including external examinations and administrating and invigilating
- Undergo regular observations and participating in regular in-service training (INSET) as part of continuing professional development (CPD)
- Research new topic areas, maintaining up-to-date subject knowledge and then devising and writing new curriculum materials
- Devise and write new curriculum materials under the guidance of the subject leader
- Supervise and support the work of teaching assistants, trainee teachers and newly qualified teachers.

Support for the School

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all students have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school.
- Appreciate and support the role of other professionals.
- Attend and participate in relevant meetings as required.
- Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required.
- Support, uphold and contribute to the development of the school's equality policy and practices in respect of both employment issues and the delivery of services to the community.
- Undertake lunchtime and break supervisory duties as directed by the senior staff



ENGLISH PROGRESS LEADER - PERSONNEL SPECIFICATION

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS	HOW IDENTIFIED
Qualifications	Qualified Teacher Status	Application
	A degree in a relevant subject	
Experience	Experience of quality assuring teaching and learning	Application
	Experience of holding teachers to account for quality of teaching and learning	References
	Experience of mentoring/coaching teachers in English Successful experience of assessment criteria to track progress and ensure	Interview
	effective intervention.	
	Successful experience in a post of responsibility in a secondary school.	
	Successful responsibility for raising attainment and progress beyond own	
	teaching group.	
	Successful experience of teaching English at KS3 and KS4	
	Successful experience of teaching a range of abilities	
	Successful experience of teaching in a comprehensive school with a significant	
	number of disadvantaged students	
	Successful experience of teaching English at KS5 is desirable	
Training	Evidence of relevant training or willingness to undertake such training	Application
17 1	Achieved (or has desire to achieve) NPQML or equivalent	Interview
Knowledge,	Knowledge of current developments in English curriculum and pedagogy.	Application
Skills and	Knowledge of intervention strategies.	Interview
Ability	Ability to develop and maintain records to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness impact of teaching and learning.	
	Ability to manage a classroom effectively, maintaining firm but fair discipline	
	Ability to drive and enthuse staff.	
	Ability to develop good professional relationships with both teachers and	
	associate staff.	
	Ability to contribute to professional development of teachers and associate staff.	
	Excellent organisational skills.	
Personal	Must be legally entitled to work in the UK (Asylum & Immigration Act 1996)	Application
Circumstances	Able to satisfy the requirements of safeguarding recruitment checks in line with	Interview
	Keeping Children Safe in Education (2019)	
	Must have the ability to be flexible and work to the requirements of a busy school	
	Interest in the school's wider role in the community	
Disposition	A passion for education and a deep-felt desire to make a difference for young	Application
and Attitude	people.	Interview
	Possessing educational vision underpinned by values	References
	Emotionally intelligent: knowing when to direct, when to challenge and when not to; being able to inspire, present a positive perspective at all times; being able to	
	listen and show awareness of other's sensitivities; having personal pride and	
	leading by example.	
	Understands the importance of work/ life balance.	
	Enthusiastic, flexible, team player who enjoys hard work and takes constructive	
	criticism.	
	Good oral and written communicator.	
Physical	Resilient	References
	Physically able to cope with the demands of a multi-level building	Interview
Equality	A commitment to, and evidence of, promoting diversity and equal opportunities	Application
	within the Trust, the curriculum and employment practice.	Interview