

TEACHER OF ENGLISH

Weavers Academy

'Striving for success, focusing on learning'.

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Dear Colleague

Whether you are just browsing or actively looking, I am pleased that you have shown an interest in Weavers Academy. I understand what a difficult decision moving schools can be so whether you have made up your mind or you are just seeing what is out there, we are happy to talk or meet with you to ensure you make the right choice. We value transparency. This is more to us than a business transaction!

I am excited to be recruiting for the post of Teacher of English join us at our forward thinking and positive school, Weavers Academy, Wellingborough.

Having achieved a 2022 Ofsted grading of 'good', in all areas including leadership, inspectors found that pupils are proud of Weavers and as a result behave well in lessons and around the school. The academy has pursued a rigorous and continuous programme of educational improvement which can be seen and measured throughout the academy. Work that the school has done to further improve behaviour and attendance has resulted in students becoming increasingly ambitious for their futures.

We are committed to ensuring that all students reach their full educational potential. This comprises of our 4 key curriculum areas in Academic, Ambition and our Co-curricular & Extracurricular programmes. Our curriculum development has resulted in a highly effective and sequenced curriculum that provides a secure platform ready for expert delivery.

Our ethos and values are underpinned by our vision, 'Striving for success, Learning with PRIDE'. 'Learning with PRIDE' helps identify the values that students and staff should embody in order to be successful, lifelong learners. Perseverance, Respect, Independence, Determination and Engagement are values we develop in our students and expect in all staff. This ethos drives us forward, every day.

We are proud of the co-curricular and extra-curricular programmes that all staff play an active part in, that means over 1300 pupils per week have access to high quality and planned additional activities. The options range from skiing to singing, chess to climbing and performance options to provisional driving licence preparation. We are very proud to show you and find out what you might offer!

We have a commitment to staff development, and we have put in place a detailed programme of profession development that provides weekly CPD for staff. As a result, curriculum planning, teaching strategies and assessment techniques have advanced and drive student progress.

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We would welcome applications from staff who are experts in their field and are determined, independent and highly engaged. You will be joining a highly effective team with a collective focus to improve student achievement by providing a positive culture. You will need to be a team member, undertaking duties as required to meet the needs of the school, students and the team.

Yours sincerely

Jon Hunt
Principal

For further information and an application form please visit our website (we are in the process of updating and improving our online provisions): www.weaversacademy.org.uk
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ABOUT CREATIVE EDUCATION TRUST



Creative Education Trust inspires and enables young people to build successful lives on foundations of learning, resilience and employability. We believe that a rewarding educational experience and the highest possible qualifications are the best way to ensure social mobility for young people.

Creative Education Trust is a growing multi-academy trust educating over 13,000 children in England. It was established in 2010 to work in England's post-industrial cities and coastal towns: areas of economic disadvantage and with a history of academic underachievement. We transform these schools by integrating a knowledge-rich curriculum with skills and creativity.

Creative Education Trust defines creativity as the ability to find connections between the things we know and turn these connections into new ideas and action. The academic arts and the sciences, practical subjects and life skills all need this creativity, and creativity is valued highly by employers. Our staff and expert advisers use imaginative methods for linking knowledge across subject boundaries, fostering personal development and resilience and developing practical skills that prepare students for their transition to adult life and employment.



Our Mission

To give every child in our schools the best possible start in life through excellent education and wide-ranging co-curricular opportunities

Our Vision

To send out into the world educated, creative, confident and responsible young people, who can succeed in their ambitions and make their communities better places

Our Values

Ambition

We are ambitious in everything because only the best will do

Excellence

We do not stop at 'good enough'

Creativity

We connect our knowledge in innovative ways

Resilience

When the going gets hard, we up our game and reach our goal

Inclusion

Every child and every colleague matters – we will work for and with them all

Respect

We value the ideas of others and make sure all voices are heard

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ABOUT WEAVERS ACADEMY



We are a mixed secondary school, catering for children between the ages of 11 and 18 years and located in Wellingborough.

Since September 2013 we have been part of the Creative Education Trust. This has enabled the school to rigorously pursue rapid improvement for the children we teach.

The school boasts many facilities, and we strive to provide an inclusive and expansive education for all of the young people in our care.

Our on-site facilities include:

- Multiple Sports Fields
- Extensive Multi-Use Games Area
- School hall with stage, equipment with auditorial technology
- Drama studio complete with sound system and mirrored wall;
- IT suites with state-of-the art technology;
- Interactive whiteboards in all classrooms;
- Modern and open-plan library with wide range of reading materials
- Brand new gym facilities
- 3 large sport halls
- Bespoke 6th Form Centre
- Leadership Hub



Summary of Weavers Academy's Progress

- The atmosphere in lessons is positive. Pupils respond well to the challenges provided by teachers.
- This is a school where staff care for pupils and are determined that they will succeed.
- The way that behaviour is managed has improved the standard of behaviour across the school.
- **Ofsted GOOD – May 2022**

To see full details of the school performance data please visit:
<https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/139068/Weavers-academy>

SUPPORT FOR OUR STAFF

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Each of the Creative Education Trust's schools benefit from a comprehensive programme of support and challenge, including working with former HMIs.

On a Wednesday afternoon, all staff take part in professional development. Each week a priority theme is explored, such as 'Improving Literacy', 'Meeting the needs of students with SEND' and 'Assessment for Learning'. Staff have opportunities to deliver a session for other staff and staff can choose which session to attend to support their own CPD goal.

All teaching staff are invited to join our Exceptional Teaching Group who meet weekly and are committed to developing evidence-informed teaching practice to improve the pedagogy and practice of our staff so that students achieve the best possible outcomes.

Creative Education Trust places a strong emphasis on CPD for teachers and for senior and middle leaders. They run a regular programme of training events to improve teaching performance and also provide focused management development and one-to-one coaching opportunities.

There are also a number of cross-group, phase leader and year-specific forums to facilitate collaboration across the schools.

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ENGLISH LEARNING AREA

The English learning area is line managed by the Vice Principal for Quality of Education. The Head of Department is supported by two Key Stage leaders and an Expert Practitioner.

Students enjoy learning English at Weavers Academy; outcomes have continued to improve in line with national averages.

We attribute these successes to the importance that we place on the quality of teaching and learning. Whole class feedback and student response to feedback is particularly strong in the English curriculum area and as a result it reinforces learning and progress.

The English department is located in its own building. All classrooms are equipped with projectors and visualisers and are serviced by teacher laptops.

The school is fortunate to have a well-stocked library, staffed by a full-time librarian. All Key Stage 3 English classes have a reading lesson per fortnight in the library.

Organisation of teaching and learning

- Lessons are taught in 1-hour periods.
 - At KS3, KS4 and KS5 students have 9 periods of English a fortnight.
 - At KS4 students study the AQA English Language and AQA English Literature programmes.
 - At KS5 students follow the AQA English Lang & Lit specification.
 - All KS3 students access Accelerated Reader.
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TEACHER OF ENGLISH JOB DESCRIPTION

LOCATION

Weavers Academy, Wellingborough

SALARY: MPR/UPR

THE ROLE

- To contribute to raising standards of student attainment and to ensure outstanding progress in English.
- To monitor and support the overall progress and development of students as a teacher/form tutor.
- To facilitate and encourage a learning experience which provides students with the opportunity to achieve their individual potential.
- To implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for students studying English.
- To engage in training to continually develop yourself as a teacher.

REPORTING LINES

The post will report to the Head of English or Key Stage Leader in English

TEACHING

- To undertake a designated programme of teaching according to your subject specialism.
- To teach students according to their educational needs, including the setting and marking of work so that all students make good progress.
- To assess, record and report on the attendance, progress, development and attainment of students and to keep such records as are required.
- To ensure a high-quality learning experience for students which meets internal and external quality standards.
- To assist in the development of appropriate syllabuses, resources, schemes of work, marking policies and teaching strategies in the learning area
- To use a variety of delivery methods which will stimulate learning appropriate to student needs and demands of the curriculum.
- To maintain discipline in accordance with the school's procedures, and to encourage good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework.

- Ensure that school policies, including the behaviour for learning, anti-bullying and attendance policies are rigorously implemented.

- Work closely with parents and students and respect the contribution that families make.

- Ensure that Child Protection issues relating to students in the sixth form are addressed swiftly and in line with the Child Protection Policy.

COMMUNICATION

- To communicate regularly and effectively with a range of staff to ensure academic outcomes and personal development.

- Communicate effectively with the parents of students as appropriate.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF CREATIVE EDUCATION TRUST

- Develop strong, positive relationships with Creative Education Trust colleagues, participating in trust-wide work and projects as appropriate.

- Participate with internal and external partners and specialists to share best practice,

SCHOOL ETHOS AND COMMUNITY

- Work with parents and students to ensure that they understand the aims of the school, its policies and procedures and future direction.

- Foster a culture where students respect others and their physical surroundings through implementing a range of strategies developed with external consultants, monitoring their impact on outcomes.

- This job description is not necessarily a comprehensive definition of the post, and the post holder will be required to undertake other duties appropriate to the grade and character of the work as directed.

- The job description will be reviewed at least once a year and it may be subject to modification or amendment at any time after consultation with the post holder.

- The duties may be varied to meet the changing demands of the school at the reasonable discretion of the principal.

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PERSON SPECIFICATION

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
QUALIFICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualified Teacher Status (or on a pathway to QTS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of teaching English at KS5
QUALITY OF TEACHING, LEARNING & PROGRESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven track record of good English teaching, marking and assessment leading to good progress • Successful experience of teaching English at KS3 and KS4 • Proven track record of strong, effective behaviour management strategies • Expertise in planning the progression of subject skills within individual and across sequences of lessons • Able to differentiate resources to meet the needs of all students effectively 	
INTERPERSONAL SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to communicate effectively and relate well to all stakeholders (including written, oral and presentation skills). • Ability to be flexible and adaptable. • Ability to work under pressure and be able to meet deadlines. • Willingness to contribute to extra-curricular activities • High standard of written and verbal communication • To be able to develop good learning relationships with students so that they are all motivated to learn and make good progress • Able to deal with confidential information sensitively and appropriately in line with academy policies 	
SAFEGUARDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people. • Ability to raise the self-esteem and expectations of children and young people. 	

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