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| Ref  | HODENG 21 |
| Grade  | MPS/UPS + TLR 2.3 of £6698 + £2500 recruitment allowance for 3 years for exceptional candidates |
| Term  | Full Time |
| Perm / Temp  | Permanent  |
| Required  | September 2021 onwards  |
| Closing Date  | Noon Monday 3rd May 2021  |

**Head of English**

Academy @ Worden
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The Governors are seeking to appoint a well-qualified, energetic, enthusiastic and inspirational leader, with a real passion for all aspects of English language and literature, to take on the leadership responsibility of our flagship department.

Worden is a small but oversubscribed school and this position would suit an experienced leader looking for a new challenge as well as one looking for their first head of department position.

The KS4 outcomes of the English department are excellent. Over recent years the Progress 8 score and percentage of pupils achieving a grade 4 and above and a grade 5 and above at GCSE are as follows:

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|  | **English 9-4 grades at GCSE** | **English 9-5 grades at GCSE** | **English Progress 8 score** |
| **2018** | 87% | 71% | +0.57 |
| **2019** | 86% | 70% | +0.74 |
| **2020** | 87% | 68% | +0.78 |

The successful candidate will work closely with the other English teachers as well as the Second in English, the Aspiring Leader for English and the Accelerated Reader co-ordinator to develop independent learning, thinking, literacy, numeracy and the love of language in order to maintain the already high standards and drive further improvement.

If you are a committed professional, enjoy a challenge and are passionate about raising standards and making a difference, you are the person we want working with us.

The successful candidate will:

- Be an outstanding practitioner
- Have a proven track record of success and sustained pupil attainment
- Have the ability to inspire and enthuse others to achieve the highest possible standards

Worden is a comprehensive Converter Academy that has a proven track record of sustained improvement and growth. In January 2020 the school underwent its second consecutive, and successful, section 8 inspection. Erica Sharman, HMI, confirmed that Academy@Worden continues to be a good school. She also highlighted ‘*that we have* *a strong and enthusiastic leadership team who have brought about improvement in all areas of the curriculum, including pupils’ personal development. Leaders have improved outcomes for pupils in the GCSE examinations. The progress that pupils make by the time they leave Year 11 is now higher than the national average’.*

Worden is committed to promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful applicant will need to undertake an enhanced DBS disclosure and appointment will be subject to receipt of suitable references, qualifications and identity checks.

Interviews: Thursday 6th May 2021

More Information can be found at www.academyatworden.co.uk

Application forms and covering letter can be emailed to the Director of Business and Finance; Mr Reed reedm@wordenacademy.co.uk.

**Essential Qualifications** - Degree in a relevant subject.
- PGCE or equivalent.
- Qualified teacher status or ability to work in secondary schools under the Wolf review recommendations (QTLS).

**Desirable Qualifications** - Recent Inset in subject related issues.
- A relevant professionally recognised leadership qualification (e.g. NCSL LFTM, Leadership Pathways) or the willingness to undertake one.

**Essential Experience** - An effective teacher with a proven track record of raising attainment with experience in teaching all ability groups.
- Ability to share their experience to sustain a curriculum which is sensitive to the needs of all children.

**Desirable Experience** - Involvement in whole school/departmental development and improvement.

For an informal discussion please contact: Headteacher - Mr A Hammersley.