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High School & Sixth Form

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Dear Applicant

Post Title: Head of English

The Post

Thank you for your interest in the above post. The vacancy arises following the retirement of Sara Peers after 26 years of exemplary service to the school. This is an exciting opportunity to lead an excellent team as well as actively contributing to whole school priorities. The post would suit a well-qualified and experienced teacher who is able to lead a team of teachers towards further success. The English Department is consistently high performing at both GCSE and A Level. The successful candidate will be an outstanding teacher of English, able to inspire students and staff. He or she will also have an awareness of the importance of English across the curriculum. In short, we are looking for the best candidate(s) who will have the greatest impact on the school and therefore our wonderful pupils.

Informal visits or conversations are welcome, please contact my PA, Mrs Gill Gobbitt, to arrange.

The School

Thomas Mills High School is a flourishing 11-18 high school at an exciting stage of its development, and I hope the enclosed information encourages you to apply. Our staff are vital to the success of the school and, if appointed, you would be joining a highly valued and hardworking team. Interest in the school is strong, and we use our academy status to focus on the curriculum. The school roll is growing at all levels.

The school is situated in the pleasant and historic town of Framlingham, and it is a place of learning. Results are consistently outstanding, and we are justifiably proud of our academic excellence. High expectations of our students and well qualified staff lead to high quality teaching and learning. Students make very good progress during their time here and move successfully into university (including Oxbridge) or employment. Our academic results consistently place us as one of the highest performing schools in Suffolk.

Our curriculum has been enhanced by specialist status in technology, arts and languages. The school is large enough to provide a range of options and facilities and yet small enough for students to develop as individuals. There is an impressive range of extra-curricular activities which supports our students as they become confident learners and active members of the community. Visitors often remark on the calm, purposeful and self-disciplined atmosphere. Our school ethos is shaped by our Charter of Values which blends tradition and innovation.

Application

If the details of the post appeal to you, please write a letter (no more than two sides of A4) explaining how your skills and experience has prepared you for the role.

All applicants will be afforded equal opportunities. The school is also committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Applicants should be aware that Thomas Mills High School will undertake a general online search as part of the application process and by completing the application form agree for us to do so.

We reserve the right to interview and appoint ahead of the closing date if we get an appropriate calibre of candidate(s).

I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely



Philip Hurst
Headteacher