**THE NORTH AND SOUTH WEST DURHAM LEARNING FEDERATION**

**The Oaks Secondary School**

**Rock Road**

**Spennymoor**

**Co Durham**

**DL16 7DB**

**Tel: 01388 827380**

**Executive Headteacher: Mrs. A. English**

**POST OF HEAD OF SCHOOL**

The Governing Body for The Oaks Secondary School wishes to appoint an inspirational and highly motivated Head of School who has drive, energy and vision. This post will be appointed on the following grade and salary:

**Group: 7**

**I.S.R.: L26-30**

The post holder will have responsibility for leadership and management of the school on a day-to-day basis and will be the first point of contact for all stakeholders and external agencies in matters relating to the school. You will be required to undertake such duties as may reasonably be directed by the Executive Headteacher in accordance with the current “School Teachers’ Pay and Conditions” document.

This post is based at The Oaks Secondary School which is a generic special school for pupils who have moderate, severe, or profound and multiple learning difficulties and/or Autism Spectrum Conditions. The school has received an outstanding grading from Ofsted in its last four inspections.

The Oaks Secondary School is federated with Evergreen Primary School at Bishop Auckland and Croft Community School at Annfield Plain and there may be a requirement to work at these schools.

Application forms and an information pack are available from and returnable to Sarah Cochrane, School Business Manager, The Oaks Secondary School, Rock Road, Spennymoor, DL16 7DB or email s.cochrane200@theoaks.durham.sch.uk

Completed applications should be returned to Sarah Cochrane at the above by Monday 2nd of October 2023 at noon, Interviews will take place on the 24th October 2023 and will be conducted by Governors of the Federation.

Potential candidates are encouraged to visit the school prior to interview.

The Oaks Secondary School is maintained by Durham County Council which is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications are welcome from applicants from all sections of the community. Applicants with disabilities will be invited for interview if the essential job criteria are met.

The Oaks Secondary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All appointments are made in accordance with safer recruitment practices and the statutory guidance in Keeping Children Safe in Education. Online checks will be carried out on all shortlisted candidates, and all appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check, satisfactory references and checks regarding suitability to work with children.