



Person Specification: HEAD OF SCHOOL

| Qualifications/Training | Essential | Desirable |
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| Holds Qualified Teacher Status | * | |
| Good Honours Degree | * | |
| Relevant post graduate qualification | | * |
| NPQH/NPQSL or other form of Headship qualification | | * |
| Experience | Essential | Desirable |
| Relevant teaching experience within a secondary school | * | |
| Experience of senior leadership within a secondary school | * | |
| Proven experience of raising standards and outcomes for pupils | * | |
| Experience of working at a whole-school level | * | |
| Experience of self-evaluation and school improvement planning including target setting and monitoring progress against targets | * | |
| Experience of transformational leadership or leading significant school improvement. | * | |
| Experience of leading INSET | * | |
| Experience of managing a team of staff | * | |
| Extensive and successful experience of working with children with significant barriers to learning | * | |
| Experience of working with school Governors, Board of Trustees | | * |
| Knowledge and Skills | Essential | Desirable |
| Current educational developments, including up to date knowledge and understanding of the current national agenda | * | |
| Understanding of Quality First Teaching and a range of effective intervention strategies to raise attainment | * | |
| Confident in school self-evaluation and monitor and evaluate effectively | * | |
| Data analysis skills including using data to determine the impact of interventions and understand/interpret external data sets | * | |
| Knowledge of evidence based research and strategies to raise attainment of all pupils including those who are disadvantaged | * | |
| Knowledge of high-quality CIAG provision and NEET prevention strategies | * | |
| Collect and weight evidence, make judgements and take decisions in line with good education practice. | * | |





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| Knowledge and experience of effective behavior for learning strategies | * | |
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| A commitment and detailed understanding of safeguarding policy and procedures | * | |
| Excellent knowledge and understanding of the National Curriculum | * | |
| Detailed understanding of the Ofsted framework | * | |
| Ability to lead by example | * | |
| To build effective and positive working relationships | * | |
| A sound understanding of the current and future issues and policies that impact on education | | * |
| Experience of successfully managing change in an organisation | | * |
| Managing School finances and budgets | | * |
| Leadership | Essential | Desirable |
| Have highly developed people skills and previous experience in leading teams effectively | * | |
| Ability to lead the school through changes, and to meet new challenges with enthusiasm, vision and flair with a positive approach to behaviour. | * | |
| Leads by example with integrity, creativity, resilience, and clarify – drawing on own expertise and skills , and that of those around them. | * | |
| The management of staff performance including supervision, target setting and capability and or conduct management procedures | * | |
| Develop leadership capacity and skills within teams and individuals | | * |
| Personal Qualities | Essential | Desirable |
| High level leadership, communication and interpersonal skills | * | |
| Ability to work collaboratively, lead, motivate and inspire others | * | |
| Commitment to equal opportunities and securing good outcomes for pupils | * | |
| Ability to work under pressure and prioritise appropriate | * | |
| Excellent organisational skills | * | |
| Strong moral purpose and drive for improvement | * | |





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| Strong attention to detail and clarity | * | |
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| The ability to travel as necessary throughout the Trust | * | |
| Well-developed interpersonal and communication skills and an ability to use new and emerging technologies to secure impact | * | |
| Demonstrates a personal enthusiasm and commitment to leadership aimed at making a positive difference to children and young people and raising standards | * | |
| Demonstrates personal and professional integrity, including modelling values and vision | * | |
| Hold high expectations for student achievement whilst having an 8innate understanding of the barriers that may prevent this for young people, and experience of leading strategies to overcome these | * | |
| Have high levels of emotional intelligence, be reflective and open minded | * | |
| A commitment to promote and support the aims and values of the MAT | * | |
| A strong team player with good interpersonal skills and the ability to work effectively as part of a team | * | |