

Head of
Technology

Closing Date:
31st May 2023
Early Applications encouraged.



Application Pack



Welcome

As partners in our community, our mission is to provide every child and young person with an enriching and inspiring educational experience, where they can thrive academically and socially, both now and in the future. By being 'Stronger Together' in our educational quality, our parent and community engagement, our investment in our people and our sustainability, we can meet our specific pledges to all of our children, communities and staff.

Our vision is to prepare every North Star Community Trust student for the changing world we live in. A world which is more global, more driven by technology, a world where anything is possible with the right preparation and attitude. That means providing a curriculum and learning experience that reflects the highest academic standards and inspires and enthuses pupils through its creativity and openness to the world around us.

Our children will be able to 'be the change they want to see in the world'. They will be resilient, optimistic, respectful, honest and well-rounded citizens, with a love of learning. At the same time, we are all also members of our communities, places where we find friendship, support and common endeavour. Being at the heart of our communities is a hallmark of North Star Community Trust.

We want our children and young people to have a sense of place, knowing the importance of 'giving back' and the value of community and togetherness to their everyday lives.

As a trust, we will foster a culture that respects diversity, safeguards our children's wellbeing and recognises that we are stronger together than we are apart. In pursuing this vision, trustees, staff and governors will model it every day, knowing that each one of us plays a part in making it a reality for every child and young person.

I would like to wish you the best of luck with your application and should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the Trust.

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Chief Executive Officer



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Our Schools, Our Community

North Star Community Trust is an educational charity that manages a family of 4 academies in North London, educating some 2,600 pupils.

We are very proud of our families, pupils, students and staff. We hope you will community.



Woodpecker Hall Academy – Edmonton

A two-form entry primary academy serving pupils from Nursery through to Year 6.

"We are a Trust that has a very strong community ethos. That is what binds the headteachers, the teaching and learning staff, and the schools together – serving our communities and inspiring the children who live at the heart of those communities."

Ms N Ross | Headteacher | Woodpecker Hall Academy



Kingfisher Hall Academy – Enfield

A two-form entry primary academy serving pupils from Nursery through to Year 6.

"Being part of North Star Community Trust is a huge opportunity for schools to support one another, to share what they do well, and to work together to share our very best practice to the benefit of every child in the Trust. We're all committed to that."

Miss G Vincent | Headteacher | Kingfisher Hall Academy



Enfield Heights Academy – Enfield

A one-form entry primary academy currently serving pupils from Reception through to Year 6.

"Being part of a family of schools is exciting and empowering, as we can learn from each other, while at the same time retaining a good level of autonomy. Shared central services keep costs down and we are able to buy in bulk with the purchasing power of a Trust."

Mrs J Powrie | Headteacher | Enfield Heights Academy



Heron Hall Academy – Ponders End

TES Headteacher of the Year 2022

Finalists for the Pearson 'Secondary School of the Year' award 2021

A new and growing secondary school, serving pupils from Years 7 through to 11.

"Many of our students come from the Trust's primary schools, which means we know a great deal about them when they join us. Our mission and purpose is clear and supported by all our staff. The Trust approach is having a transformational impact on the lives of these young people."

Mr A Barzey | Headteacher | Heron Hall Academy

North Star Community Trust

Staff Benefits Summary

This is a taxable employee benefit; however, the cost is met by the Trust. Our Scheme provides cover for routine healthcare such as optician checkups, dental treatment, physiotherapy, acupuncture and specialist consultations. This cover includes a range of benefits designed to help support your overall health and wellbeing such as specialist scans. The North Star Wellbeing Scheme gives access to a virtual GP service, GP Anytime which is provided 24 /7, 365 days a year. In addition to tax-free cover for you, the North Star Wellbeing Scheme also covers your dependants up to the age of 18 years old. There is no extra cost to add child dependants. Our scheme also gives you the option of upgrading your level of cover or adding a partner at an additional cost.

Covers items such as check-ups, braces, dentures, crowns, bridges, white fillings, veneers and teeth whitening. Also covers a practice's dental plan premiums.

Optical

Cashback on eye tests, prescription glasses, sunglasses, laser eye surgery and contact lenses.

Chiropody

Covers items such as gait analysis assessments and podiatry treatments.

Prescriptions

Covers NHS prescriptions charges or the NHS cash equivalent for private prescription treatments.

Health & Wellbeing

Covers 22 alternative therapies including allergy testing, cognitive behavioural therapy, counselling fees, hypnotherapy and sports massage.

Cashback for a full health screen, or a Well Man, or Well Woman screen. This allowance is separate to the workplace screening programme we offer as a bolt-on.

Combined Physiotherapy

Cashback for pain relieving and preventative treatments such as physiotherapy, chiropractic, osteopathy, acupuncture and homoeopathy.

Specialist Consultation and MRI Scans

Provides cashback for specialist consultation charges, including X-rays and MRI scans, as well as PMI excess charges (excludes company paid PMI).

Dental Accident

Cover for damaged teeth following a direct blow to the head. Members can claim for veneers, dentures and crowns.

24/7 Counselling and Support Helpline

24 hour telephone advice, guidance and support from trained counsellors, legal and medical professionals on a variety of lifestyle issues.

Employee Assistance Programme

Provides up to 8 face to face counselling sessions and includes a Serious Illness and Accident Support service.

Fitness and Exercise

Access to offers and discounts on a wide range of fitness clubs and gyms via Health Shield's reward website PERKS.

Online Health Assessment and Personal Coaching

Instant access to online health assessments and personal coaching tools including videos, factsheets and questionnaires.

GP Anytime including Private Prescriptions

GP consultation service via phone or webcam, where a GP can also prescribe a private prescription to be delivered to a member's home or workplace.

PERKS

Members have access to Health Shield PERKS, a website with a large range of discounted retail products and services, offers on travel, cash back on purchases and much more.

Discounts for the brands you love, all year round. Unlike voucher and flash sale sites, you'll always get great deals from brands like Apple, M&S, Virgin Media, GAP & more!

Advice Services

Our Employee Assistance Programme offers free and confidential advice which is available 24hrs, 7 days a week to you and your immediate family. You will also have access to structured counselling of up to six sessions available either face-to-face or over the phone. The service covers, but is not limited to, Family Issues, Financial Information, Legal Information, Stress & Anxiety and Bereavement.

Pension Schemes

Pension scheme (Local Government Pension Scheme for Support Staff and Teachers Pension Scheme for Teachers) - both schemes include 3 x salary life assurance cover whilst you remain in service. You don't pay tax or national insurance on your contributions and North Star Community Trust adds a generous employer contribution. All staff are entitled to opt-out of the pension scheme should they wish to do so.

Holiday Entitlement

Our support staff on 52 weeks a year contracts benefit from a holiday allowance of a minimum of 24 days. This entitlement is in addition to any Bank or Public holidays. Teaching staff and term time only support staff receive the standard school holiday allowance.

Training and Development

North Star Community Trust believes in training and developing people to achieve their potential. Whatever your aspirations, our training provision offers a range of courses and qualifications. These courses include a suite of National Professional Qualifications (NPQML, NPQSL, NPQH and NPQEL) and apprenticeship opportunities (in disciplines including IT, HR, Business Administration). North Star Community Trust have formed a partnership with The Skills Network, one of the most successful providers of online learning. As part of the partnership several FREE courses are available including: Childcare, education, enhancing skills, digital and wellbeing.

Continued professional development and opportunities across the Trust, including Masters Degrees through our partnership with Warwick University.

Affordable Accommodation

Access to affordable North Star key worker accommodation from £550 per month all inclusive of rent, utilities, internet access and maintenance.





Stronger Together

We look forward to receiving your application,
and hopefully be part of our wonderful team at
North Star Community Trust.



Job Description

Job Title	Head of Technology
Reports to	Headteacher / SLT
Location	Heron Hall Academy
Hours	Full Time 36 hours, 52 weeks
Contract Type	Permanent
Salary	Points M1 to UPS3 (£32,407.00 to £48,054.30) + Management Allowance £4,375.00 gross per annum per annum

Duties and Responsibilities

Key Responsibilities

- To lead the Technology Department at Heron Hall Academy.
- To lead a team of staff in the delivery of the Technology Curriculum so that it engages, enthuses, motivates and enables pupils to progress.
- To perform functions of a school teacher as set out in the job description for a MPS teacher.
- To plan, resource and deliver lessons and sequences of lessons to the highest standard, thereby ensuring meaningful learning takes place and pupils make rapid and sustained progress.
- To develop one's own teaching practice to a level of advanced proficiency
- To carry out the professional duties of a Teacher.
- To fully implement all routines and techniques for creating a culture of high expectations to contribute to the enrichment, extra-curricular and raising aspirations programmes
- The provision of a full learning experience and support for students.
- To implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for the students.
- To monitor and support the overall progress and development of the students as a class teacher.
- To facilitate and encourage a learning experience which provides students with the opportunity to achieve their individual potential.
- To contribute raising the standards of student progress and attainment.
- To share and support the schools' responsibility to provide and monitor any opportunities for personal growth and development.
- To provide daily pastoral tutoring to a cohort of pupils

Teaching and learning

- To plan, prepare work for and teach students according to their educational needs, including the setting and marking of all work to be carried out by the students when in school and elsewhere.
- To assess, record and report on the attendance, progress, development and attainment of students and to keep such records as required.

- To provide and or contribute to oral and written assessments, reports and references relating to individual students and groups of students in accordance to the Schools Policies and guidelines.
- To ensure that the ICT, Literacy and Numeracy are reflected in the teaching and learning experience of the students.
- To undertake a designated programme of teaching.
- To ensure a high quality learning experience for the students that meets both internal and external quality standards.
- To prepare and update subject materials.
- To use a variety of delivery methods which stimulate learning appropriate to student needs and demands of the syllabus.
- To maintain discipline in accordance with the Schools procedures and to encourage good practice in regards to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework.
- To undertake assessment of students as requested by external examination bodies, departmental and school procedures.
- To mark grade and give written / verbal and diagnostic feedback as required.

Curriculum and Development

- To assist the Head of Department and Senior Leader for curriculum in ensuring that the Technology curriculum provides a range of teaching that complements the school's strategic objectives.
- To assist in the process of the Technology curriculum development and change so as to ensure the continued relevance to the needs of the students.
- To assist in the development of appropriate syllabuses, resources, schemes of learning, marking policies and teaching strategies within the DT Department.
- To contribute to the Technology department Development Plan and its implementation.
- To plan and prepare courses and lessons.
- To contribute to the whole schools planning activities.
- To participate as appropriate in meetings at the school which relate to teaching or the organisation of the school.

Staffing

- To take part in the school's staff development programme by participating in arrangements for further training and professional development.
- To continue personal development including subject knowledge and teaching methods.
- To review from time to time your method of teaching and programmes of work.
- To participate in arrangements for further training and professional development as a Teacher as appropriate, including undertaking training and professional development which aims to meet the needs identified in appraisal objectives or statements.
- To actively engage in any arrangements made in accordance with the statutory regulations for the appraisal of your performance management review process.
- To ensure the effective and efficient deployment of classroom support.
- To work as a member of a team and to contribute positively to effective working relations within the school.

Schools Ethos

- To support the school's values and ethos by contributing to the development and implementation of policies, practices and procedures
- To help create a strong school community, characterised by consistent, orderly behaviour and caring, respectful relationships
- To help develop a school/department culture and ethos that is utterly committed to achievement and good discipline
- To be alert and active on issues relating to pupil welfare and child protection
- To support and work in collaboration with colleagues and other professionals in and beyond the school, covering lessons and providing other support as required.

Other

- To undertake, and when required, deliver or be part of the appraisal system and relevant training and professional development

The above duties are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the post holder may be required to carry out such other appropriate duties as may be required by the Headteacher within the grading level of the post, the competence of the post holder and the context of the duties of the post holder.

This job description is subject to annual review.

Person Specification: Head of Technology

Qualifications and other required experience and skills

<i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Right to work in the UK • Qualified to at least degree level • Qualified to teach and work in the UK • Ability to teach subject to A Level standard
<i>Experience</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of being, or having the potential to be, an outstanding teacher of the subject
<i>Knowledge</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to date knowledge in the curriculum area • An understanding of what an outstanding education looks like in the classroom • An understanding of the strategies needed to establish consistently high expectations.
<i>Behaviours</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership • Effective team worker • High expectations for accountability and consistency • Vision aligned with NSCT's high aspirations, high expectations of self and others • Genuine passion and a belief in the potential of every pupil • Motivation to continually improve standards and achieve excellence • Effective listening skills that lead to a strong understanding of others • Commitment to the safeguarding and welfare of all pupils.
<i>Teaching and learning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent classroom teacher, or potential to be one, with the ability to reflect on lessons and continually improve their own practice • Effective and systematic behaviour management, with clear boundaries, sanctions, praise and rewards • Thinks strategically about classroom practice and tailoring lessons to pupils' needs • Understands and interprets complex pupil data to drive lesson planning and pupil attainment • Good inter-personal, communication, planning and organisational skills • Demonstrates resilience, motivation and commitment to driving up standards of achievement • Acts as a role model to staff and pupils • Commitment to regular and on-going professional development and training to establish outstanding classroom practice.
<i>Safeguarding</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all pupils. • Adhere to the Academy's data protection procedures • Willingness to undertake in person and online safeguarding training.

- This post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service check.

Next Steps

To apply please visit TES via the green quick apply button shown on the advert. You can view the roles available at the school and apply via the TES by clicking on the link here:

<https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/head-of-technology-enfield-l807497>.

Closing date for applications is Midday 31st May 2023.

We are dedicated to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to enhanced clearance through the Disclosure and Barring Service.

In line with KCSIE updates, an online search will be conducted as part of our due diligence checks on shortlisted candidates.

We reserve the right to close this vacancy early if we receive sufficient applications for the role. Therefore, if you are interested, please submit your application as early as possible.