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KING EDWARD VI SCHOOL, BURY ST EDMUNDS

Headteacher

Salary £79,958 - £92,624

Required for Summer/Autumn 2022

King Edward VI School has a rich and distinguished history. First established in 1550 as a Royal school for talented local boys, this year it celebrates 50years as a mixed, comprehensive, Church of England Voluntary Controlled school. The school is located centrally in Bury St. Edmunds, with extensive facilities and playing fields, in the beautiful county of Suffolk.

The school was judged 'Good' by Ofsted in March 2019, who recognised the wealth of opportunities that support students’ development:

“The high-quality extra-curricular programme and pastoral care give pupils an extremely well-rounded education. Pupils play a full and meaningful part in church and community life.”

While the school enjoys continuing success and popularity, it has recently undergone significant structural change, and is now an 11-16 school, with 1195 pupils on roll, and a staff of 144 FTE. The governing body recognises that while this change has presented challenges, it also presents a tremendous opportunity to create a flagship school for the education of this distinct age-group, and a hub for learning and participation in the community.

Our aim is that the school should embody the ‘best practice’ of the future, and set the standard for curriculum design, teacher training, leadership development, and innovative learning approaches. We want to make the best possible provision for the welfare, well-being, and personal development of everyone in our community. At our school we are successful when we are all successful.

We seek a dynamic, ambitious leader with the capacity to shape a fresh and compelling vision for the 11-16 school.

You will be a compassionate and inclusive educator who is willing to embrace the ethos and values of the Church of England and their power to inspire hope, wisdom, and dignity for all, including the most vulnerable. As headteacher, you will invest in teachers and middle leaders, developing subject expertise and rich curriculum content along with high quality research-led classroom practice. Through effective management and deployment of resources you will provide exciting learning opportunities for students and staff that deepen conceptual understanding while expanding social, cultural, and spiritual horizons.

You will be supported by a strong and committed governing body who will invest in and support your own professional development, well-being and success. Your effective interpersonal, communication and collaborative skills will further develop strategic partnerships with our primary and post-16 providers, as well as with the Local Authority, the Diocese, and the King Edward VI Foundation trustees. We are a hub for the Cambridge Teaching School Network in West Suffolk and have established links with the Faculty of Education at the University of Cambridge.

Please contact Emily Cochran - ESC@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk to arrange an informal visit and/or conversation with the Chair of Governors. A virtual tour of the school is available if you follow the ‘School Prospectus’ link on the website.

You can request an application pack by contacting the Headteacher Recruitment team at: headships@suffolk.gov.uk Tel: (01473) 263943

Closing date: midday, 14 January 2022.

Interview date: 26/27 January 2022.

All vacancies appear on: www.suffolkjobsdirect.org

This authority is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. DBS checks required for relevant posts.

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