

Person Specification

Primary Headteacher

Qualifications & Experience	Essential	Desirable
Qualified teacher status in the UK	X	
Serving or returning Headteacher/Principal or Deputy	Х	
Headteacher/Principal		
Successful teaching experience within the primary sector	X	
Experience of working in more than one school		Х
Evidence of recent and appropriate professional	Χ	
development for the role of Headteacher		
NPQH - or currently working towards it		X
Leadership & Management	Essential	Desirable
An enthusiastic leader, with the ability to inspire,	Х	
challenge, motivate and empower teams and individuals		
to achieve high goals		
Ability to articulate clear vision for the academy and its	Χ	
development		
Ability to provide clear direction and shared purpose for	Χ	
staff and pupils	X	
Ability to inspire trust and confidence across the school and the appropriate.	^	
and the community.	X	
 Understanding of the requirements and expectations of the Ofsted framework 	χ	
Knowledge and understanding of strategic financial	Х	
planning and budgetary management in relation to their		
contribution to school improvement and pupil		
achievement		
Ability to delegate, manage and support the work of	Х	
individuals and teams		
An excellent communicator who is at ease with all	X	
stakeholders but particularly governors, parents, pupils		
and colleagues		
Ability to develop and sustain good relationships with	Χ	
staff, parents and governors		



Teaching & Learning	Essential	Desirable
A Leader of learning who demonstrates, promotes and	Х	
encourages outstanding classroom practice.		
Proven experience in leading Teaching and Learning for	Χ	
improvement		
Comprehensive knowledge of the curriculum	Х	
 Clear understanding and knowledge of what constitutes 	Χ	
outstanding classroom practice and learning		
Monitoring & Evaluation	Essential	Desirable
 Understanding of methods of monitoring and evaluating 	Х	
school performance data, including interpretation and		
analysis	Х	
Ability to convey the meaning of data accurately to a variety	X	
of audiences	X	
 Successful experience of strategies to raise pupil achievement 	^	
Personal	Essential	Desirable
Clear understanding and appreciation of the role of a	Х	
Principal		
High expectations of self and others	Х	
The ability to work to tight deadlines and under pressure	Χ	
An ability to use the full years of leadership cliffs and		
 An ability to use the full range of leadership skills and 	Х	
 An ability to use the full range of leadership skills and qualities, appropriate to the situation 	X	
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qualities, appropriate to the situation	X	
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