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| Head Teacher Person Specification |

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|  | **CRITERIA** | **Essential / Desirable** | **Shortlist criteria** |
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| **A** | **Qualifications and Training** |  |  |
| 1 | Honours degree (2/2 or higher) | Essential | ✓ |
| 2 | Qualified teacher status | Essential | ✓ |
| 3 | Evidence of recent and relevant continuing professional development, including leadership development | Essential | ✓ |
| 4 | Recent and relevant safeguarding training | Essential | ✓ |
| 5 | NPQH | Desirable |  |
| 6 | Post graduate level qualification or recognised alternative | Desirable |  |
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| **B** | **Relevant experience, knowledge and understanding** |  |  |
| 7 | Recent experience as a successful senior leader in the relevant phase | Essential | ✓ |
| 8 | Proven experience of securing excellent teaching through an analytical understanding of how pupils learn and the core features of successful classroom practice | Essential | ✓ |
| 9 | In-depth knowledge and understanding of the wider educational agenda including current national policies and educational issues | Essential | ✓ |
| 10 | Proven experience of curriculum design, alongside an understanding of current issues relating to this | Essential | ✓ |
| 11 | Proven track record in raising pupil attainment and progress across the whole school | Essential | ✓ |
| 12 | Proven experience of strategic financial planning to ensure the equitable deployment of budgets and resources, in the best interests pupil achievements and the school’s sustainability | Essential | ✓ |
| 13 | Proven experience of leading effective school improvement, including the review/analysis of key indicators such as pupil outcomes data, planning and implementing sustained change at whole school level | Essential | ✓ |
| 14 | Proven experience of positive behaviour management, developing a pupil focussed, inclusive and effective learning environment so that behaviour and attendance are excellent | Essential | ✓ |
| 15 | Evidence of setting ambitious standards for all pupils, overcoming disadvantage and advancing equality and inclusion | Essential | ✓ |
| 16 | Proven track record in leading, monitoring and managing staff including building a successful team, delegating effectively and empowering others | Essential | ✓ |

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| 17 | Evidence of creating an ethos within which all staff are motivated and supported to develop their own skills and knowledge | Essential | ✓ |
| 18 | Demonstrable understanding of and commitment to, addressing workload issues for staff in order to promote recruitment, retention and wellbeing | Essential | ✓ |
| 19 | Commitment to strong Governance and to working collaboratively with the Governing Body enabling them to deliver their functions effectively | Essential | ✓ |
| 20 | Ability to communicate the school’s ethos, vision and priorities to all stakeholders | Essential | ✓ |
| 21 | A commitment to developing an outward facing approach, working with other schools, agencies and organisations, in order to share best practice and secure excellent outcomes for all pupils | Essential | ✓ |
| 22 | Experience of managing HR issues, including staff appointments, capability and discipline | Desirable |  |
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| **C** | **Professional skills and personal qualities** |  |  |
| 23 | Be a visible, high profile, positive role model with an optimistic professional approach that inspires excellence, and the confidence, trust and respect of the school and wider community | Essential | ✓ |
| 24 | Effective interpersonal and communication skills appropriate to audience | Essential | ✓ |
| 25 | Work well in challenging situations and be able to prioritise work to meet deadlines | Essential | ✓ |
| 26 | Proven ability to think creatively to anticipate and identify problems/needs and construct solutions | Essential | ✓ |
| 27 | A healthy regard for a work - life balance | Essential | ✓ |