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#### Dear candidate

Thank you for your interest in the role of IT Manager at Barnwood Park School. We are proud members of the Greenshaw Learning Trust, a 'family' of like-minded schools, that collaborate to provide mutual support, share their good practice and learn from each other, whilst retaining and developing our own distinctive character.

The Trust is a vibrant and forward-thinking community of teachers, support staff and learners committed to educating the 'whole child' to improve life chances, whilst securing the best possible outcomes for students. We encourage all young people to work hard and make the most of the opportunities they are given. Our amazing team of teachers and support staff themselves demonstrate and encourage a lifelong love of learning, both within and beyond our curriculum.

As one of the highest performing multi-academy trusts in the country, we currently have schools across South London, Berkshire, Surrey, Gloucestershire and South Gloucestershire, and Plymouth. We are continuing to grow and have further schools joining us on a regular basis.

We strive to be an inclusive and diverse employer and we encourage applications from underrepresented demographics. We recognise the need to achieve a good work-life balance and encourage discussions regarding flexible working across our schools and Shared Service teams. We aim to create the conditions under which our colleagues are able to thrive and to deliver exceptional work for the young people and communities which we serve. To get a feel of life at Greenshaw Learning Trust, please download our 'Why you should work for GLT' recruitment brochure on our jobs portal.

Barnwood Park is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, therefore this appointment will be subject to vetting, including an enhanced DBS disclosure.

The school website provides a clear picture of our aspirations and our vision: however, please do not hesitate to contact us to seek further information from our School HR Manager, Miranda Hird: MHird@barnwoodpark.co.uk

We very much look forward to receiving applications from candidates whose personal qualities, values and experiences support and reflect ours.



Yours sincerely
Stephen Derry, Headteacher

At Barnwood Park, we have built our ethos on a strong set of core values which underpin everything that we do. Our aim is to give students at Barnwood Park a better chance of success than if they attended any other school in the country.

Ambition, excellence and pride run through all aspects of school life.

## **Ambition**

We have a strong desire and determination to achieve success. We believe there are no limits to what can be achieved. We do what it takes for as long as it takes. In other words, we go for it every day!

# **Excellence**

We strive for greatness in everything we set our minds to. We endeavour to do our very best and excel in all aspects of school life.

#### Pride

We are 'fiercely' proud of ourselves, our school, our community and our Trust. We hold our heads high and feel a sense of togetherness and joy in our school.

# **Department/team information**

To Lead the school' IT Services Team

# **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

## **CONTRACT**

Permanent

# **SALARY**

Salary calculated in line with NJC pay scale, points 25-30, £35,235 - £39,513 per annum. Starting salary and pay points will be aligned with relevant regional NJC spine on appointment, dependent on the location of the postholder.

## **HOURS OF WORK**

This position is a full time, permanent position working all year round.

37 hours per week (Monday to Friday).

There may be occasions when attendance outside of your normal working hours is necessary to fulfil this role, therefore flexibility is required.

#### **PLACE OF WORK**

Barnwood Park School, St Lawrence Road, Barnwood, Gloucester, GL4 3QU.

#### **PENSION SCHEME**

Under the Social Security Act 1986 the post holder has the right to make their own pension arrangements. They may choose to contribute to the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) or a Personal Pension Scheme. Details of the Local Government Pension Scheme are available at: <a href="https://www.lgpsmember.org">https://www.lgpsmember.org</a>

#### **HOLIDAY ENTITLEMENT**

The annual holiday entitlement is 26 days plus 2 extra-statutory days.

# **PROBATION PERIOD**

New employees are required to complete a six-month probationary period.

#### STATUTORY CHECKS

All employment offers are made subject to checks in line with Government guidance (some of which are dependent upon the role/individual). These include: online checks, evidence of identity and right to work in the UK, an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check, overseas criminal record check if the successful candidate has worked or resided overseas in the last five years, confirmation of a satisfactory medical report, satisfactory references, evidence of qualifications, DfE teaching/management barred list check.

# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Post:	IT Manager
Responsible to:	Regional IT Manager
Responsible for:	School IT Services Team

# **ROLE OVERVIEW**

To support the Regional IT Manager in the day-to-day management of all issues relating to IT services. To provide high-quality IT support for all members of the school community helping to maintain appropriate expectations and standards.

## MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensuring you have an oversight of the security, care and availability of the Schools IT infrastructure, fittings and equipment.
- To share technical responsibility for the smooth running of the Schools network including servers, infrastructure and software.
- To maintain the Active Directory network.
- To ensure the security and integrity of the network through careful monitoring and planned
- To share technical responsibility in the configuration and expansion of the whole School's network to maximise efficiency.
- To ensure that network hardware/software throughout the School is secure, both physically in terms of firewalls and the use of strong passwords and 2 step verification.
- To ensure that all software used in the school is legal.
- To liaise with external suppliers, agencies, service providers and partners to secure appropriate support, seek advice and prepare any required response to facilitate the effective management of the network.
- To ensure a high-quality provision of technology to facilitate outstanding teaching and learning of students of the Schools to take place at all times.
- Responsibility for the day-to-day management of the School IT Services Team.
- To meet with and report regularly to the Regional IT Manager and provide up to date information on the
  provision and upkeep of all IT equipment, including on-going projects and new needs as they arise. In
  conjunction with the Regional IT Manager, to oversee a planned programme of refresh and replace is
  carried out in relation to all IT equipment, and to identify the tasks which can be carried out in house or
  which need to be contracted externally.

- To maintain and retain accurate records of all service contracts and services provided by contractors. To
  advise the Regional IT Manager on matters relating to this and possible refurbishment/repair projects
  that may arise.
- Ensure emergency repair work is carried out in a timely manner so as not to disrupt the work of the school and the learning of students.
- To act as the lead contact for internal refresh/refurbishment projects and ensure such improvements are delivered to time, cost and quality standards with a high standard of health and safety. The duties and responsibilities in this job description are not restrictive and the post holder may be required to undertake any other duties that may be required from time to time. Any such duties should not however substantially change the general character of the post.

#### STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- To continue personal development in the relevant areas, including subject knowledge.
- To engage actively in the Performance Management process.
- To participate in whole school professional learning programmes.
- To take part in the staff development programme by participating in arrangements for further training and professional development.

# **SAFEGUARDING**

- Be keenly aware of the responsibility for safeguarding children and to help in the application of the Safeguarding Policy within the school.
- Comply with the school's Safeguarding Policy to ensure the welfare of children and young persons.
- Greenshaw Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people therefore this appointment will be subject to vetting, including an enhanced DBS disclosure.

Greenshaw Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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# **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

The successful candidate will meet the following person specification. Please note that the listed criteria will form the basis of the selection process. Applicants should address all elements of the Person Specification, demonstrating experience and where appropriate citing supporting examples, within their application

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and training		
At least five GCSEs or equivalent which must include at least a C grade in Maths and English.	х	
A vocational/academic qualification at NVQ level 4 or equivalent		Х
A management qualification.		х
Minimum Level 3 recognised professional IT qualification or equivalent		
Evidence of personal commitment to CPD	х	
Skills and experience	•	•
Extensive experience in a relevant work area.	х	
Experience of IT operating systems and server based technologies.	Х	
Expert knowledge of a range of applications and systems including by not limited to: server virtualisation, cloud technologies, wired and wireless networks.	х	
Knowledge of Google Workspace and its administration.	х	
Knowledge of backup solutions, backup principles and Disaster Recovery solutions.	х	
Expert knowledge and experience of network security.		
Advanced awareness of GDPR and Data Security best practice.	х	
Experience of managing the IT across more than one site.		х
A management qualification.		х
Experience of managing budgets, tendering, procuring and securing value for money		х
Aware of relevant education sector policies.		х
Awareness of different levels of ability and confidence of staff and pupils in using IT.		х
Experience with Microsoft operating systems and applications.		
Understanding of Safeguarding within schools.		

Personal attributes			
Ability to analyse issues, make informed judgements and take appropriate actions and accept responsibility for results.			
Ability to prioritise and problem solve to ensure that deadlines are met, whilst working under pressure.			
Ability to communicate technical language to nontechnical users.	х		
An excellent understanding of IT hardware and software systems.			
Ability to carry out repairs to hardware and peripherals as necessary			
Strong communicator with solutions based approach to problem solving.	х		
Be able to communicate clearly, both written and orally			
Possess strong interpersonal skills.			
Be dependable, able to follow instructions and respond to management directions.			
Have a willingness to extend skills through appropriate training			
People and team management skills.			
Communication skills.			
Ability to work well under pressure.			
A willingness to develop self and others.			
Ability to confidently explain ideas, concepts, deliver presentations and training to a range of stakeholders.			
A flexible approach to working hours			
Use of car and current driving licence			
Commitment to travel to other trust schools as necessary			

# THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS

#### **APPLICATION**

To apply for a vacancy, please register for an online account and complete the online application form on the GLT website. In the application form you should demonstrate how you meet the requirements set out in the person specification. Include specific examples which support your application. You will have the opportunity to upload additional documents in support of your application if required.

Please ensure you enter your correct email address when registering for your online account. This is the email address we will use to contact you about your application.

Applications must be received no later than 11.59pm on Sunday, 13th July 2025. Applications received after this date will not be considered. We reserve the right to interview candidates as applications are received and close the advert prior to the closing date should an appointment be made.

#### **INTERVIEW PROCESS**

Interviews will be held on a date yet to be confirmed. Shortlisted applicants will be invited by email to attend an interview. References may be taken up after shortlisting. Please indicate on your application form if you are happy for us to do so. As part of your interview, you may be asked to undertake a practical test related to the knowledge and abilities in the person specification.

#### **TAKING UP POST**

The successful applicant will take up the post as soon as possible

