

Person Specification

Job Title	Learning Leader of Psychology		
School	Seven Kings School	Salary Range	MPS/UPR - TLR 2B

Selection Criteria

Education and Qualifications:

- Degree status and DCSF recognised qualification
- Qualified Teacher status
- Experience, specialist knowledge and qualifications to inform leadership across all Key Stages

Experience and Training:

- Experience and a successful track record of teaching Psychology in a substantive post, up to and including Key Stage 5
- A proven record of successful leadership in a post of substantial responsibility
- Successful teaching experience across the secondary age range
- Successful experience of monitoring and evaluation practices
- Successful experience of involvement in the provision of training in a school
- Commitment to further professional development
- Evidence of working on a whole school initiative in a leading capacity demonstrating a strategic approach

Knowledge, understanding and skills:

- Knowledge and understanding of issues related to the promotion of effective learning and teaching
- Knowledge, understanding and engagement with current curriculum developments
- Knowledge and understanding of current assessment and target setting practices, including statutory requirements, underpinned by a commitment to AFL and the school's Feed Forward policy
- The ability to interpret and use soft and hard data to inform personalised support and targeted intervention for all students
- Commitment to knowledge and strategies to promote positive self-regulatory behaviour and to role model positive Behaviour for Learning and Community
- A commitment to and engagement with staff development and the nurturing of future talent through a coaching culture
- Excellent IT skills and a good awareness of the role of IT in supporting learning and teaching both in the classroom and beyond
- A continual commitment to effective leadership and management
- An understanding of the component parts that inform school review and improvement and your pivotal role within that
- A commitment and understanding of how to raise achievement for all students in a diverse all-through community school

Personal qualities:

Strong personal values and motivation to lead in line with the ethos of Seven Kings School

- Unconditional positive regard for all young people
- Excellent leadership and management skills in nurturing both students and staff and embracing this part of the role;
 evidenced understanding of and the ability to respond to cohorts and the needs of individual students to make them feel they belong
- Vision, and the ability to be strategic to stand back, see the totality of the picture, spot/be responsive to trends, plan, communicate, influence others and win their support and commitment and be responsive to your development in doing this
- An ability to develop talented teachers, supporting and motivating staff and live the belief that all staff have the capacity to improve
- A curious thinker of the world, asking questions of education and engaging with alternate and diverse perspectives
- Excellent interpersonal skills; evidence of good relationships with students, parents and colleagues
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- The ability to communicate well and persuasively with a range of audiences, staff, parents, students, external agencies
- An enthusiasm for the post and ability to motivate and inspire and influence pupils, staff, parents / carers and Governors
- A high level of commitment to the school and its continuing development
- Flexibility and the ability to balance priorities and absorb pressure both for yourself and others seeking support as needed

General:

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection
- To demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to equal opportunities and diversity and to the standards of care
- Be responsible for own health and safety as well as that of colleagues, students and the public