

# "Making School Memorable by Striving for Excellence"

# **Person Specification**

**Post Title:** Reception Class Teacher **Grade:** Main Pay Scale

## Qualifications

# **Essential**

- Qualified Teacher Status (where a suitable QTS candidate cannot be found, an unqualified and/or work permit teacher may be appointed)
- Good Degree
- Ability to teach across subject areas

# **Desirable**

- Good Honours Degree
- Further Professional Qualifications

# **Experience**

### **Essential**

- Experience of teaching in the phase
- Clear evidence of successful teaching across the full ability and age range
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Good practice in social inclusion
- Good time management skills
- Good knowledge of New Development Matters Curriculum

#### **Desirable**

- Successful use of data and tracking (Target Tracker)
- Successful use of 2Simple Assessment Software
- An understanding of how Assessment for Learning approaches can be used to enhance pupils' performance

# **Knowledge and Understanding**

#### **Essential**

- Good communication, administration and organizational skills
- Effective management of pupil behaviour
- Provision for SEND, vulnerable and "at risk" children

#### Desirable

Experience of working with SEN/EAL pupils

## **Skills and Abilities**

## **Essential**

- Emotional literacy and empathy for all young people
- Positive attitude towards school improvements and raising achievement
- Dynamic and innovative approach to teaching and learning developments within a department
- Ability to model effective teaching methods and work with others in the development of teaching and learning of the most able
- Able to work in such a way as to secure the professional respect of colleagues and be adept at developing the knowledge, skills and understanding of those colleagues
- Ability to assess and promote pupil progress and their needs in a variety of ways
- Good interpersonal and communication skills
- Effective organisational skills and the ability to meet deadlines
- Ability to work strongly in a team both within the school and department
- Ability to form and maintain excellent relationships with parents

#### **Desirable**

- Experience of running clubs
- Ability to present new approaches to teaching and learning both at department and whole school level

# **Equal Opportunities**

#### Essential

- Awareness and commitment to equal opportunities issues and how these can be addressed in the classroom environment
- Commitment and contribution to School policies
- Committed to the promotion of equal opportunities, fundamental British values\*\* and Cooperative values\*\*\*

#### **Desirable**

- Proven track record of improving attainment for targeted groups of learners
- Able to develop best practice through wide range of imaginative approaches

#### **Child Protection**

#### **Essential**

 Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education, September 2021, including regulated activity relevant to children.

#### **Disposition**

#### **Essential**

- To be interested in pupils as individuals and how they learn
- To display a warm and approachable demeanour
- A flexible approach and sense of humour
- To display a professional manner
- To be positive and constructive
- To be resilient and assertive
- Empathetic and sensitive to differing viewpoints
- Belief in the importance of teamwork
- Flexible approach to changing environments
- Commitment to the comprehensive ideal, social inclusion and to raising standards for all pupils
- Willingness to contribute to extra-curricular activities within the Lower School

# Desirable

- Experience of undertaking whole school duties and responsibilities
- Ability to plan strategically to meet goals
- Engagement in own continuous professional development

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Fundamental British values – democracy, the role of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Co-operative values – self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality and solidarity in addition to the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others