May 2024

Dear Candidate

**Re: Candidate Pack for Teacher of Computing and ICT**

On behalf of Oldbury Wells School and the Applied Studies Department, I would like to thank you for your interest in the post Teacher of Computing and ICT.

We are looking for candidates who will bring additional experience to a well-established team, who actively promote and understand what makes Oldbury Wells such an effective school and who appreciate and promote our inclusive school ethos. We are interested in candidates who are keen to develop themselves professionally and embrace all elements of school life. In return, we offer a school which is a great place to be and a great place to learn, where students Enjoy, Aspire and Achieve within all elements of their academic and personal development.

Oldbury Wells School provides an inclusive, learning environment that enables all our students to learn and achieve. Our students are thoughtful, enthusiastic, and keen to do well. They are also keen to be involved with the many activities and enrichment opportunities on offer to them here at our school. School governors, alongside key members of the TrustEd Schools Alliance are fully supportive and determined to ensure that Oldbury Wells School continues to provide an excellent education and to build on its very strong reputation.

Should you require any further information or seek to visit the school we would ask you to contact Mrs Kate Dwane (Headteachers PA) who will arrange for a member of the team to make a call with you in the first instance, email kate.dwane@oldburywells.com. You will also find a wealth of information giving further detail about the school on our website [www.oldburywells.com](http://www.oldburywells.com)

We do hope that you will decide to apply and look forward to receiving your application, along with a letter of introduction, which should be sent to Mrs Dwane at the above email address. Your letter of introduction should be no more than two sides of A4 and include why you believe you are a suitable candidate for the post.

The closing date is **Monday 20th May at 12pm**

Interviews to be held soon as soon as possible after closing date.

Thank you once again for your interest in our school.

Yours sincerely

**Mr Lee Tristham**

Headteacher

**Oldbury Wells School**

**Job Description – Teacher of Computing and ICT**

**Title: Teacher of Computing and ICT**

**Reports to:** Director of Learning (Applied Studies)

**Salary:** MPR/UPR

**Responsible for:** Delivery of Curriculum Programme

**Key Duties and Responsibilities**

* To be responsible for adding value to every learner in each teaching group benchmarked against national criteria and data.
* To deliver, plan and prepare lessons in accordance with the planned curriculum.
* To deliver learning by utilising School Policies.
* To work as part of and contribute to developments across the science team to ensure a creative and innovative learning and teaching occurs in every lesson.

**Teaching and Learning**

* Use a variety of learning and teaching strategies to deliver outstanding lessons to all students ensuring pace and challenge are maintained.
* Understand and integrate the use of New Technologies into learning experiences in order to raise levels of achievement.
* Plan lessons and extended learning opportunities in line with Schemes for Learning.
* Ensure learning objectives and outcomes are communicated to every learner in line with School policy.
* To differentiate appropriately, taking into account individual learner needs.
* Make use of extended learning opportunities for use outside of School lessons.
* Utilise effectively, Learning Support staff in lessons.
* Participate in the School Improvement Framework
* Work efficiently and creatively using the full range of resources available, including other adults and mentors.
* Provide a positive learning climate within lessons to promote a meaningful staff – student relationship and interaction.
* Adhere to the Schools Behaviour for Learning Policy and ensure implementation in everyday life.
* Regularly evaluate the progress of students in relation to their prior attainment and use data to inform teaching and learning.
* Report, as required, in line with the Schools Reporting for Learning Policy to a variety of stakeholders including students, parents, line managers and the Senior Leadership Group.
* Mark work in accordance with the School’s Assessment for Learning Policy providing both formative and summative feedback on a regular basis.
* To take responsibility for individual professional development and use the outcomes to improve learning and teaching.
* To demonstrate a thorough and up-to-date knowledge of learning and teaching taking into account wider curriculum developments, which are relevant to your work, e.g. National and Department for Education initiatives.
* To be aware of the School’s Anti-bullying Policy and support students as necessary***.***
* To maintain good order and behaviour for learning among students, with particular regard to Health and Safety, both on the school premises and when engaged in authorised activities elsewhere.

**Wider Professional Effectiveness**

* Participate in and engage with School Inset and Professional Development, whether in-house or external.
* Through the mechanisms of Appraisal and Quality Assurance, demonstrate improvement in your role as a result of Professional Development and Inset.
* Disseminate the outcomes of Inset to other staff and ensure that the Senior leadership group are aware of such innovation and cutting edge development.
* Effectively contribute to the school improvement planning process.

**Role Model**

* Ensure that ‘no student is left behind’, in their school and personal development.
* Conform to the School’s Dress Code for staff and demonstrate exceptional standards of presentation, conduct and time keeping.
* Build team commitment amongst students and staff alike.
* Engage and motivate students and staff to do their best by doing your very best.
* Demonstrate a positive approach to your professional duties and improve the quality of student learning.

**Additional Components**

* To consistently uphold the school’s aims and strive to attain School Targets.
* To work in a cooperative and polite manner with all stakeholders and visitors to promote and enhance the reputation of the school.
* To work with students within the framework of the school in a courteous, positive, caring and responsive manner.
* Play a full part in the life of the school’s community, to support its distinctive mission and ethos and to encourage staff and students to follow this example.
* Be courteous to colleagues, visitors and telephone callers and provide a welcoming environment.
* Demonstrate both enthusiasm and high standards of professionalism to all school stakeholders.
* It is the responsibility of each employee to carry out their duties in line with all school Policies promoting a positive approach to a harmonious working environment.
* The job purpose and key task statements above are indicative and by nomeans exclusive. Given the evolving status of the school, the need forflexibility amongst staff is therefore considered important.
* To undertake any other duties deemed reasonable by the Senior Leadership Group for the post at this level.

**Health and Safety Responsibilities**

* All staff have a responsibility to be aware of, comply and act upon the Health and Safety Policies of school/Trust and undertake risk assessments as appropriate. Full details can be accessed via the staff work area.
* The school is a designated no smoking site, any incidents should be reported immediately.

***The School/Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.***

***This post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service Check (DBS) and Online and Social Media checks.***

***Satisfactory employment references, identification, and qualification checks which***

***will be required prior to commencing duties to establish the suitability of the candidate.***

The above list is indicative and not exhaustive. The post holder will be expected to carry out any other duties associated with the work of the school as may be directed by the Chief Executive/Head of School, commensurate with the grade of the post. This job description will be reviewed and updated periodically in order to ensure that it relates to the job performed or to incorporate any proposed changes. This procedure will be conducted by the Head of School/Line Manager in consultation with the post holder and if applicable the relevant trade union. In these circumstances it will be the aim to reach agreement on reasonable changes but if agreement is not possible management, the employee and Trade Unions will continue to consult within an agreed time period to seek a reasonable solution to amend and make changes to the job description which are agreeable by both parties.

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**Person Specification – Teacher of Computing and ICT**

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| Specification  | Essential | Desirable | Evidence |
| *Qualifications* |  |  |  |
| Qualified Teacher Status | ✓ |  | F |
| Degree level or equivalent | ✓ |  | F |
| Continuing good record of professional development | ✓ |  | F |
| *Experience* |  |  |  |
| Capacity to teach IT  | ✓ |  | F |
| Capacity to teach Computer Science |  | ✓ |  |
| Teaching or training in a secondary school across KS3 & KS4 and across ability range | ✓ |  | F |
| Achievement of high standards  | ✓ |  | L,I |
| Motivating students and enabling them to enjoy learning |  | ✓ | L,I |
| *Skills* |  |  |  |
| Demonstrating good/outstanding teaching | ✓ |  |  |
| Knows personal limits and can ask for help | ✓ |  |  |
| High levels of self-organisation | ✓ |  |  |
| Good team worker |  | ✓ |  |
| *Knowledge* |  |  |  |
| The range of teaching strategies, technologies and classroom opportunities open to teachers | ✓ |  | L,I |
| The range of learning strategies used by learners | ✓ |  | L,I |
| Understanding of the importance of IT for students and their future lives | ✓ |  |  |
| Current developments in Computing, IT and Computer Science |  | ✓ | L,I |
| *Personal Qualities* |  |  | L,I |
| High degree of interest in IT/Computing in terms of personal and educational use | ✓ |  | L,I |
| Enthusiasm, energy and commitment | ✓ |  | L,I |
| Professional manner and organisation | ✓ |  | L,I |
| Willingness to contribute to the life of the school | ✓ |  | L,I |
| High expectations of self and others | ✓ |  | L,I |
| Pupil centred attitude | ✓ |  | L,I |
| *Other* |  |  |  |
| Fully supportive references | ✓ |  | R |
| Professional standard of dress in accordance with Q3 Staff code | ✓ |  | I |
| *DBS Clearance* |  |  |  |
| Working in an educational establishment, children’s day or residential care home | ✓Enhanced |  |  |
| Involved in caring, training, supervising or being in sole, unsupervised contact with children | ✓Enhanced |  |  |