Netherhall School

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Netherhall School – Art, Design and Technology Department

This is an exciting time to join Netherhall School, rated "Good" in all categories in the Ofsted inspection of February 2018, with a consolidating reputation for excellence, aspiration, inclusion, and with a considerable increase in the number of students choosing to join the school.

'Staff and pupils say, without question, the Headteacher has been an inspiration, giving them belief that all can achieve. Throughout his tenure, the Headteacher has demonstrated passion, integrity and highly skilled leadership. This school has been transformed in a remarkably short period of time.'

Ofsted, February 2018.

Netherhall School's art, design and technology department is an experienced, committed and cohesive team. The team currently consists of three full time teachers, two part time teachers and a full-time technician.

'Pupils are enthusiastic about learning and teachers are enthusiastic about teaching. Pupils have considerable respect for their teachers because they believe their teachers are doing a great job!'

Ofsted, February 2018.

Throughout years 7, 8 and 9, students have two 50-minutes lessons per week. At the end of year 9, students choose their options and we currently offer both art, photography, hospitality and catering at GCSE. For the academic year 2022-23, we will be expanding our GCSE provision to also offer GCSE design technology and graphic communication. Students in years 10 and 11 have three 50-minutes lessons per week.

'Relationships throughout the school are excellent. There is great mutual respect between adults and pupils.'

Ofsted, February 2018.

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Students have the opportunity to study a range of artists and designers and use a variety of materials and processes throughout KS3, preparing them for GCSE and A level studies. We have a very well-equipped technology department where we have access to a large food room, CAD software, a laser cutter, kiln, 3D printers and a bespoke technology area with multiple workshops and work spaces.

'Pupils love coming to school.'

Ofsted, February 2018

The department delivers the Edexcel courses and qualifications at both GCSE and A level.

We currently offer AQA A level fine art and photography, which has proven to be very popular, with students achieving consistently outstanding results. Students have six 50-minute lessons per week, and have the option to study both qualifications; due to the popularity of the art design and technology in the school, we are looking to develop this offer to include A level design technology: product design.

'Pupils are proud of their school.'

Ofsted, February, 2018

Relationships between teachers and their students are very positive; design technology is a very popular subject with students at KS3, and we now aim to continue this level of engagement into both GCSE and A level.

Teachers in the art, design and technology department are passionate about their subject and have very high expectations and aspirations for all students; we are an experienced, cohesive team of professionals who support students through all stages of their education and nurture each child's aspirations.

This a fabulous opportunity for a newly qualified, recently qualified or experienced, dedicated, passionate and enthusiastic teacher. If you would like to work in a superb school, be well supported, work with brilliant students, utilise great facilities, be part of an excellent, supportive and progressive team, then please apply.

Miss H Cotton

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