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Dear Colleague

Teacher of Religious Studies

Thank you for requesting details of our vacancy. We appreciate your interest in us and hope you find the details will inspire you to apply by 9.00am on Monday 4th March 2024. Chenderit School is at an exciting point in its development with ambitious plans and targets in place for the next few years. We wish to appoint a colleague who will inspire our students, be an exciting and hardworking team member, and will be ambitious to be part of a school community which is challenging itself to become one of the best comprehensive schools in the country. At Chenderit we value professional development and actively support exciting and stimulating projects which enhance the capacity of our teachers. Our hope is that colleagues in the Chenderit team will look back on the next few years of development here as the most exciting and rewarding parts of their career.

This is a rewarding school in which to work because of the combination of the professionalism of our staff, the support of our parents and the Governing Body and the attitudes of our students – not to mention our facilities and general environment for learning. We are a good school, with an outstanding sixth form, but we want to be an outstanding school overall, with national recognition for excellence in all areas. To achieve this we need to instil even greater ambition, self-belief and resilience in our students and provide them with even broader and more relevant educational experiences. Our students are wonderful young adults, very sociable and personable – but they could do more! We have the confidence as a school to say that we can be even better and that we will be even better. Through this journey, our teachers are fully supported and trained to maximise their potential, being the best we can be. Every new member of staff will be given many opportunities to shine and move forward in their career. I do not expect this post holder to simply join our team – I expect them to enhance our team.

Our school is popular and over subscribed because of our reputation for innovation and achievement. We have 1100 full time students, and ambitions to expand our community provision.

We consider this post to be an outstanding opportunity to work within a supportive school, which values creativity and imaginative teaching and learning approaches. We operate an open management structure and everyone participates in many of the key discussions for our future.

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The Religious Studies Department offers teaching rooms that are well equipped and all members of staff are supplied with a laptop. The departmental office has desks and storage space for Religious Studies teachers and all members of the departmental team are keen to share resources and good practice. The Religious Studies department consists of an experienced, supportive and high performing team. We have thorough lesson plans and resources for all key stages, although we are always open to innovation and development. We teach all students in Key Stages 3 and 4 with the majority of Year 11 students taking a GCSE in the subject. We also offer Religious Studies at A level. All examined courses achieve excellent outcomes. The Religious Studies Department has a good reputation within the school and is well respected by our students.

In your letter of application, please outline the following:

- How you will inspire all groups of students so that they are successful in RS learning;
- How you will contribute to a RS team that is committed to exciting and stimulating teaching and learning.

Would you please restrict your letter to a maximum of two sides of A4.

We appreciate that applying for posts and interviews are time consuming and important, therefore, we really do appreciate the effort that goes into it. Thank you for your interest in us and good luck!

Yours sincerely

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