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Dear Candidate

Thank you for your interest in the position of Teaching Assistant (SEMH) within our specialist provision, the ASPIRE Centre, here at Sir John Nelthorpe School.

We are a well-established and high-performing 11–19 mixed comprehensive school, proud of our long-standing heritage and the strength of our school community. At Sir John Nelthorpe School, we are committed to delivering a supportive, inclusive, and ambitious learning environment where every pupil is valued and enabled to thrive—academically, socially, and emotionally.

The ASPIRE Centre is a key part of this commitment. It provides bespoke support for a cohort of Key Stage 3 and 4 students who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) diagnosis and/or Social, Emotional, and Mental Health (SEMH) needs. Our aim is to nurture pupils' confidence, resilience, and independence while enabling them to access learning and make meaningful progress, both personally and academically.

The role of the Teaching Assistant (SEMH) is central to our success. Working closely with our ASPIRE Centre Managers and a dedicated Learning Mentor, you will provide targeted support to help pupils overcome barriers to learning. The position calls for empathy, patience, and a genuine desire to make a difference in the lives of young people.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a forward-thinking team within a school that values personal development and professional growth. You will be supported by experienced colleagues and have access to relevant training to develop your expertise in supporting pupils with ASD and SEMH needs.

If you are passionate about inclusion and believe in the transformative power of education, I encourage you to apply. We are looking for someone who will bring commitment, creativity, and compassion to the role, and who will work collaboratively to make a lasting impact on our pupils' lives.

I look forward to receiving your application and learning more about the skills and experiences you could bring to this rewarding role.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Biglands
Headteacher



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