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|  | **The Matthew Arnold School** **Application Form****School Support Staff Posts***Confidential* |

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| **Information for Applicants:**Please complete this form in **black ink** or **type** in the spaces provided. If you need more space than is provided, please continue on an additional sheet of paper. Please note that we **cannot accept CVs**. |
| Please return your completed form to: | **Alison Alder****School Business Manager** **The Matthew Arnold School****Kingston Road** **Staines upon Thames** **TW18 1PT**  | Ref. No. *(Office Use Only)* |
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| The deadline for receipt of completed applications is: |  |

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| **Details of Post Applied For:** |
| Job Title |  |
| Job Reference Number (if any) |  |
| Please confirm the date you would be able to start work, if successful |  |

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| **Personal Details:** |
| Title |  | First Name(s) |  |
| Surname |  | Date of Birth[[1]](#footnote-1) |  |
| If you have previously been known by another name, please specify: |  |
| Address |  |
| Contact Details | Please only include contact numbers or email addresses that you are happy for us to use. |
| Daytime Contact Number: |  |
| Evening Contact Number: |  |
| Mobile Number (if different): |  |
| Email Address: |  |
| National Insurance Number |  |
| Do you currently have the right to work in the UK? | YES | NO | If no, please specify your circumstances below: |
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| **Education and Qualifications:** |
| Please also include any relevant professional qualifications. |
| Name of Institution (e.g. School, College or University) | Dates Attended | Courses/Subjects Taken and Examinations Results or Award |
| From (Month/Year) | To (Month/Year) |
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| **Professional Development:** |
| Please give details of any courses undertaken which you have not detailed above and which you consider to be relevant to this application. |
| Course Title | Course Provider | Dates Attended | Award (if any) |
| From (Month/Year) | To (Month/Year) |
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| **Membership of Professional Bodies:** |
| Please give details of any relevant professional bodies to which you belong. |
| Name of Professional Body | Membership Status | Date Membership Commenced |
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| **Employment History:** |
| Please give details of **all periods of employment** you have undertaken. List the information in reverse chronological order (i.e. with your current or most recent position first). Any gaps in your employment and/or training and education history will be explored with you if you are called for interview. Please use a continuation sheet if necessary. |

| Employer’s Name and Address | Dates Employed From and To (Month/Year) | Position Held | Salary and Benefits | Reason for Leaving |
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|  **Periods When Not Working:** |
| Please give details below of any voluntary work you have not detailed above, or reasons for other periods of time when you have not been employed since leaving secondary education. |
| Date From (Month/Year) | Date To (Month/Year) | Reason |
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| **Statement of Application:** |
| You are invited to provide further information in support of your application. Please make full use of this section and continue on additional sheets if necessary. Please refer to the person specification for the post and also include:* The reasons why you are applying for this post;
* The personal qualities and experience that you feel are relevant to your suitability for the post;
* Key responsibilities and achievements in your present or most recent job which are relevant to this application;
* Details of any relevant interests or activities.
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| **Referees:** |
| * References will only be sought for shortlisted candidates. **It is our policy to obtain references prior to interview. If you have concerns regarding this, please contact us.**
* The first referee provided **must** be your present or most recent employer, unless you have not been in employment before. If you are not currently working with children but have done so in the past, your second referee **must** be that employer.
* If any of your references relate to your employment at a school or college your referee **must** be the Headteacher or Principal.
* If you are currently working with children, your present employer will be asked about any disciplinary offences relating to children (whether current or time expired), whether you have been the subject of any substantiated child protection concerns and, if so, the outcome of these investigations. If you are not currently working with children but have done so previously, these issues will be raised with your former employer.
* Please do not name relatives or people acting solely in their capacity as friends as referees.
* **Other previous employers may also be approached for information, prior to interview, to verify details on your application form, such as particular experience or qualifications.**
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| **Referee 1** | **Referee 2** |
| Title (Miss/Mr etc) |  | Title (Miss/Mr etc) |  |
| Name |  | Name |  |
| Occupation |  | Occupation |  |
| Address |  | Address |  |
| Tel. Number |  | Tel. Number |  |
| Fax Number |  | Fax Number |  |
| Email Address |  | Email Address |  |
| In what capacity do you know the referee? |  | In what capacity do you know the referee? |  |

| **Reasonable Adjustments to the Shortlisting Process:** |
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| The School welcomes applications from disabled people. Please indicate in the box below if there is anything that we need to do, or take into consideration, to ensure that the shortlisting process is fair in relation to a disability. |
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| Candidates who are invited for interview will be asked in the invitation letter if they require any adjustments to be made to the interview or other selection activities. |

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| **Declarations:** |

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| *If you are appointed you will be required to undertake an Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check (previously known as a CRB check). The amendments to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (2013 and 2020) provides that when applying for certain jobs and activities, certain convictions and cautions are considered ‘protected’. This means that they do not need to be disclosed to employers, and if they are disclosed, employers cannot take them into account. Guidance about whether a conviction or caution should be disclosed can be found on the Ministry of Justice website at:*[*https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/new-guidance-on-the-rehabilitation-of-offenders-act-1974*](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/new-guidance-on-the-rehabilitation-of-offenders-act-1974)*Having a criminal record will not necessarily prevent you from taking up appointment; this will depend on the nature of the offence(s) and their relevance to the post you are applying for.  However, should you****not****declare anything that is relevant, this is subsequently revealed, e.g. through the DBS check, then this may place your appointment in jeopardy.**New filtering rules do not apply for individuals who have two or more convictions. Guidance and criteria on the filtering rules can be found at the Disclosure and Barring Service website at:*[*https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/filtering-rules-for-criminal-record-check-certificates*](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/filtering-rules-for-criminal-record-check-certificates)*.  Also, because positions in schools are considered to be ‘excepted’, when your certificate is issued it may contain information on spent convictions that the DBS decides your employer needs to take into account in order to ensure the protection of vulnerable groups, including children.  In addition, some specific offences will never be removed from a DBS certificate, such as serious sexual and violent offences.  You can view this specified list of offences at:*[*https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-list-of-offences-that-will-never-be-filtered-from-a-criminal-record-check*](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-list-of-offences-that-will-never-be-filtered-from-a-criminal-record-check)*.**Further guidance on what convictions you must declare and a policy on recruiting ex-offenders are available from the school.* |
| **Please answer the following questions:** |
| Do you have any convictions or cautions (excluding youth cautions, reprimands or warnings) that are not ‘protected’ as defined by the Ministry of Justice **and/or** are you the subject of a current police investigation or have criminal proceedings pending against you? | YES/NO |
| Are you on the Children’s Barred List (previously List 99 and PoCA list) or have you ever been disqualified from working with children or been subject to any sanctions imposed by a regulatory body (e.g. General Teaching Council, Teaching Agency)? | YES/NO |
| **It is a criminal offence for barred individuals to seek, or to undertake, work with children.**If you have answered ‘YES’ to either of the above, please provide **further details on a separate sheet in a sealed envelope marked ‘CONFIDENTIAL’.** |
| **Are you currently registered with the DBS Update Service (*service only available from 17.06.13*)?** | YES/NO |
| **If YES, please provide the information below. If NO, please proceed to the next section.** |
| DBS Registration Number |  | Annual Registration Renewal Date |  |
| Level of check obtained at point of registration? (*select one*) | STANDARD / ENHANCED |
| Which workforce was your check requested for at point of registration? (*select one*) | CHILDREN / ADULT / ADULT & CHILDREN / OTHER |
| **Declaration:** By signing this application form and providing the information above I understand that I am authorising the school to consult the DBS Update Service in the context of its recruitment and safeguarding procedures and agree to provide the relevant disclosure certificate to facilitate this process. |

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| **Declaration of Relationships:** |
| Are you related to, or do you have a close personal relationship with, any elected member or senior officer of the local authority, member of the Bourne Education Trust (staff or Trustee), or member of staff or governor of the school? | YES / NO |
| If YES, please provide below his/her name and role, and state your relationship: |
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| I declare that the information I have given on this form is correct. I understand that providing false or misleading information is an offence which could result in my application being rejected, or, in the event of employment being obtained, may result in disciplinary action being taken, up to and including summary dismissal. It could also result in a referral to the police. I understand that my application form will be retained on file for a period of six months (or transferred to my personnel file in the event that my application is successful) and give my consent for the personal data supplied to be used for the purposes of recruitment and selection. |
| Signature of Applicant |  | Date |  |
| If you have submitted your application electronically, you will be asked to sign your application form in the event that you are shortlisted and called for interview. |
| **Thank you for your application. Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope if you require acknowledgement of its receipt. Otherwise, in the interest of public economy, only shortlisted applicants will receive further notification.****Retention of Application Forms:** It is the Bourne Education Trust’s policy to retain all application forms for unsuccessful applicants for a period of six months, after which time they are securely destroyed. If another suitable vacancy arises during that period which we think might suit your skills and experience, we may contact you to make you aware of the vacancy. If you **wish** us to use your application form in this way, please tick this box ❑.  Application forms for all unsuccessful candidates who do not tick this box will be securely destroyed after short-listing, or after interview if they proceed to that point.  |

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| **Equality Monitoring Form** |
| The School aims to select staff on merit, irrespective of race, sex, disability, age or other protected characteristics. In order to monitor the effectiveness of the School’s Equality Policy and recruitment procedures, we ask that all applicants complete this form and return it with their application. In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, the information provided will only be used for the purposes of equality monitoring and to inform improvements to our policies. **The form will be separated from your application upon receipt and will not be shared with the selection panel.** Thank you. |
| Post Applied For: |  | Where did you see this post advertised? |  |
| ***Please tick whichever boxes apply. If you prefer not to provide certain information, please leave the box blank.*** |
| **Gender:** | Female |  | Male |  |  |  |  |

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| **Age:** | 16-24 |  | 25-34 |  | 35-44 |  | 45-54 |  | 55-64 |  | 65+ |  |  |

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| **Disability:** | Do you consider yourself to have a disability? | Yes |  | No |  |  |

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| **Ethnicity:** | Please tick **one** category below. The categories are based on the population census. |
| **Asian, Asian British, Asian English, Asian Scottish or Asian Welsh:** |  | **Chinese, Chinese British, Chinese English, Chinese Scottish, Chinese Welsh or other ethnic group:** |
| Bangladeshi |  |  | Chinese |  |
| Indian |  |  | Any other ethnic background (specify if you wish): |  |
| Pakistani |  |  |
| Any other Asian background (specify if you wish): |  |  | **Mixed:** |
|  | White and Asian |  |
| **Black, Black British, Black English, Black Scottish or Black Welsh:** |  | White and Black African |  |
| African |  |  | White and Black Caribbean |  |
| Caribbean |  |  | White and Chinese |  |
| Any other Black background (specify if you wish): |  |  | Any other Mixed background (specify if you wish): |  |

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| **White:** |
| British |  |  | Scottish |  |
| English |  |  | Welsh |  |
| Irish |  |  | Any other White background (specify if you wish): |  |

1. The Governing Body complies with the Equality Act 2010 and does not discriminate against job applicants on the grounds of age. Date of birth and other key dates are requested of applicants for identification purposes and to verify that a full education and employment history has been provided, in accordance with statutory guidance from the DfE (“Keeping Children Safe in Education”). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)