

Person Specification

POST TITLE: Head of English

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	 Degree in a relevant subject. PGCE or equivalent. Qualified teacher status (QTS) or ability to work in secondary schools under the Wolf review recommendations.(QTLS) 	 Recent Inset in subject related issues. A relevant professionally recognised leadership qualification (e.g. NCTL LFTM, NPQML, Leadership Pathways, NPQSL).
Experience	 Ability to share their experience to sustain a curriculum which is sensitive to the needs of all children. Ability to implement strategies which achieve high standards in a curriculum area Experience of the National Curriculum for Key Stages 3 and 4 Experience of using data to develop departmental improvement strategies. 	Involvement in whole school development & improvement.
Ability/Skills	 Excellent ICT skills. Able to lead, manage and mentor a team. To have substantial knowledge and understanding of current educational issues. To have substantial knowledge of current teaching pedagogy. Able to develop and monitor school policy across faculties/departments. Able to communicate effectively. Able to liaise with, motivate and inspire pupils and a range of staff across faculties/departments and liaise with external agencies. Able to ensure Numeracy and Literacy are integral to students' learning. Able to understand, interpret and effectively apply data to all aspects of school life and departmental leadership. 	An understanding of issues relating to whole school improvement.
Equal Opportunities	 Commitment to equal opportunities. Ability to promote and support the school's Equality and Diversity Policy. 	
Disposition	 Ability to work hard with competing deadlines, prioritising appropriately and maintaining good humour. To be interested in children as individuals, in how they learn and be committed to the comprehensive ideal. To believe in the importance of team work and a collaborative approach and be able to build supportive 	



working relationships with colleagues both within and outside the department.	
 Evidence of commitment to and understanding of collective responsibility. Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. 	