**Sir Tom Finney Community High School**

Ribbleton Hall Drive, Preston, PR2 6EE

School website: www.stfch.lancs.sch.uk

Age range: 11-19

Number on roll: 179

**Assistant Headteacher**

L14 – L19

An exciting leadership opportunity has arisen at this very successful secondary special school. We are seeking an assistant headteacher to take key responsibility for:

* **Teaching, learning and progress**
* **Assessment, achievement and attainment**
* **Whole school curriculum leadership and management**

Sir Tom Finney Community High is a community special school for pupils with a wide range of learning difficulties and disabilities. Our school moved to its current spacious and well-equipped site in 2015 and is due additional refurbishment and build from Summer 2021 to expand its capacity to 245 on roll planned from September 2022.

Our dedicated and enthusiastic staff team work together to provide an appropriate, relevant and lively, nurturing environment in order to meet the individual needs, abilities and aspirations of all our students, supporting their learning, development and preparation for adulthood.

We take great pride in all the achievements of our students and in the very effective partnerships we have established with other professional services, families and the wider community.

We are looking to appoint an assistant headteacher who:

* shares our passion in ensuring every student succeeds and achieves the best possible outcomes
* Is enthusiastic about evaluating student progress
* demonstrates enthusiasm and professional drive to contribute to the school's future development, working in partnership with all stakeholders
* has strong interpersonal skills with the ability to collaborate, inspire and motivate
* understands the wide and challenging range of special educational needs found in a generic special school

We can offer you:

* a successful and thriving school
* supportive colleagues, parents and governors
* a commitment to continued professional development
* engaged students who are proud of their school and enjoy their learning experiences and achievement

A pre-application visit is available for prospective candidates on Friday 30th April 2021 at 10am please telephone the school office on 01772 795749 indicating attendance.

**Proposed interview dates**: 24th and 25th May 2021

Day 1 Formal identity checks, presentation to panel, questions from the school council, observation of teaching and learning – followed by shortlisting for Day 2.

Day 2 Formal panel interview.

The post you are applying for is covered by the Rehabilitation of Offenders (Exceptions) Act 1975. If successful you will be required to apply to the Disclosure and Barring Service for a 'disclosure' and undertake the full range of safeguarding checks.

**Application forms and further details can be downloaded online.**

**Completed application forms must be returned electronically to head@stfch.lancs.sch.uk.**

**For an informal discussion about the post, contact the headteacher on 01772 795749.**

**Rehabilitation of offenders Act 1974 - details of any criminal record spent or unspent should be sent to the Chair of Governors at the school address by the closing date.**

**Closing date: Noon on Friday 7th May 2021**

**Shortlisting for interview: w/c 10th May 2021**