

Job Title: Head of Department – History and Social Sciences MPS/UPS Outer London + TLR1M

## **Person Specification**

- 1. a graduate with a good honours degree in a relevant discipline
- 2. a qualified and experienced teacher
- 3. a clear enthusiasm for History and Social Sciences and the ability to transmit and share this with students and departmental staff
- 4. the ability to relate appropriately to students, parents and other departmental staff
- 5. detailed knowledge of the History and Social Sciences secondary-phase curriculum
- 6. an effective and inspirational leader with a good track record of success in the delivery of History and Social Sciences
- 7. an outstanding classroom practitioner/potential and drive to become outstanding and a role model to departmental staff
- 8. the ability to teach History to A level and either the ability or a willingness to teach another Social Science up to A Level
- 9. a willingness and commitment to be involved fully in activities beyond the standard History and Social Sciences taught Curriculum
- 10. the ability to execute effective discipline of students across the department and to support and advise other departmental staff where appropriate
- 11. a very good and effective knowledge of a wide range of teaching and learning methods
- 12. the ability to create your own resources and lead on the sharing of good practice with other departmental colleagues
- 13. the ability to plan and deliver lessons which fulfil appropriate learning objectives
- 14. the ability to identify learning needs of individual students and devise strategies to address these effectively and lead and support other departmental staff in this field
- 15. a good level of competence in the use of Information Communication Technology as a tool in teaching within the History and Social Sciences department including appropriate software packages
- 16. an excellent understanding of the role of assessment in Teaching and Learning and the ability to lead colleagues in this vital aspect of driving student progress
- 17. a leader, but also a team player where appropriate
- 18. a strong commitment to the central role of the Form Tutor
- 19. be in excellent health.

## Requirements of the Post

- 1. to effectively lead the teaching of History and Social Sciences across the age and ability range
- 2. to work within and contribute to established School and Department framework to lead the Business Education team in:
  - lesson planning and delivery
  - student behaviour and care
  - student assessment, including controlled assessment
  - curriculum development.



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- 3. to work within the school framework with regard to Safeguarding, Inclusion, Health & Safety and Equal Opportunities issues
- 4. to lead and develop Teaching and Learning across the age and ability ranges
- 5. to keep abreast of current developments in Teaching and Learning and participate in Continuing Professional Development and initiate change where appropriate
- 6. to maintain and further improve academic expectation and achievement within the History and Social Sciences team
- 7. lead the management of the departmental budget and encourage care of the use of material resources
- 8. to provide accurate information for parents as required by the School and Department policy and attend parents' evening/academic tutoring interviews and other presentation meetings as directed
- 9. to promote a single school ethos
- 10. to promote the school commitment to the continual professional development of all staff
- 11. to be a Form Tutor
- 12. to undertake any duties as may reasonably be required by the Headteacher.