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Dear Candidate,

Re: Teacher of English

Thank you for your interest in Bohunt School Wokingham (BSW). We are seeking charismatic and driven individuals who will be at the vanguard of the development of the new school. You will have the opportunity to develop as a teacher and professional, with the support of an experienced and innovative team of staff and also help establish the culture, ethos and expectations for all members of the community as the school grows. If you are passionate about learning, are confident you can meet the challenges of establishing and delivering innovative education and developing a similar passion in others then I would encourage and welcome your application. We opened in September 2016 to year 7 students and moved into new state-of-the-art buildings in July 2017. The new school is a landmark project for Wokingham Borough Council, with substantial investment in interim buildings as well as the new build. Interest and expectations for the new school has been high across the community and we were oversubscribed for September 2017.

As a new school we are in the rare position of having an educational blank canvas, with the opportunity to create an outstanding environment for learning, achievement and enjoyment without existing barriers. Being at the forefront of the new school and the unusual flexibilities and opportunities that this affords us, along with the support of a wider and growing outstanding Academy Trust, means opportunities for professional development are outstanding. As I said in the advert, potential is as important as experience.

This is an exciting time to be joining the Bohunt Education Trust (BET), which already comprises of 5 secondary schools in the region: Bohunt School in Liphook, Priory School in Southsea, Petersfield School and Bohunt School Worthing, in addition we have formal education links with City Academy Norwich and in Wenzhou, China. Our school will feature various innovations in learning environments and technology that have been pioneered by BET over time: dynamic learning environments, the use of ICT to enhance learning and excellent sports facilities, as well as pioneering new innovations ourselves. The trust has a proven track record of offering exceptional opportunities to develop your skills and career progression, make a difference and work within a team committed to raising very high standards further.

The English Department are a forward thinking team that work hard to challenge, enthuse and engage the students. We are looking for a fun, fresh-thinking individual who is keen to be part of our highly motivated and driven team. We are a department that share resources and everyone has the opportunity to be part of the planning process. Our department is looking for a creative, like-minded person with a passion for the written and spoken word. We are currently trialling mixed ability setting in KS3 as we fully embody the growth mindset ethos of the school.

We study a range of texts from 19th century literature to modern novels and plays. Proficiency in ICT is a desired skill: ipads are used in every lesson for example for students to access Google Classroom, class surveys, educational games and apps, research, note taking and re-drafting. A desire to get involved and offer clubs is a must. Currently, we offer various different clubs after school such as: Debate Club, Book Club and Shakespeare Club. Your involvement in trips would be most welcomed. Last year, we took students to The Globe and on an author visit. This year, we will be seeing Romeo and Juliet, as well as visiting the Globe with year seven students. We would love to run even more trips and clubs next year! Thank you for your interest in this position.

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Starting at a completely new school is a unique opportunity and will come with many questions. For an informal conversation about the post or to arrange a visit to the school, I can be contacted by e-mailing on head@bohuntwokingham.com. Please read the FAQ sheet to help you decide if this post is for you.

If you are interested in applying please complete the online application form and provide a letter of application. On the application form please ensure that all periods not in education, employment or training are explained. The supporting letter should be no longer than two sides of A4. It is your opportunity to tell us a little bit about yourself, why you are attracted to this post, what additional subjects you feel able to teach and any other details which you think are relevant.

With very best wishes,

Ben Godber
Head of School, Bohunt School Wokingham

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