The Hurst Community College

Modern Foreign Languages Department

**Post: Teacher of Modern Foreign Languages**

The successful candidate will be joining a department of four hard-working, friendly and enthusiastic teachers.

Each classroom in the department is equipped with an interactive whiteboard and projector and laptop. The department also has five desktops as well as some mini-laptops for pupils to use.

In Key Stage 3, pupils learn either French or German and follow a new and exciting curriculum. Topics are included from the new Allez and Zoom course books and the FCSE curriculum. The top sets in French and German are studying units from the British Airways Flag Award as part of their curriculum, which has helped to raise numbers of pupils opting for a language and has provided extended challenge, motivation and aspiration for our most able linguistics. We would like to start introducing Spanish lessons in KS3 as well from next year. Pupils are taught in a combination of sets and mixed ability.

In our current year 10 and 11, pupils may opt to learn French, German or Spanish. Pupils in Key Stage 4 follow the AQA syllabus using the Oxford University Press GCSE French, German and Spanish for AQA textbooks, as well as Kerboodle.

The department believes in using the most appropriate amount of target language in every lesson, both by pupils and staff. Motivation is key and a focus on energy, activity and competition exists.

The department organises and leads a wide number of popular trips. There is an annual trip to a continental Christmas market in the winter as well as a summer term trip to Germany and France. In addition, the majority of Year 7 travel every year to Boulogne-sur-mer for the day to visit the aquarium and old town. Selected teams of year 10 pupils also take part in the annual Basingstoke MFL Challenge.