**A Teacher of Drama (with Performing Arts)**

**Main Academy Scale**

## **Required for September 2018**

## But an early start would be possible as a recruitment incentive for an NQT

**The School**

The Canterbury High and The Canterbury Primary School both converted to academy status under the 2010 Act.

One of the most unusual aspects of the academy is its range of provision on a campus which includes:

• City View Nursery

• The Canterbury Primary School

• The Canterbury High School

• A large (and growing sixth form)

• An extensive vocational provision including a construction skills centre, chef’s academy and a beauty salon.

• A Youth and Community Centre

• A variety of commercial enterprises on site (that work with students), for example Kent Language School, Education Cuts

• A variety of hospitality and catering outlets

• A Tennis centre (including a ‘tennis School’)

• A Sports centre

• Adult Education

• A range of Alternative Curriculum provision (which is generally off site)

# **The Visual and Performing Arts Faculty**

Drama sits within this subject team.

The team’s range of courses is impressive:

* Drama
* Music
* Music Technology
* Dance
* Performing Arts
* Musical Theatre
* Art
* Media

To develop its excellence further, the Visual and Performing Arts Faculty has been restructured: there are now individual KS3/KS4 Departments for Music, Dance, and Drama, Performing Arts, Art and Media, overseen by the Director of Teaching and Learning for Visual and Performing Arts and the Director of Performing Arts, who are part of the leadership team at the Academy.

Post-16, the Canterbury Institute for Performing Arts has been created, offering professional conservatoire-style training within its four programmes: The Dance Programme, The Music Programme, The Acting Programme, and the Musical Theatre Programme. Each programme offers a BTEC qualification and A-level at its core, as well as two full days a week with industry professionals (i.e., professional actors, dancers, musicians) who further train our talented students to the highest standards possible.

The Performing Arts Faculty produce a full annual calendar of academy productions. The staff give generously of their time. This is an expectation. Performing Arts is a passion, not a job. It will continue to be funded. It will be developed and supported. The ambition is to become the performing arts centre of excellence for Canterbury, East Kent and the South East.

The Canterbury Academy has also entered into a nationally prestigious partnership with The Marlowe Theatre and The Royal Shakespeare Company. This programme began in September 2013.

The Performing Arts options are popular for examinations courses.

There is a Junior Institute of Performing Arts Education Programme for G&T students in Years 7 – 9 and specialist mentoring for G&T students in years 7-11.

There is a primary academy in our Primary School.

The Performing Arts also employs a variety of non-teachers to assist.

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* Teach across the entire age and ability range.
* Promote extracurricular activities within this area and continue to develop the Performing Arts.
* It is essential that the appointed person recognises the need for working out of hours

What we are looking for is:

* Someone that shares our vision and our commitment to make The Canterbury Academy the school for performing arts in this region
* Someone who may have industry experience (i.e., as an actor, director, playwright, agent etc.)
* Someone who may have industry links
* Someone who may be able to teach musical theatre
* someone who is passionate about drama
* someone who likes children and gets the best out of them irrespective of their ability
* someone who can empathize with the school’s belief that ‘every child is good at something’
* someone who is positive and enthusiastic
* someone highly organised, good at meeting deadlines and completing paperwork accurately
* someone who will have high expectations of the students
* someone who thinks teaching is fun

**The Opportunity**

The Canterbury High School converted to academy status in October 2010 (2010 Act). The school is a strategic partner and board member of the East Kent Learning Alliance (EKLA), which is a teaching school partnership.

The support and guidance given to new staff is, like many things, ‘excellent’. The vacancy offers the ambitious, energetic, experienced and capable applicant this opportunity to join a team with excellent facilities in a very successfully and nationally recognised school. Indeed, it is policy to recruit talented teachers and then professionally develop them in what we call our ‘greenhouse culture’.

The Canterbury High School is a successful school. We are oversubscribed. It is a positive school with an ethos based firmly in raising the academic and personal achievement of all its students. It is an enterprising and dynamic school. It has a friendly, supportive and enthusiastic staff. In short this school and this post offer an outstanding opportunity for the right candidate to develop their career. If you wish to come and have a look at us then please feel free to ring and arrange a time and we'll make sure someone will be available to show you round. If you cannot get to see us then you can log on to our website www.canterburyacademy.co.uk

Our strap line is simple, ‘to improve the life chances of children and to help in the community’. If you subscribe to, and believe in, our philosophy that ‘every child is good at something’, that we should offer ‘as much as possible, to as many as possible, as often as possible’, that every young person will achieve and feel you can contribute to the school’s continued success, then please apply. In your letter of application please outline your achievements to date, your vision for this role, how you are equipped to deliver this and any other strengths you have.

Please apply online today via TES (preferred) or send your completed application form, letter of application and C.V. as soon as possible via email to recruitment@canterbury.kent.sch.uk or to:

Mr. D Etheridge,

Human Resources Manager,

The Canterbury Academy,

Knight Avenue,

Canterbury,

Kent,

CT2 8QA

Finally, may we thank you for your interest. We hope you are encouraged to apply. If you do but do not hear from us, please assume your application has not been successful. We are not being rude but are merely economising. Should you be called for interview you will be contacted with full details as to the date and format of the selection process. Either way, may I take this opportunity to wish you all the best in your career.

Regards,

Jon Watson

Executive Principal.

In addition to providing the highest quality of teaching and learning, the priority of the school is the safety and welfare of its students. Therefore, all staff undergo an enhanced DBS Check.