



English Teacher

Dear prospective candidate

Fancy something different?

Because this is not an ordinary job!

Hopefully if you have got this far you are interested. We are recruiting secondary teachers to join us at the start of our journey as a new free school. We are looking for people excited by the opportunity to work with us to shape the Grove experience right from the beginning and I would love to tell you more.

One School - One Community One - Vision

Grove Academy is the first all-through school to open in Slough and will provide seamless high quality education for 4 to 18 year olds. Grove is the second school to emerge from the unique collaboration of secondary schools in Slough. They created the SASH Education Trust as the vehicle to provide new educational choices for parents in the town. It is their joint passion for enhancing the life chances of the pupils of Slough that has driven the vision for Grove.

Grove will open in September 2017 on a temporary site in central Slough whilst a brand new, multi-million pound building is built on our site in Chalvey. We are opening with Reception and Year 7. Slough Borough Council have also asked as to open a maximum of one form of each of years 1, 2 and 3 to support their admissions in the town.

The school will grow each year, with 4 forms of entry at EYFS/primary and 6 forms at secondary (full capacity will be 1,940 including 6th form) growing slowly to enable us to establish clear ethos and expectations. A large academy, but with the heart of a small community school. Our children will work together in teaching and learning communities (TLCs) so that older students can provide good role models and mentor our younger pupils. The site will be organised so that different phases can work in partnership and yet maintain their own separate spaces.

To ensure a smooth transition from KS2 we will be delivering an innovative curriculum in KS3 which takes the best practises from both primary and secondary. It will mean that, alongside traditional subject teaching, we will extend aspects of our project 'enterprise' based curriculum into KS3 through cross curricular topic work. This will be developed via enquiry and 'big questions' to enable pupils, to place their learning within a real life context with concrete experiences. We will work closely with local businesses and organisations to ensure that our pupils leave Grove Academy with the skills and character that employers seek.

We are looking for an English teacher who:

- Is an experienced English teacher who can deliver exciting and challenging English lessons.
- Understands how the topic based learning can impact positively on the delivery of English.
- Is excited by the chance to be with us at the beginning of this amazing journey.
- Recognises they need to be flexible as the school grows and in turn we will provide experiences they cannot get anywhere else.

Can you think outside of the box and see this as a fantastic opportunity to help us create a magical curriculum? If so Grove Academy is the place for you!

What can you offer Grove?

We want to hear from you if you:

- Share our vision of an all-through education for the children of Slough.
- Are excited to work with us to develop a creative, enterprise curriculum.
- Recognise that a focus on high standards and mastery is not in opposition to fun and engagement.
- Prepared to 'think outside of the box' and develop innovative practices.

What can we offer you?

- We want Grove Academy to be a great place to work, a place where you will feel valued for your hard work.
- A unique opportunity to help us design and shape Grove Academy into an exciting learning hub for both pupils and staff.
- A chance to blur the lines and learn from the best practices in EYFS, primary and secondary phases and enable you to develop your expertise and interests across phases.
- Work with us to create innovative CPD packages because we want to invest in you.
- Grove Academy is an outward facing school, keen to learn from others and research, so providing networking opportunities for staff at all levels is important to us.
- As the school grows so will the leadership pathways available to suitable candidates because our philosophy is to 'grow our own' where possible.

Closing date: 23rd June 2017

Interviews: Week beginning 26th June 2017

Still interested?

Check out our website for more information – www.groveacademy.co.uk

To discuss the post further, please telephone me, Andrea Fricker, Principal, on 07842 978686 or email info@groveacademy.co.uk

I am free to talk to you at weekends or early evenings so please get in touch.

Ms Andrea Fricker
Principal

CVs are not accepted so please complete the online application form.

Grove Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will require an enhanced DBS check.