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Post: Assistant Head of Design Technology

Dear Colleague

Thank you for showing an interest in our school and in this important post. You have a copy of the detailed job description in your pack, but please feel free to contact me to discuss the post if you are unsure about anything. We welcome visits to the school from prospective candidates; this will help you to decide if the school is right for you. If you would like to visit the school, please contact Mrs C Clarke, Head of Technology, on clarkec@flhs.wigan.sch.uk to arrange a visit.

Fred Longworth High School is a good school with an excellent reputation for innovative teaching and learning. Our reputation locally means that we are always over-subscribed and we pride ourselves on the strength of our relationships with students and parents. Whole school results have always been well above national and local averages, though there is room for improvement with regard to the Progress 8 measure.

The Design Technology Faculty at Fred Longworth High School benefits from excellent facilities. We currently offer students a range of courses across Food, Design Technology and Construction. The faculty is comprised of seven members of staff, including two technicians. In March 2019, we appointed a new of Head of Technology, which has led to a significant number of changes and improvements to the faculty. The successful candidate for this post will join the department at an exciting time; the new Assistant Head of Faculty will play a key part in developing our provision still further. We welcome applications from applicants who can offer any of the technology subject specialisms, including subjects we do not currently offer.

For the right person, this is an opportunity for you to develop the next stage of your career in a positive and supportive working environment. We are looking to appoint someone with drive and ambition. This person will work effectively with the Head of Technology to make the provision in the faculty outstanding. The successful candidate will be expected to set high expectations in line with the school's ethos and to foster excellent working relationships within the team. As a key middle leader, you will be able to count on strong support within your new role. The school will actively develop you as a subject leader.

We are proud of the happy, purposeful atmosphere within our school, often commented upon by visitors. In our most recent Ofsted report, outstanding behaviour within the school was commented upon, with our students described as "respectful, polite and considerate" with "excellent attitudes to learning." We believe this to be

the result of our relentless focus on high standards and on the building of strong working relationships between staff and students.

If you feel that you have the skills and experience we seek, we would be delighted to receive your application. Please ensure that you complete the application form in full and attach a letter (no more than 2 sides of A4, Ariel Font 11). In your letter outline how you will contribute to the development of an outstanding Technology Faculty at Fred Longworth High School, together with an explanation of how your skills, qualities and experiences have helped to prepare you for this role. The closing date for applications is Friday 22nd January 2021, with interviews being held in the week beginning 1st February.

Thank you once again for your interest in our school. I look forward to receiving your application and, hopefully, to meeting you.

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Davies Headteacher