

# **Recruitment** Additional Information

## **Teacher of Spanish**

### **MPS/UPS**

Closing Date for applications: Monday 23 October 2017 Send completed applications to Recruitment@coltonhills.co.uk

Interviews will be held Monday 30 October 2017

#### Welcome to Colton Hills Community School

I would like to begin my welcome to prospective candidates by conveying the aspirations and high expectations the school has for all of its students.

The school is a very caring school. Care, which now translates into the highest standards and ambition for every child in the school. When we were inspected in May 2015 we were rightly judged good in all areas, having been a school requiring improvement previously.

We have continued on our journey towards building a more successful thriving school where teaching and learning remains our single most important priority. A culture of positivity has taken root, our Curriculum Leaders are well supported and driving change and the students themselves are aware that they are at the centre of significant change. As a result of this, the students are enjoying school and making good progress.

We are a unique school, with unique children and unique challenges and we are successful because of the collective efforts across the school to serve the local community and its children.

We are therefore looking for an innovative and inspirational practitioner who wishes to make a real difference to the life chances of our young people. If you aspire to great things both for yourself, for colleagues here that will certainly welcome and support you, and for children in this part of Wolverhampton, who despite their difficulties really want to succeed, I wholeheartedly encourage you to apply.

Colton Hills has been described as a "Sleeping Giant", a perception that is borne out by every person that visits. I know the future is outstandingly optimistic for the school and I invite you to join us, to share in its journey and contribute to its success.

Alberto Otero Headteacher

#### **Curriculum Area: Modern Foreign Languages**

Colton Hills Community School was a Specialist Language College from September 2006 to September 2013. We have a successful record of teaching Modern Languages, particularly German, to students of all abilities. In September 2013 the decision was made to remove French from the Curriculum, and all our KS3 students now study only German. In 2016 we re-introduced a second MFL for all with Spanish being taught alongside German.

All teachers in the Department are committed to Languages for All. We use an oral-active, communicative approach to teaching and learning, with the spoken language at the heart of our teaching. We employ a wide range of teaching and learning techniques, including use of ICT. We create all our own materials, rather than use commercially prepared materials. Teachers are experienced, successful, enthusiastic, hard-working and supportive.

All classrooms are equipped with an interactive whiteboard, Wi-Fi and a CD player. We also have an ICT Room for the teaching of MFL.

We share a large break-out zone with the English Department which allows us to do a wide range of carousel activities.

We have a partner school in Germany and every year our Year 10 students go to Germany and their German partners visit us in Wolverhampton.

We are continuing to give our students the opportunity to enjoy and become successful in two Modern Foreign Languages, German and Spanish.

M. Ginever Curriculum Leader for Modern Languages

#### **The Application Process**

Completed application forms and a covering letter should be submitted to <u>recruitment@coltonhills.co.uk</u>.

If you experience difficulties please do not hesitate to contact the school on 01902 558465.

For Section 8 of the Application Form please submit a letter of application detailing how your skills and experience to date have prepared you for this role at Colton Hills Community School (no more than 2 sides of A4).

Please note an error on the local authorities application form. In the "Completing your Application" section - "Tips for completing Section 7 – Experience", should read "Tips for completing Section 6 – Experience".

Shortlisted candidates will be notified by letter, email or telephone call with details of the interview and selection process.

Prospective candidates are welcome to visit school prior to making an application by contacting the school on 01902 558465.