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ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

A MOORLANDS LEARNING TRUST ACADEMY

FURTHER PARTICULARS FOR THE POST OF:

TEACHER OF DESIGN TECHNOLOGY (0.8)

(with a focus on Resistant Materials/Product Design)

October 2023

(fixed term appointment from 3rd January 2024 until 31st July 2024)

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for requesting details for the position of teacher of Design Technology (Resistant Materials/ Product Design specialist) with the opportunity to teach D&T Product Design at A-level for the right candidate. The post offers an exciting opportunity to teach and make a positive difference in our outstanding school, a converter Academy and the founding school of Moorlands Learning Trust (MLT). We very much welcome your interest and hope the accompanying information will encourage you to apply.

The successful candidate will join a very popular and ambitious curriculum area where standards and levels of student engagement are high. They will have high expectations, expert subject knowledge, a strong and positive work ethic and an unwavering commitment to all students achieving their full potential in Design Technology. Working collaboratively as part of a dedicated and talented team, they will be inspirational to both students and colleagues, and will be committed to sharing best practice and contributing to enrichment, intervention and the development of the department. This is a fixed term appointment, required from January 2024 until July 2024.

This is an exciting time in the school's development. In July 2022 it was announced that IGS has been selected for the next phase of the national Schools Rebuilding Programme and will receive substantial capital investment to rebuild and /or refurbish parts of the school. This will have a transformative impact on the learning environment at IGS and will substantially reduce our carbon footprint. In addition, in 2019 we opened a 12 place School Resource Provision (SRP) for students with autism and we are planning to be able to offer additional places over the next two years, as part of our commitment to inclusive education and to meeting the needs of all young people within our community.

Indeed, whilst we have a long history dating back to 1607, we are a modern school with innovation at the heart of our vision as a learning community. We continually advance our curriculum to be responsive to student need and have rolled out iPads to all students to personalise learning and prepare them for life and work in the 21st Century. We also invest in the professional development of our staff to keep ourselves at the cutting edge of educational development.

We are very proud of our excellent reputation in the local community, as well as the wider Leeds and Bradford areas and pride ourselves on the quality of education we provide to our students. Our Ofsted inspection of March 2017 confirmed us as an 'Outstanding' school in all areas, where students "attain highly and make excellent progress", where behaviour is "exemplary" and where "teachers go the extra mile to make sure students achieve, feel cared for and thrive within a supportive and productive learning environment" (Ofsted March 2017). Our success was also recognised in The Sunday Times Schools Guide 2023 with Ilkley Grammar School ranked in the top two best state secondary comprehensive schools in the north of England and the highest ranked comprehensive school across the whole of West Yorkshire.

Since achieving our 'Outstanding' Ofsted rating, the school has gone from strength to strength. Our 2022 A-level and GCSE results were outstanding: 24.2% of all A-level entries were at A*, almost 50% were at A/A* and 75% at A*-B. At GCSE over 51% of all GCSE entries were achieved at 7+, with over 30% of all entries achieved at the very top grades 9/8. As a result, progress of all students at Key Stage 4 is well above average with a progress 8 score of +.62 in 2022 and +.58 in 2019. At Post-16, our ALPS score was a grade 2 placing IGS in the top 10% of schools in the country.

As the founding school of Moorlands Learning Trust, we also play our part in the wider development of the Trust, where IGS senior and middle leaders have the opportunity to shape and drive forward the Trust's strategy and growth, as well as supporting colleagues across the Trust. Over the coming years, MLT is looking to grow the number of its partner schools and IGS will continue to play a key role in supporting this, whilst also driving IGS further forward.

As a comprehensive academy, our overriding aim at IGS is to ensure that our students achieve everything that they are capable of – their 'Personal Best' - from Year 7 through to Sixth Form and beyond. We recognise every student as an individual, with different needs and talents, and we work hard together to make sure we support and nurture successful, happy and confident learners who achieve in the widest sense of the word, and not just academically.

We deeply care for our staff as well as our students and take their wellbeing seriously, engaging regularly and meaningfully with colleagues at all levels. We are sensitive about the importance of managing workload, and the school's commitment to evidence-informed practices and 'best bets' enables teachers and leaders to invest time and effort in practices proven to have the most impact on student learning. In addition, all staff have access to an Employee Assistance Programme, and we have an embedded programme of extra-curricular, voluntary 'Wellbeing Wednesday' sessions for staff to access across the school year. The school closes earlier for students on Wednesdays in order to accommodate these sessions as well as to facilitate whole school and departmental staff CPD.

If you are inspired by this opportunity and have the qualities to contribute to our high-quality provision, then we would be delighted to hear from you.

How to Apply

As part of your online application in the Personal Statement section (no more than 2 sides of A4) please explain:

How your skills, qualities and experiences make you a suitable candidate for this post.

The closing date for this post is: 8am, Monday 16th October 2023 Provisional interview is scheduled for Thursday 19th October 2023

If you do not receive an invite to interview by Tuesday 17th October, we regret your application will have been unsuccessful on this occasion, but we wish you every success in your future career.

Thank you again for your interest in our school.

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Carly Purnell Headteacher

Generic Job Description Subject Teacher

Responsible to: Curriculum Leader: Design Technology

Overall responsibilities: To promote effective learning and excellent student progress through high quality and interesting teaching that engages and meets individual needs.

Summary of core duties:

Planning

- To have deep and fluent subject knowledge and understanding of the curriculum and sequencing to allow for confident teaching
- To plan for opportunities to model excellence in your subject through analogies, explanations and demonstrations
- > To plan tasks that embed and reinforce learning, allowing opportunities to practise until learning is fluent and secure
- To personalise planning to meet the needs of all students, as individuals and as particular student cohorts (SEND, PP etc) through responsive and adaptive teaching
- > To know and implement the information for students on the SEND Register
- To actively plan for the teaching of vocabulary, literacy, numeracy and oracy when structuring learning sequences
- > To support the development and revision of curriculum design and schemes of work
- > To contribute to the Curriculum Area Improvement Plan, and its implementation

Teaching and Learning

- To set appropriate sequence of learning tasks including learning objectives and rationale that are well-matched to students' needs
- To present and explain new ideas clearly, making connections to previous learning to support memory for learning
- > To employ a variety of strategies to motivate, support and engage students
- > To use questioning and dialogue to promote deep thinking amongst learners
- > To develop and use the iPad to facilitate independent learning and support learning in lessons
- > To set high-quality homework that encourages independent learning and consolidates prior learning
 - > To support students with how to learn, using the best bets from cognitive science
- To work closely with Inclusive Learning Support Assistants to challenge and support students by scaffolding learning in a variety of ways

Assessment for Learning/ Responsive Teaching

> To employ a range of responsive teaching strategies to elicit evidence of understanding and progress

- > To ensure regular, high-quality and diagnostic assessment to evidence learning
- > To give students actionable verbal and written feedback to guide their learning
- > To monitor the progress of students, set targets for improvement based on prior attainment and ensure they know these and what they have to do to reach them
- > To help students plan, regulate and monitor their own learning
- > To use data for future planning, support and intervention
- > To maintain appropriate records to demonstrate student progress
- > To contribute to requests for progress updates and written annual reports and references

Personal Best

> To promote and manage learning behaviours consistently and effectively, developing learner motivation so students display a thirst for knowledge and a love of learning

> To promote and support student progress and wellbeing, knowing your students as individuals with specific needs

> To establish fair, respectful, trusting, supportive and constructive relationships

- To promote a positive climate of student-student relationships based on cooperation, respect and care so that all can learn effectively
- > To have high expectations for all
- > To implement the Personal Best system consistently and fairly
- > To fulfil the role of Form Tutor where necessary and attend assemblies
- > To be familiar with health and safety requirements
- > To know and follow the school Child Protection and Safeguarding guidelines
- > To register students in form periods and every taught lesson
- > To communicate and consult with parents as required

Enrichment

- > To commit to the department/curriculum are programme of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities and visits
- To contribute to other enrichment opportunities across school within year groups, in other visits at home and abroad and support the school's whole-school Challenge and Celebration week

Continuing Professional Development

- > To fulfil the statutory Appraisal expectations
- To participate fully in CPD opportunities to develop practice further, share best practice and be creative
- To reflect on your practice and constantly strive to improve, using research, pedagogy and your knowledge of the students
- > To commit to the school's CPD programme
- To contribute, as appropriate, to the selection, appointment and induction of new staff, including ITT students and ECTs

Quality Assurance

To contribute to the school's self-evaluation procedures, including lesson observations and learning walks, work scrutiny, student voice and other QA activities

D Professional Standards

- > To meet the DfE National Teachers' and Personal and Professional Standards
- > To contribute actively to the ethos, values and aspirations of the school
- > To attend relevant school and parent meetings, and appropriate school events
- > To ensure high standards of written and spoken English
- > To meet deadlines and model the highest professional standards in all aspects of school work
- To cover for absent colleagues as necessary in an emergency and within the workforce agreement

VARIATION IN ROLE

Due to the structure of Ilkley Grammar School as an Academy, it must be accepted that, as the Academy's work develops and changes, there may be a need for adjustments to the role and responsibilities of the post. The duties specified above are, therefore, not to be regarded as either exclusive or exhaustive. They may change from time to time commensurate with the grading level of the post and following consultation with the post holder.

Recruitment and Selection Policy Statement

The Academy's Board of Governors is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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Design and Technology and Food Technology Subject Profile

The Design and Technology team consists of 5 full time and 5 part time staff, plus three specialist technical support staff. Our aim is to inspire all learners at being creative, to solve problems, make quality products, and to enjoy their achievement and success. We work hard and set high standards and we are fortunate to enjoy a good take up for year 9, GCSE and A-level options. Our exam results are year on year significantly higher than the national average.

Within our Technology staff body, we have subject specialists for Food, Textile Technology, Resistant Materials, Electronic Products, Engineering and Product Design, but have a flexible outlook on teaching outside of our specialism with departmental support, INSET and specialist training. We currently offer Product Design (3D) and Fashion and Textiles at Post 16.

All students in Year 7 and 8 study Food, Textiles and Product Design, with half the year split between our two specialist floors. Technology subjects are an additional option in Year 9 helping to inform students' final GCSE options in Year 10. Technology also oversees 2 alternative courses in Event Management and Engineering that allow students to build a more vocational pathway. From September 2017 we have delivered the new AQA GCSE DT specification and Food Preparation and Nutrition. Alongside this, from September 2018 we offer WJEC level1/2 Hospitality and Catering and OCR Cambridge Nationals Engineering Design to build on vocational KS3 choices.

We have benefited from significant recent investment. For example, the Food and Textiles rooms were refurbished in 2014 and Product Design enjoys a Computer Aided Design suite with two Laser Cutters and six 3D Printers. All teaching rooms have data projection and Apple TV.

We have a reputation for teamwork, innovation and student success. Recent whole school QA recognised climate for learning, expectations, subject knowledge, marking and feedback and tracking were outstanding within all areas of Technology.

The students are positive about Design & Technology and we have clear and established practical routines. Student voice feedback is always affirmative of the success and progress we believe we are making and continue to push our teaching to allow accessible, innovative and enjoyable lessons that stretch and challenge all.

Rachel Eyles Curriculum Leader: Design and Technology

October 2023

Personnel Specification Teacher of Design Technology (Resistant Materials/Product Design)

Qualification and Training		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Qualified teacher status recognised by the DfE	E	Application form
	Honours Degree in related specialism	E	and selection process
	Good A-level qualifications	D	
	Recent appropriate CPD	D	
	Willingness to participate in CPD	E	Llow blowtified
Experience		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Successful experience of teaching Design Technology	E	Application and
	Successful experience of delivering a differentiated curriculum to students with a wide range of needs	E	selection process
	Successful experience of managing an effective classroom environment to support student learning and positive behaviour	E	
	Understanding and use of good teaching practices	E	
	Evidence of the ability to work cooperatively with multi-disciplinary professionals, governors and other agencies	D	
	Experience of e-learning including mobile technologies	D	
	Previous teaching experience	E	
	Previous pastoral experience	D	
Knowledge, Skills and Abilities		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	A passion for teaching Design Technology across Key Stage 3 and 4	E	
	A passion for teaching D&T: Product Design at Key Stage 5	D	Application and
	Creates and develops interesting resources and activities which engage students and promote good and outstanding progress	E	selection
	Understands, and can put into practice, the features of an outstanding lesson	E	proceed
	The potential and commitment to be an exceptional teacher	E	
	Shares and develops own expertise and learns from others	Е	
	Able to lead, inspire and motivate students	E	
	Good standard of accurate written and spoken English	E	
	Excellent communication, both in writing and orally, to a wide range of audiences	Е	
	Proven ability to use ICT in the teaching, organisation or management of their role	E	
	Self-motivated and takes the initiative	E	
	Able to embrace new approaches and ways of thinking	Е	
	Responsive to the individual needs of students and colleagues	E	
	Values diversity and encourages the contribution of others	E	
	Knowledge of effective behaviour management strategies	E	
	Evidence of the ability to promote a positive ethos and pride in the school together with high standards of education, care and conduct	E	
Values		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified

	A commitment to comprehensive education, equal opportunities and inclusion	Е	Application form
	A passionate commitment to achieving the highest standards for all students	Е	and selection process
	A commitment to teaching approaches which make learning engaging, challenging, purposeful and effective	Е	
	Fully committed to a close working partnership with parents, governors and the community	E	
	An enthusiasm for and commitment to developing enrichment including extra-curricular activities	Е	
	Values equality, trust, happiness, openness and support	E	
Ре	rsonal Qualities	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Strong 'moral purpose'	E	
	Conscientious and committed to high personal and professional standards	E	Application form and selection
	Skilled at building and forming productive working relationships with staff, parents and students, with Governors, partners and the wider community	Е	process
	Enthusiastic about education and learning	E	
	Able to inspire confidence and remain positive and constructive under pressure, demonstrating characteristics such as integrity, resilience and a sense of proportion	F	
	Self-critical and reflective, able to monitor and evaluate own performance and take action to improve or develop where necessary	E	
	Works well with colleagues and contributes effectively to the team(s)	E	
	Abides by the Academy's policies	E	
	Professional appearance	E	
	Emotionally intelligent	E	
	Sense of humour and perspective!	E	
Equal Opportunities		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Candidates should indicate an acceptance of, and a commitment to, the principles of the Academy's Equal Rights policies and practices as they relate to employment issues and to the delivery of services to the community	E	Selection process
	Commitment to equal opportunities policies relating to gender, race and disability in an educational context	E	
Ci	cumstances - Personal	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Must be legally entitled to work in the UK (Asylum and Immigration Act 1996).	Ш	Selection
	No contra-indications in personal background or criminal record indicating unsuitability to work with children/young people/vulnerable clients/finance (DBS check required).	E	process
	Will not require holiday during term time	E	
Sa	feguarding	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified

Has appropriate motivation to work with children and young people, and can relate to them	E	Completion of an
Ability to maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries		Enhanced DBS
with children and young people	E	disclosure
Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children		
and young people	E	
Good knowledge and understanding of the importance of safeguarding		
students and the welfare of staff, and of the action to take if necessary	E	