

Application pack

Teaching Assistant





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Our vision

Grove Academy is the first all through school to open in Slough, offering pupils from the age of 4 to 18 a unique and exciting experience. Grove opened in September 2017 on a temporary site in central Slough whilst a brand new, multimillion pound school is built.

Grove was established through a unique and innovative partnership involving the Slough Association of Secondary Headteachers (SASH). 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. The aim of the SASH Education Trust is to provide a vibrant education for local pupils and Grove is at the centre of the strategy to ensure there is the widest possible curriculum choice for the young people of Slough.

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.





Curriculum and project based learning

The school is delivering a curriculum that focuses on making learning relevant and real, enriched with hands on experiences. A curriculum that encourages enterprise opportunities at all levels, enabling our pupils to be confident, responsible and active citizens of Slough. Our pupils are resilient and creative learners, able to apply their learning to real life situations.

Our curriculum is centred on 'project based learning' with real life products or outcomes to drive it. Teachers devise projects or 'vehicles for learning' that are linked to activities that people do in the real world, that stretches the pupils, ignites their imagination and is true to our values.

This approach is developed in different ways across both the primary and secondary phases and compliments specialist subject teaching.

We will exploit the contacts and opportunities of being in a lively town by working with other organisations and companies to provide our pupils with real work experiences. They will learn the skills and roles of working together in teams for a common goal. There is a clear emphasis on innovation and leadership. The curriculum encourages problem solving, critical reflection, research and challenge and the development of analytical skills fostering the business men and women of the future.

All pupils are encouraged and given the confidence to participate in decision making, providing support and/or creative input across the three areas of family well-being, public service and generating wealth. Through this we will develop self-confident and responsible pupils who contribute to the local community of Slough and who will be well placed to become leaders of the future.

Unique opportunities

We want Grove Academy to be a great place to work, a place where you will feel valued for your hard work.

This is a fantastic opportunity to help us design and shape Grove Academy into an exciting learning hub for both pupils and staff. It is 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.

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.



New Building Design

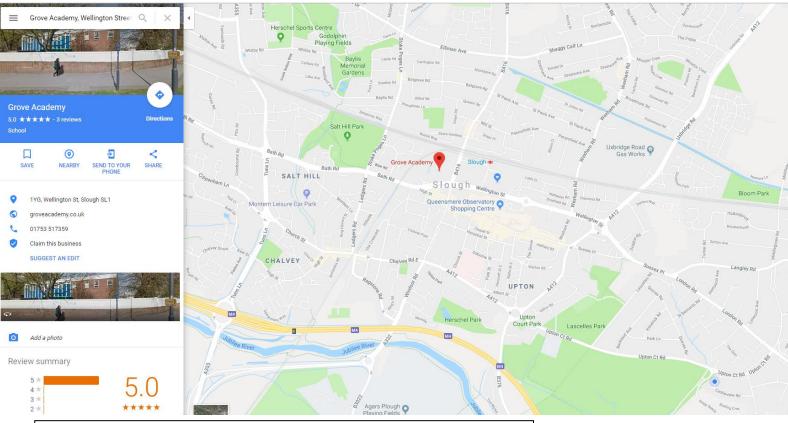








Location



If you are arriving from the east there is a filter road just after you go through the Wellington Street / Windsor Road junction.



If you are arriving from the west, there is a turn off on the left.

