

Teaching Head of The New School

Person Specification

CRITERIA	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	EVIDENCE/ ASSESSED BY
Qualifications and Education	 University educated with an honours degree and recognised teaching qualification, with specialism in the early years and key stage 1 Evidence of on-going appropriate early years, infant and key stage 1 professional learning and development. 	Further degree or qualification in education is not essential but would be an advantage.	ApplicationCareer record
Experience	 Strong track record in teaching a variety of subjects in a primary or independent pre-prep school. Excellent professional knowledge (of curriculum, management, school organisation and current educational issues) Significant class teacher experience in a KS1 or early years setting. Proven ability to support, motivate, lead and manage staff. Positive representation of a school to its pupil and parent community. 		ApplicationInterview
Knowledge and understanding	 Knowledge and extensive experience with the EYFS curriculum - National Curriculum for England Knowledge of assessment for learning, use of data, tracking and monitoring. Current educational issues and up to date curriculum developments Teaching strategies and pedagogy that both engage pupils and achieve the highest outcomes with a focus in the early years/infant/ KS1 phase Excellent knowledge of safeguarding and pastoral issues. 	A knowledge of EAL provision and ISI/Ofsted Inspection frameworks would be an advantage but is not essential.	ApplicationInterview



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Skills	 Ability to communicate effectively (both orally and in writing) to a variety of audiences. Good interpersonal skills as a team member. Experience of handling sensitive situations. Ability to establish good working relationships throughout the school community. Ability and desire to promote the school's aims and values positively. Ability to motivate others (adults and children) to achieve their best. 		 Application Reference Interview Written task
Personal Qualities	 Clear educational vision based on evidence and experience. Resilience and good humour. Excellent communication (written and oral), organisational and interpersonal skills. Passion for improving learning and the ability to lead the professional development of staff. A belief in the promotion of shared values. Creativity in identifying and meeting challenges. A problem solver who can adapt, change and listen actively. Open and sensitive to cultural differences. Reliable, committed, with clarity of thought and judgement. Ability to foster and sustain positive and mutually affirming relationships. Able to act as ambassador and professional advocate for the wider school, with strong personal credibility and the capacity to build relationships. 		• Application • Interview