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**NETHER STOWE SCHOOL**

**JOB DESCRIPTION**

**POST**: Teacher of English **PAY RANGE**: MPS-UPS

**Job Purpose**

To carry out the professional duties of a teacher as circumstances may require and in accordance with the school's policies under the direction of the Headteacher.

**Areas of Responsibility and Key Tasks**

**Planning, Teaching and Class Management**

Teach allocated pupils by planning their teaching to achieve progression of learning through:

* + - * identifying clear teaching objectives and specifying how they will be taught and assessed;
			* setting tasks which challenge pupils and ensure high levels of interest;
			* setting appropriate and demanding expectations;
			* setting clear targets, building on prior attainment;
			* identifying SEN or very able pupils;
			* providing clear structures for lessons maintaining pace, motivation and challenge;
			* making effective use of assessment and ensure coverage of programmes of study;
			* ensuring effective teaching and best use of available time;
			* maintaining discipline in accordance with the school's procedures and encouraging good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework;
			* using a variety of teaching methods to:
* match approach to content, structure information, present a set of key ideas and use appropriate vocabulary
* use effective questioning, listen carefully to pupils, give attention to errors and misconceptions
* select appropriate learning resources and develop study skills through library, I.C.T. and other sources;
* ensuring pupils acquire and consolidate knowledge, skills and understanding appropriate to the subject taught;
* evaluating own teaching critically to improve effectiveness;
* ensuring the effective and efficient deployment of classroom support.

**Monitoring, Assessment, Recording, Reporting**

* assess how well learning objectives have been achieved and use them to improve specific aspects of teaching;
* mark and monitor pupils' work and set targets for progress;
* assess and record pupils' progress systematically and keep records to check work is understood and completed, monitor strengths and weaknesses, inform planning and recognise the level at which the pupil is achieving;
* undertake assessment of students as requested by examination bodies,
* departmental and school procedures;
* prepare and present informative reports to parents.

**Curriculum Development**

* Have lead responsibility for a subject or aspect of the school's work and develop plans which identify clear targets and success criteria for its development and / or maintenance;
* Contribute to the whole school's planning activities.

**Pastoral Duties**

* be a form tutor to an assigned group of students;
* promote the general progress and well-being of individual students and of the Form Tutor Group as a whole;
* liaise with the Pastoral Leader to ensure the implementation of the school's pastoral system;
* register students, accompany them to assemblies, encourage their full attendance at all lessons and their participation in other aspects of school life;
* contribute to the preparation of Action Plans and progress files and other reports;
* alert appropriate staff to problems experienced by students and make recommendations as to how these may be resolved;
* communicate, as appropriate, with parents of students and persons or bodies outside the school concerned with the welfare of individual students, after consultation with appropriate staff;
* contribute to PSHE and citizenship and enterprise according to school policy.

**Other Professional Requirements**

* have a working knowledge of teachers' professional duties and legal liabilities;
* operate at all times within the stated policies and practices of the school;
* know subject(s) or specialism(s) to enable effective teaching;
* establish effective working relationships and set a good example through their presentation and personal and professional conduct;
* endeavour to give every child the opportunity to reach their potential and meet high expectations;
* contribute positively and effectively to safeguarding and prevent policies
* co-operate with other staff to ensure a sharing and effective usage of resources to the benefit of the school, department and students;
* contribute to the corporate life of the school through effective participation in meetings and management systems necessary to coordinate the management of the school;
* take part in marketing and liaison activities such as Open Evenings, Parents Evenings, Review days and events with partner schools;
* take responsibility for own professional development and duties in relation to school policies and practices;
* liaise effectively with parents and governors.

**Person Specification –Teacher of English**

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|  | **Essential** | **Desirable** |
| **Skills and Qualifications** | * Degree and QTS.
* Ability to teach English, English Literature & English Language to KS5.
* For experienced teachers, a good track record of teaching GCSE & A Level.
* An outstanding teacher.
* Ability to deploy a wide range of teaching strategies.
 | * Experience of teaching 11-18.
* Experience of teaching a second subject e.g. Media or Performing Arts
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| **Experience** | * Experience in the role of form tutor.
* Delivering PSHE lessons.
* Offering extra-curricular activities.
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| **Personal Qualities** | * The desire to see English as an essential part of the life of the school.
* The ability to develop strong and appropriate relationships with students
* Commitment to extra-curricular activities.
* Ability to work on own initiative and as part of a team
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| Other | * Awareness, understanding and commitment to equal opportunities
* An understanding of the needs of young people.
* Capacity to work hard with all pupils.
* Excellent health and attendance record.
* Positive and cheerful attitude
* Sense of humour.
* To understand the responsibility of safeguarding and the welfare of children.
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