



Seven Kings School

Friendship Excellence Opportunity

Teacher of Drama

MPS/UPR (TLR available for the right candidate)

Full time or Part time (0.8) considered

From April 2024

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your interest in our school and the post of Teacher of Drama.

Seven Kings School

Seven Kings School is a successful all through school in the London Borough of Redbridge, with a strong local and national reputation. We are a mixed, multi-ethnic community school providing high quality education to local children of all abilities. All staff contribute to our vision in creating an all through school which is a model of exceptional practice for all of our community and beyond. There are approximately 2230 students on roll, 500 of these in our dynamic Sixth Form which brings together outstanding learners from across East London (50% of our Sixth Form) to join our own students and is an exciting place to study. The school is always oversubscribed and enjoys strong support from parents and governors. We are a 'harmonious school' with an excellent learning environment.

Outcomes are consistently high in all phases and were once again excellent in 2023, placing us as one of the best state schools in the country. We are the most oversubscribed state school in the country. We were recently reaccredited World Class School status and are one of the Mayor of London's Schools for Success.

2019: GCSE 71% Grade 5+ English and Maths, 82% Grade 4+ English and Maths, with a P8 score of +0.83 and A-level

2023: GCSE 77% Grade 5+ English and Maths, 88% Grade 4+ English and Maths, with a P8 score of +0.92 and A Level 77% A*-C.

In our last OFSTED inspection in September 2018 we were judged to be outstanding, it reports on the 'unwavering focus...leaders leaving no stone unturned.... exceptional teaching.... of awe and wonder'. It is a joyous read; this is a school where students want to learn and relationships are excellent. We are proud to run a successful provision which integrates students with physical disabilities into mainstream education.

Seven Kings is a vibrant and fulfilling place to work with excellent opportunities for personal and professional development. We are proud of our induction and support programmes for all teaching staff and our high quality continuing professional development opportunities. Staff retention rates are high. The Seven Kings Learning Partnership is a thriving partnership of 23 schools providing exciting opportunities for staff development which is at the heart of our continuing success. We support schools in raising standards and we are committed to educational innovation. The school is regularly involved in local and national initiatives, all of which offer opportunities to our staff to enhance their professional development and develop their career at whatever stage.

The Drama Team

What we are looking for

The drama department is dynamic, forward-thinking and committed to fostering creativity, self-expression, and personal growth in our students. We take pride in providing a stimulating learning environment that encourages students to explore their potential and develop a lifelong appreciation for the performing arts. We aim to create an environment where creativity knows no bounds, where students explore diverse theatrical traditions, and where their unique voices find expression.

Together, we will produce captivating performances that engage audiences, challenge perceptions, and leave a lasting impact. Our vision is to empower our students with the skills, confidence, and passion they need to not only excel in the world of theatre but also carry the transformative power of drama into their lives beyond our classrooms.

The successful candidate will teach a range of texts, techniques and theatre styles at KS3 and KS4 with the hope of teaching KS5 in future. The perfect drama teacher is patient, supportive, and adaptable, tailoring their teaching to the diverse needs and abilities of our students. They are not just educators but also directors, producers, and mentors, guiding students through the world of theatre, nurturing their talents, and instilling the confidence to take centre stage in both the spotlight and life beyond the stage. Above all, the perfect drama teacher is committed to creating a safe and inclusive space where every student feels valued, empowered, and ready to embrace the magic of drama.

What we offer

The department enjoys very good facilities and resources. The main drama studio is equipped with a surround sound system and a fully working lighting board that allows students to explore innovative performance and design skills. Our second drama studio is also equipped with a surround sound system and projector. Our vision is to Question and Challenge; Inspire to be Inspired. The department works collaboratively within the school and our Learning Partnership, to provide the highest standards of learning and teaching for our lovely, young people.

We lead the Seven Kings Learning Partnership of 23 schools, Seven Kings is involved in a wide range of collaborative work with our partner schools and the Drama team is at the forefront of this exciting work. We are very proud of the achievements but remain committed to continue to reflect and innovate to further raise standards. We are also very proud of our outreach work supporting our colleagues in other schools to ensure excellent outcomes for their young people.

What we are looking for

Drama at Seven Kings is a successful subject. The post offers an excellent opportunity for the right person to develop their career within an exciting and supportive department in an outstanding school. Results are excellent across all levels. In 2023, at key stage 3, 90% of students reached level 5 or higher with 56% reaching level 6 or higher. At GCSE, 100% of students achieved a Grade 4 or higher and 88% achieved a Grade 5 or higher. This year we do not have an A level Drama class however as the GCSE numbers become higher each year this is something we are hoping to implement in the near future.

We are looking for a candidate who is eager to develop this role and we welcome applications which will ensure we are continuing to diversify our staff and leadership, we are committed to equal opportunities. The right candidate can make something of this role and help lead the school further in its development and we are excited by this prospect.

We hope that you will decide to pursue your application and that you will consider a future with us at Seven Kings.

If you would like to arrange a visit to the school, please telephone Sharon Taak, HR Manager to make an appointment 020 8554 8935

We look forward to hearing from you.

Ms Jane Waters
Executive Headteacher