



The Shared Learning Trust

THE CHALK
HILLS ACADEMY

WHY WORK FOR THE CHALK HILLS ACADEMY?

ABOUT US

- £30 million state of the art building with well-equipped classrooms, in an Ofsted rated 'Good' school.
- You'll be working alongside a collaborative, forward thinking Principal and Senior Leadership Team who are here to support and develop you
- Unparalleled CPD opportunities with free courses every Thursday, catered to your development needs
- Excellent opportunities to develop and grow in a successful and expanding academy
- Freshly brewed coffee for staff on arrival to the academy every morning in your own 12oz Bamboo reusable cup
- Employee of the month scheme, winning shopping vouchers
- Fantastic staff benefits that make a difference to your work-life balance
- 15% of annual membership for Active Luton Gym

SAFEGUARDING

"We believe in the safeguarding and welfare of children and expect all staff to share this view."

The academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service. We are an equal opportunities employer.

The Department of Education (DfE) has set out statutory guidance 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' for schools and colleges on safeguarding. Safeguarding is defined in paragraph 4 as: "Protecting children from maltreatment; preventing impairment of children's health or development; ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care; and taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes."

The definition of 'children' includes everyone under the age of 18.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU

Please read the information in this pack. If you are interested in this job opportunity, please apply online today via our career site on:

<https://www.thesharedlearningtrust.org.uk/vacancies3/60982.html>

If you have any questions about the role or would like to visit the academy, please contact **HR Recruitment, Jay Powell on 01582 211 226** or j.powell@thesharedlearningtrust.org.uk

If you decide to apply, you should include a letter with your application form on no more than two sides of A4, giving your reasons for applying for the post, addressing information you have read in the pack with particular reference to the person specification and outline any relevant experience you would bring to the trust. Please do not send a generic letter; we really are looking for someone who is prepared to respond to us as an individual trust. You can be sure we will take time and care in reading your letter; we appreciate how much energy goes into it.



HERE'S WHAT OFSTED HAVE TO SAY

"Together with your leadership team, governors and the trust, you have established high expectations for behaviour, teaching and achievement. Leaders have made sure that strategies are in place which have to led to improvements in the quality of teaching, learning, assessment and the curriculum. Leaders have high expectations for pupils' behaviour. Leaders work well with staff to ensure that the school is typically a calm, orderly and purposeful environment." Ofsted May 2018

WELCOME TO THE SHARED LEARNING TRUST



Cathy Barr,
CEO

We aim to recruit outstanding people who have the right attitude. If you have a love for teaching and are passionate about seeing children succeed, we would love to hear from you!

Recruiting the right staff helps us to achieve the goals we have set out for our children. We are always keen to hear from educators who are passionate about working for the schools and communities we serve. We would rather make no appointment than appoint someone who does not share the same positive ethos that runs through our academies. For this reason, we try and clearly articulate our vision, values and expectations when putting together information for applicants.

We aim to recruit staff who:

- Are excited by their role and by the prospect of working with young people, even those who are less motivated
- Love the processes of learning and teaching and are keen to continually develop their own skills
- Recognise that teaching can be a demanding job and react positively to those demands
- Will subscribe to the ethos of the trust and 'go the extra mile' in terms of time and commitment to get the very best from our young people
- See break duty as an opportunity to talk to children
- Are quick to praise and slow to criticise and are not afraid to admit to seeing themselves as potential leaders of the future

I am conscious that this may be your first contact with the trust and first impressions are very important. I hope what you have read, coupled with anything else you discover about us, inspires you to apply for this post.

With best wishes, Cathy

Firstly, let me start by thanking you for taking the time to read our information pack and allowing us the opportunity to tell you more about The Shared Learning Trust.

I first began working for The Shared Learning Trust as principal of The Stockwood Park Academy in 2009. Since then, the trust has grown from strength to strength, employing some 500 fantastic staff members who serve over 3,700 children within our communities. It is my privilege to be CEO of our family of schools and work with each principal or head of school to ensure the best possible education in their own academy.

Our ethos is simple; to build a collaborative partnership of academies and schools that will provide exceptional educational provisions, both in and outside the classroom for all our children. Our academies ensure students are supported, monitored and encouraged, ensuring that their learning experience will be challenging, rewarding and memorable. Students enjoy their time at our academies and give back to the wider community. They are role models and young leaders, who contribute to collegiate ethos with maturity.



MEET OUR LEADERSHIP



**LOUISE LEE,
EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL**



**RAZA ALI,
HEAD OF SCHOOL**

Dear Applicant,

It is a privilege and an honour to lead Chalk Hills Academy.

Our students are extremely motivated and have an exceptional desire to achieve and behave impeccably. Our staff are highly qualified and work tirelessly in the pursuit of world class progress for all of our students. The facilities at Chalk Hills Academy are state of the art, providing students with the opportunity to develop their interests and skills in a wide range of areas.

As an Academy within the Shared Learning Trust, we believe our key aim is to give every child the best possible opportunity to flourish and develop into decent, disciplined, well-educated and employable adults. Learning is clearly at the heart of all we do.

I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to you.

Best wishes,

Louise Lee & Raza Ali

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- ALBERT EINSTEIN



VISION & VALUES



'STRIVE, ACHIEVE, BELIEVE'

We are a unique family of schools, sharing our practice and beliefs to enable young people to achieve more than they ever thought possible. At The Shared Learning Trust, we will provide exceptional opportunities for all to be aspirational and develop a passion and excitement for learning! We will ensure our children, students and adults cultivate a strong self-belief so that they can flourish and develop into successful, well-rounded, self-respecting people. Our commitment to this vision can be demonstrated by our behaviours:

STRIVE

We will:

- Provide a caring, nurturing environment where children and young adults feel happy, healthy and supported. Our academies will be places of safety, enabling pupils to develop courage, strong ambition and be the best that they can be
- Continue to work together to share innovative practice and to provide a wealth of opportunities for all pupils and staff
- Have a Cross-Trust focus on high achievement and standards, where children are supported to meet ambitious targets
- Focus on the development of all our staff through quality recruitment and retention, with excellent opportunities for clear and dynamic career progression

ACHIEVE

We will:

- Aspire to provide exceptional lessons and learning opportunities, incorporating effective use of new technologies, enabling our learners to be successful and innovative
- Shared strong trust approaches to our key issues, e.g. teaching, assessment, attendance and curriculum development
- Offer an interesting yet challenging curriculum in each of our academies
- By our all-through education, guarantee excellent 2-19 provision, with clear progression routes for all
- Continue to expect good behaviour and conduct at all times, allowing all to make progress and achieve excellence
- Place emphasis on collaboration with partners outside of our trust to maximise opportunities for all in our trust

BELIEVE

We will:

- Enable all of our learners to develop and flourish, through close working and regular communication with our families and local community
- Care for our families beyond the school day, supporting the development of high self-esteem and belief
- Ensure that every child in our trust reaches their full potential by providing exciting opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom
- Promote can-do attitudes and resilience across the trust that develop belief and high expectation



ABOUT THE CHALK HILLS ACADEMY

Providing the very best education for all our students is the simple goal for The Chalk Hills Academy. Whilst firmly rooted in traditional values, we have made our Academy a vibrant and exciting place with a positive ethos that runs throughout the Academy. We want our children to flourish and develop into decent, disciplined, well-educated and employable adults.

We have an innovative curriculum, which makes the transition from primary to secondary education an enriching and enjoyable experience and enables students to follow a personalised route to success. Our students are achieving the highest standards in the classroom, on the sports field and among the community.

Our state of the art building which we moved into in February 2011 offers cutting edge facilities that are benefiting students even further. Our hardworking and motivated staff are providing outstanding lessons and are given the best possible support. We work closely with parents and carers, encouraging their children to achieve and ensuring that excellent progress is made.

With the rigorous use of data, constant assessment of student progress and quality assurance methods, together, we are achieving more than we ever thought possible. We instantly respond if students experience difficulties. Dialogue with teachers is encouraged as a framework for students to develop ideas, ask questions think about their learning.

TEACHER TESTIMONIAL

NATASHA JABBAR, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

"Moving from Industry to Teaching was a daunting yet exciting experience; I joined Stockwood Park Academy as an instructor to see if teaching was for me and have never looked back! The seamless transition into education was exciting, demanding, and the best decision I made. Like many teachers at the school, my role has evolved, and I have been fortunate enough to work across the Trust in different positions. The Trust has provided me with multiple opportunities to grow and develop. I now work as an Assistant Principal at The Chalk Hills Academy, with a focus on The Teaching Trust, Admissions and Science. I feel extremely privileged to be working for an organisation that inspires learning, growth, confidence and creativity, and challenges students to rise to their full potential in a warm and caring environment."



STAFF BENEFITS

We offer a fantastic range of benefits across our trust, supporting our staff in a variety of ways. From an extensive **Wellbeing package**, to an onsite car wash, you can be reassured that we have your best interests at heart.



Staff social events, including 5-a-side football and BBQs



Free eye test vouchers



Free, onsite car parking at all academies



Reduced gym membership & free onsite gym*



Reduced rates for onsite professional car wash



Cycle to work scheme



Staff recognition with reward shopping vouchers



Support for all staff with an experienced licensed counsellor



Enhanced pension employer's contribution & death in service payment



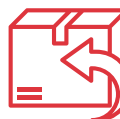
Onsite Indian head or shoulder massage



Free tea & coffee plus a reusable Bamboo coffee cup for new starters



Dry cleaning & ironing service



Online delivery drop off service, including Amazon deliveries



Support with relocation, including a range of information and contacts



Refer a friend £500 bonus scheme

CAREER PROGRESSION

Offering all our colleagues the opportunity to progress and flourish within their careers is paramount at The Shared Learning Trust.

Therefore we have partnered with the Teacher Development Trust, offering our colleagues to further their professional development by studying for specialist NPQs which are all completely funded.

We also offer CPD through The National College, offering a huge variety of CPD courses to all staff.



All colleagues have access to Perkbox, our Employee Benefits Programme, offering them a huge range of perks from vouchers, to free hot drinks or sausage rolls, from online gym classes to free online movies and a substantial **wellbeing package**.

When it's your birthday, you can also choose from a wide range of birthday boxes, complimentary of us!



Perkbox also provides access to 24/7 access to GP appointments, confidential support and guidance through our Employee Assistance Programme.

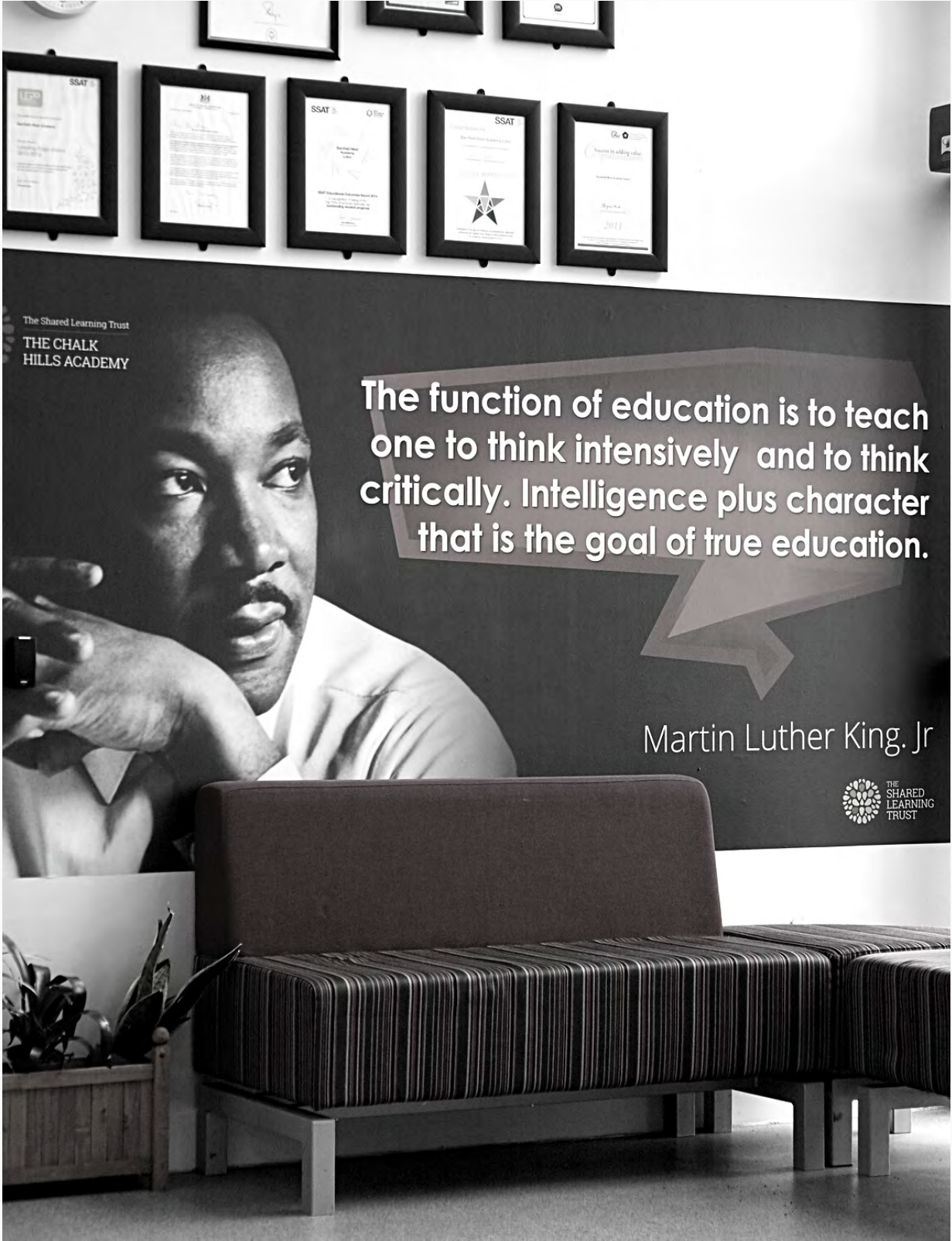
Colleagues have access to a team of fully qualified counsellors and advisors, with support for a range of emotional, legal and financial issues, along with a **wellbeing portal**, full of resources and videos.

RECRUITMENT BOOKLET



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The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character that is the goal of true education.

Martin Luther King, Jr



SEE MORE AT

WWW.THESHAREDLEARNINGTRUST.ORG.UK



Site Manager

The Chalk Hills Academy are seeking a proactive and hands-on Site Manager to join our Facilities Team. We are looking for an individual with good handy-person skills and eagerness to carry out the work in an efficient manner. You will join our friendly and good-humored Facilities Department to help keep our Academy safe, clean and in a good state of repair. We are seeking a committed Site Manager who will carry out general repairs and maintenance, liaise with contractors and suppliers and ensure our Academy maintains a high level of health and safety.

At our Academy, you will find supportive and encouraging colleagues within school leadership and throughout the school. It is incredibly important to us here at The Chalk Hills Academy that all our staff feel valued, listened to, mentored, challenged and given adequate opportunities to develop.

If you want to grow and develop in a varied and interesting role, come and join us.

Key Duties

- BMS System
- Managing Compliancy
- Managing a small team
- Ensuring the premises are open for use as and when required and securing the premises at the end of each shift following correct procedures for alarm systems to ensure the site remains a safe environment at all times.
- M&E Engineering background for plumbing, electrical and joinery work
- Maintaining premises in a good state of repair
- Addressing Health and Safety issues
- Negotiate the renewal and manage the arrangements of maintained contracts and associated SLAs for the academy
- Responsible first key holder for the site and available on call outs
- To encompass all other Site duties related to The Chalk Hills Academy

The successful candidate will have

- A hardworking committed colleague to join the site-team at TCHA
- 3-5 years' experience of Site management
- BMS system experience
- Compliance experience
- DIY maintenance of buildings and site-management is required

Job Specifics:

Start date: 5th June 2023 or as soon as possible

Salary: NJC L7 pt. 26 – 28 £32,909 - £34,723

Contract: Full time, permanent, 52 weeks, 37 hours per week – Rota Shift between 6.30am – 6.30pm



Job Description

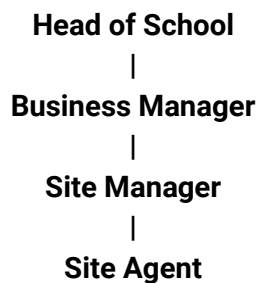
Responsible to: Business Manager

VISION AND PURPOSE

Responsible to the Business Manager for the attention required to keep the School functioning, particularly in the areas of:

1. Manage and ensure the security of the academy premises.
2. Heating and Lighting.
3. Managing high standards of cleanliness.
4. Managing premises in good state of repair.
5. Addressing Health and Safety Issues

ORGANISATION CHART:



PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Experience of Building Management system essential
2. Experience of Air Handling Units, sprinkler systems, suppression systems
3. Experience of Legionella testing
4. First point of call for contractors- must be able to work Independently.
5. Responsibility as first Keyholder for the site and undertake associated call out duties on a 24-hour basis
 - a. To notify the police of any damage to the building, obtain a crime number, secure the building if necessary
 - b. Monitor on site traffic, reporting any issues necessary to the senior leadership team
6. Collate weekly report for Business manager on all site related issues and jobs including contractors
7. Oversee and be on call to assist in the security of premises. Being on call at short notice which includes evenings and weekends.
8. Flexibility on working hours
9. Readiness to compliance training
10. To ensure that the site and grounds are maintained at all times in a safe, clean, and healthy state for pupils, staff and visitors and other user of the site facilities.
11. Help to ensure that the temperature within the school is maintained at appropriate levels and that all heating and lighting equipment operates efficiently, is regularly maintained with due consideration to energy efficiency. Where appropriate, ensure adequate supplies of fossil fuels are available to enable continuity of heating.
12. Manage the Site Agents to ensure that standards of cleanliness are maintained within the school .
13. Assisting Lettings Co Ordinator with any additional requests for out of hour bookings and supporting on site security where necessary.
14. Undertake other duties as required by the post.



15. Ensure all compliance testing and records are maintained which includes Fire Alarm, Boiler systems and Intruder alarm
16. To identify and carry out first line minor repairs and maintenance where requested
17. To be responsible for the health and safety on site and attend appropriate health & safety training courses when requested.
18. IT experience essential

Financial Resources:

- Will be responsible for ordering supplies
- Financially responsible for Building and Maintenance Budget

Physical Resources:

- Responsible for the safety and security of the building, cleaning and handyperson tools and equipment.
- Ensuring resources are available for the site team

Physical Effort:

- High Level of fitness required

Working Environment:

- The post holder regularly works outdoors and will sometimes be exposed to the weather in doing so.
- The Chalk Hills Academy encourages employees to use their initiative and contribute new ideas to site improvement.

CONTEXT: All support staff are part of a whole school team. They are required to support the values and ethos of the school and school priorities as defined in the School Improvement Plan. This will mean focussing on the needs of colleagues, parents and pupils and being flexible in a busy pressurised environment.

The requirement for this role is to be available to work on a Rota shift.