

Job description

Head of Computer Science & Business

Job Title: Head of Computer Science & Business

Working Hours: Full time, five days a week (Monday to Friday)

Starting date: September 2020

Staff responsible to: Head of Faculty

Accountable to: Head Teacher

Job Purpose

To ensure all students achieve high standards of learning and well-being and to provide high quality education and care in any area of the school which meets the requirements of the below statutory documents:

- 1. Professional Standards for Teachers (as set out below)
- 2. The Conditions of Employment for Teachers

Teachers' Standards

Teachers make the education of their students their first concern and are accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct. Teachers act with honesty and integrity; have strong subject knowledge, keep their knowledge and skills as teachers up-to-date and are self-critical; forge positive professional relationships and work with parents in the best interests of their students.

Part One: Teaching

A teacher must:

Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge students

- Establish a safe and stimulating environment for students, rooted in mutual respect
- Set goals that stretch and challenge students of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions
- Demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of students.

Promote good progress and outcomes by students

- Be accountable for students' attainment, progress and outcomes
- Be aware of students' capabilities and their prior knowledge, and plan teaching to build these
- Guide students to reflect on progress they have made and their emerging needs

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how students learn and how this impacts on teaching
- Encourage students to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study

Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge

- Have a secure knowledge of the relevant subject(s) and curriculum areas, foster and maintain students' interest in the subject and address misunderstandings
- Demonstrate a critical understanding of developments in the subject and curriculum areas
- Demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard English

Plan and teach well-structured lessons

- Impart knowledge and develop understanding through effective use of lesson time
- Promote a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity
- Set homework and plan out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding students have acquired
- Reflect systematically on the effectiveness of lessons and approaches to teaching
- Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all students
- Know when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable students to be taught effectively
- Have a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit students' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these
- Demonstrate an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and how to adapt teaching to support students' education at different stages of development
- Have a clear understanding of the needs of all students, including those with special educational needs; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approached to engage and support them

Make accurate and productive use of assessment

- Know and understand how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessment requirements
- Make use of formative and summative assessment to secure students' progress
- Use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets and plan subsequent lessons
- Give students regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage students to respond to the feedback

Manage behaviour effectively to ensure a good and safe learning environment

- Have clear rules and routines for behaviour in classrooms, and take responsibility for promoting good and courteous behaviour in classrooms and around the school, in accordance with the school's behaviour policy
- Have high expectations of behaviour, and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly
- Manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to students' needs in order to involve and motivate them

 Maintain good relationships with students, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- Make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school
- Develop effective professional relationships with colleagues, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support
- Take responsibility for improving teaching through appropriate professional development, responding to advice and feedback from colleagues
- Communicate effectively with parents with regard to students' achievements and well being

Part Two: Personal and Professional Conduct

A teacher is expected to demonstrate consistently high standards of personal and professional conduct. The following statements define the behaviour and attitudes which set the required standard for conduct throughout a teacher's career.

Teachers uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school by:

- Treating students with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's profession
- Having regard to the need to safeguard students' well-being, in accordance with statutory provisions
- Showing tolerance of and respect for the rights of others
- Not undermining fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs
- Ensuring that personal beliefs are expressed in ways which do not exploit students' vulnerability or might lead them to break the law
- Teachers must have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which they teach, and maintain high standards in their own attendance and punctuality
- Teachers must have an understanding of, and always act within, the statutory frameworks which set out their professional duties and responsibilities

Standard duties:

- To actively promote the equalities and diversity agenda in the education sector
- To be familiar with care, health and safety policies and procedures of the school
- To participate in self-improvement through performance management procedures
- To undertake any additional duties commensurate with the grade of the post

Special Conditions:

- An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check
- Prohibition Order check
- Satisfactory references
- Relevant qualifications & QTS certificates
- Eligibility to work in the UK