



Head of Psychology Department

Person Specification

Specification	Essential	Desirable
Safeguarding	Commitment to the safeguarding and well-being of all students and the ability to follow all school policy and procedures	
Qualifications	 Degree or equivalent in Psychology Qualified Teacher Status Teaching degree or equivalent (BA, Bed, PGCSE etc) 	 MA or equivalent in Psychology
Knowledge, and Experience	 Up to date and working knowledge of the teaching of Psychology Up to date knowledge of appropriate resources which delivers outstanding teaching and learning opportunities. Good knowledge and understanding of learning and teaching at KS3, KS4 and KS5. Excellent subject knowledge Excellent behaviour management skills 	 Experience of leadership, e.g. TLR holder Experience of monitoring and evaluating groups of student's performance A clear understanding of how new technology can contribute to teaching and learning Awareness of inclusion, SEND, literacy and numeracy issues
Skills/Abilities	 Good leadership skills Ability to deal with challenging behaviour Ability to act on own initiative Ability to motivate and encourage students Ability to observe and monitor progress and maintain records 	 Experience of instructional coaching Experience of observing and giving feedback A good working knowledge of Microsoft Office
Personal Qualities	 Good communication skills Calm, patient and an appreciation of a sense of humour Team player Flexible attitude Proactive Motivated Well organised 	 Desire to seek continual improvement