

## Person Specification

## Job Title: Head of Modern Foreign Languages

| Knowledge   | Essential | Desirable |
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| I. Good understanding of your subject secondary curriculum, Key       | ✓         |           |
| Stage 3 & Key Stage 4. Key Stage 5 desirable                          |           |           |
| 2. Knowledge of current issues facing MFL departments                 | ✓         |           |
| 3. A record of appropriate and continuing CPD                         |           | ✓         |
| 4. Good understanding of school improvement and Ofsted                | ✓         |           |
| inspection framework  |           |           |
| 5. Knowledge of departmental monitoring and tracking systems and      | ✓         |           |
| their role in securing improvement                                    |           |           |
| 6. Ability to provide clear evaluation and strategies for improvement | ✓         |           |
| for leadership teams and departments                                  |           |           |
| 7. Ability to use Raise Online and other data to analyse and evaluate |           | ✓         |
| school/departmental performance                                       |           |           |
| 8. Good understanding and knowledge of current and new                | ✓         |           |
| examination specifications  |           |           |
| 9. Ability to offer advice on school-based assessments and on         | ✓         |           |
| examination preparation for examinations                              |           |           |
| 10. Able to assess school-based assessments accurately and identify   | ✓         |           |
| strategies for improvement  |           |           |
| 11. Experience of exam board marking                                  |           | ✓         |
| 12. Knowledge and understanding of marking criteria and using         | ✓         |           |
| experience of this to support departmental colleagues                 |           |           |
| Qualifications  |           |           |
| 13. Degree in Modern Foreign Languages (French/ German/ Spanish)      | <b>✓</b>  |           |
| with the ability to teach at least 2 to GCSE level and 1 to A level   |           |           |
| 14. Qualified Teacher Status  | ✓         |           |
| 15. Masters degree in MFL or Education / further study                |           | <b>√</b>  |
| 16. Evidence of involvement in relevant CPD                           |           | <b>√</b>  |
| Experience  |           |           |
| 17. Experience of leading or supporting leadership of a department    | ✓         |           |
| or providing support to a school/department                           |           |           |
| 18. Successful experience of teaching at key stages 3 & 4             | ✓         |           |
| 19. Evidence of managing and leading a new initiative across a        | ✓         |           |
| department or whole school  |           |           |

| 20. Evidence of involvement in transformational change within a      |   | ✓ |
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| department   |   |   |
| 21. Outreach work / supporting a department in challenging           |   | ✓ |
| circumstances  |   |   |
| Skills   |   |   |
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| 22. To be able to demonstrate high quality teaching                  | ✓ |   |
| 23. An outstanding classroom practitioner with a clear direction and | ✓ |   |
| vision for teaching and promoting the subject across the Academy     |   |   |
| 24. Outstanding relationships with students and staff members        | ✓ |   |
| which promotes excellent classroom discipline and attainment         |   |   |
| 25. Able to deliver bespoke CPD to colleagues and trainees           | ✓ |   |
| 26. To be able to analyse and review data and provide feedback and   | ✓ |   |
| high quality reports   |   |   |
| 27. To be able to develop intervention strategies that bring about   | ✓ |   |
| rapid improvement  |   |   |
| 29. Able to work flexibly and under pressure                         | ✓ |   |
| 30. Able to provide clear strategies for improvement, following      | ✓ |   |
| analysis/review of data and/or performance                           |   |   |
| 31. To be able to provide resources for departments                  | ✓ |   |
| 32. Develop and deliver clear examination and intervention work      | ✓ |   |