

## OVERFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL Deputy Head Teacher – Person Specification

Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	
<ul><li>Qualified Teacher status</li><li>Degree status</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Evidence of additional further educational qualifications suitable to the post</li> <li>Professional development in preparation for a leadership post</li> </ul>
Experience	
<ul> <li>An outstanding teacher with evidence of raising standards</li> <li>Excellent knowledge of the new national curriculum an implementing a creative approach to a curriculum that motivates and excites children</li> <li>Extensive successful teaching experience in the primary age range</li> <li>Proven leadership &amp; management experience in the primary age range</li> <li>Experience of teaching in more than one key stage</li> <li>Experience of leading aspects of school improvement in a significant area</li> <li>Analysis and interpretation of data available to school leaders to inform school improvement. Significant experience required to analyse and present this to a variety of audiences to support driving standards forward, narrow gaps and allocate funding.</li> <li>Experience of leading a range of INSET for staff</li> <li>Be skilled in self evaluation</li> <li>Proven successful behaviour management strategies</li> <li>Experience of working in partnership with parents and other agencies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience of working with and involving school Governors – understanding their role and impact</li> <li>Experience of working with &amp; developing links with the community</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of supporting the successful integration of children from different backgrounds</li> <li>Budgetary management and principles of best value</li> <li>Understanding and experience of the role of Deputy nominated teacher for safeguarding</li> <li>Experience of using coaching and mentoring skills to raise standards</li> </ul>
Knowledge & Understanding	
<ul> <li>Evidence of using data analysis, progress analysis and target setting to inform whole school development</li> <li>Show a deep understanding, and ability to lead on, interpreting, analysing and presenting school data</li> <li>Confident use of ICT communication skills</li> <li>Up to date knowledge &amp; understanding of the current national education agenda</li> <li>Understanding of how children &amp; adults learn and effectively apply their learning</li> <li>Evidence of effective teaching, assessment, target setting and evaluating</li> <li>Working knowledge of statutory safeguarding requirements</li> </ul>	Confidence in using handheld devices, for example I Pads

## Leadership skills

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<ul> <li>To assist the head in leading primary school This will require the ability to:</li> <li>Lead on the development of assessment and data analysis</li> <li>Lead and manage people to work both individually and in teams towards a common goal</li> <li>Delegate and monitor effectively</li> <li>Aid the head to initiate and manage change &amp; improvement in pursuit of strategic objectives</li> <li>Motivate and inspire by setting and following high standards</li> <li>Understands and secures accountability of others</li> <li>Be a performance management appraiser</li> <li>Demonstrate the importance of distribution and delegation of leadership responsibilities</li> <li>Seek advice &amp; support when necessary</li> <li>Deal sensitively with people and resolve conflicts</li> <li>Ability to investigate, resolve problems &amp; make decisions</li> <li>Collect and weigh evidence, make judgements and take decisions in line with good educational practice</li> <li>Think creatively &amp; imaginatively to solve problems and identify opportunities</li> <li>Experience of leading, challenging and developing staff to secure improvement</li> <li>Be relentless in their drive to raise standards and support children's learning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Undertaken a leadership course such as NCSL 'Leadership Pathways' or similar</li> <li>Evidence of successful development planning</li> <li>Evidence of professional development relevant to preparation for assistant/deputy headship</li> <li>Has a good understanding of pupil premium and has experience of ensuring their progress is accelerated and supported</li> </ul>

Communication Skills		
<ul> <li>Ability to communicate clearly and take into account, where appropriate, the views of others</li> <li>An ability to negotiate and consult</li> <li>Effectively communicate orally and in writing to a range of audiences, especially parents</li> <li>Self Management Skills</li> <li>Ability to plan time and organise work effectively</li> <li>Prioritise and manage time</li> <li>Work under pressure and meet deadlines</li> <li>Be self motivating and set personal goals</li> </ul>	An ability to communicate with a range of stakeholders beyond the school	
Personal attributes		
<ul> <li>To have drive and initiative</li> <li>To have enthusiasm and a positive "can-do" approach to challenges and solving problems. Relentlessly positive</li> <li>Strong personal leadership and management skills that inspire and motivate while being ambitious for the school</li> <li>To be able to adapt to changing circumstances</li> <li>To be imaginative, creative and innovative</li> <li>To be reliable</li> <li>Demonstrate resilience, perseverance and the ability to cope with the pressures of a demanding management position alongside a strong determination to succeed</li> <li>To be thorough and attentive to detail</li> <li>To have great integrity</li> <li>Committed to the pursuit of excellence through reflective practice and continued professional development</li> <li>A commitment to the broader life of the school</li> </ul>	Development of extra curricular provision/ curricular enrichment	

## Application

Candidates should indicate their areas of strength and expertise, projects or areas of school development on which they have led and how team work has formed a key element. **References** Two fully supportive references to cover all the candidates professional and personal qualities. The post will require a satisfactory disclosure clearance (DBS) at an enhanced level