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Dear Candidate

TRAFALGAR SCHOOL: TEACHER OF ART DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Thank you for your interest in the above post. Please find information about our school on the website www.trafalgarschool.org.uk

As a UNICEF Rights Respecting School, we are a socially responsible and collaborative school committed to the development of every member of its learning community. We are a very inclusive school in which all our students successfully access a broad and balanced curriculum. Since 2015 we have increased our NOR from 380 to over 1000 and, as a consequence, are recruiting additional teaching staff to meet our year on year rise in numbers.

This post offers the opportunity to join the school at a very exciting point in its development. Our aim is to provide an outstanding all-round educational experience and we are committed to the success and excellence for all our students. In June 2023 we were inspected by OFSTED and judged to be a strongly 'good' school with 'outstanding' personal development. We are enjoying the next stage of our journey (to become outstanding in all areas!) and continue to receive incredible feedback about our child centred approach; our leaders share our best practice through extensive outreach work across the city and beyond.

At KS3, Design is taught across 4 rotations of Technology consisting of three lessons a fortnight of either Textiles, Graphics, 3D Design and Food Tech. Art is delivered once a fortnight, with students covering a range of skills including drawing, painting, printing and photography. Moving into KS4, students are then able to make an informed choice between GCSE AQA Fine Art, Graphic Communication, Photography, Textiles, 3D Design and OCR Food Preparation and Nutrition. Student progress in the faculty is consistently outstanding across all disciplines.

Over £160,000 was invested into refurbishing the Art and Design Technology department in 2021, redeveloping the classrooms into state-of-the-art studios. Each studio is designed to facilitate a variety of artistic specialisms with access to a range of equipment from sewing machines, throwing wheels, 3D printers and a fully equipped photographic studio and dark room.

Applicants should demonstrate a well thought out philosophy of education which reflects the needs of all learners. They will be keen to play a full part in the life of the school community, to support its distinctive mission and ethos and to encourage and ensure staff and students follow this example. Most importantly, as far as personal characteristics are concerned, we would like to find someone with warmth, enthusiasm, flexibility, and a generosity of spirit. Last, but by no means least, a sense of humour is essential!

Candidates should return the completed application form with a letter of application by Friday 17th November 2023 (noon).

Please include in your letter: -

1. What attracts you to this post.
2. Previous experience and skills that will help you to undertake this role.

Yours sincerely

Claire Copeland
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