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Dear Candidate

TRAFALGAR SCHOOL: TEACHER OF P.E-Temporary Maternity Cover

'Pupils thrive and feel safe in this highly inclusive school' (OFSTED June 2023)

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

As a relational 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 are oversubscribed in Key Stage 3 with a waiting list in every year group.

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.

We would like to appoint a committed, energetic and enthusiastic teacher of Physical Education with the ability to teach KS3 Maths, to join our very highly performing department. It offers BTEC Sport, GCSE PE and Health and Social Care and consistently achieves results in line with the top 5% of schools nationally.

We aim to create a climate of success and enjoyment, using target language as much as possible. We are committed to developing autonomous learners, with an enthusiasm to communicate and an awareness of other cultures. We provide a wide variety of differentiated resources with a strong IT focus within a flexible and supportive learning environment. We run a strong extra-curricular offer that we are keen to expand further.

It is expected that the successful candidate will have the drive to inspire students to achieve the best possible results and be good communicators, able to interact effectively and restoratively with a wide and diverse group of people. Applicants should demonstrate a well thought out philosophy of education which reflects the needs of all learners and to play a full part in the life of the school community, to support its distinctive mission and strong inclusive 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 Monday 16th October 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

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