



## JOB DESCRIPTION

**Job Description:** Head of Science **Reporting To:** Assistant Headteacher

### Job Purpose

To actively support our core purpose, remembering that “We are here to make great schools and happier, stronger communities so that people have better lives.”

To facilitate and encourage learning which enables students to engage in highly effective learning experiences to motivate them to learn, achieve and progress.

To provide leadership and curriculum development for Science, ensuring that the teaching and learning in the subject is of high quality and outcomes in Science improve across the school

To support the professional development of their colleagues

### Key Responsibilities: Specific

- Make strategic and operational decisions over the Science curriculum in all areas of the school, including additional intervention strategies where appropriate.
- Assist in the development of appropriate curriculum, resources, schemes of work, marking policies and teaching strategies in Science
- Provide professional leadership to subject teachers of Science for KS3 and KS4.
- Demonstrate a professional commitment to become the best teacher possible, utilising evidence-informed approaches of what works in our context.
- Demonstrate an appropriate level of understanding and skill to utilise the strategies and expectations exemplified in TEAL’s Teaching Charter, and to maintain the relevant Teachers’ Standards at an appropriate career stage.
- Adapt teaching to respond to the needs of all students, demonstrating an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of students and using effective teaching strategies that respond to individual needs.
- Support a safe, calm and well-ordered environment for all students and staff, focused on safeguarding pupils and actively contributing to their personal development.
- Hold and articulate clear values and moral purpose, focused on providing ambitious and inclusive education for all the students we serve.
- Make accurate and productive use of assessment and providing students with meaningful feedback in line with the relevant feedback framework.
- Actively support the implementation of the School Improvement Plan (and other relevant development priorities).
- Ensure the implementation of all TEAL and school policies.
- Engage effectively with parents, carers and members of the community to resolve complaints and develop constructive relationships that support the school in realising its aims and objectives.
- Demonstrate the key values and behaviours commensurate with this post that are identified overleaf.

### Key Responsibilities: General

- *The responsibilities outlined are a broad indication of the main duties and responsibilities of the post and employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.*
- *TEAL is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all employees and volunteers to share this commitment.*
- *TEAL/The school will endeavour to make any necessary reasonable adjustments to the job and the working environment to enable access to employment opportunities for disabled job applicants or continued employment for any employee who develops a disabling condition.*
- *The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act, 1974 and other associated legislation places responsibilities for Health and Safety on all employees. Therefore, it is the postholder’s responsibility to take reasonable care for Health and Safety and Welfare of him/herself and other employees in accordance with legislation.*
- *The above duties may involve having access to information of a confidential nature, which may be covered by GDPR, and by Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972. Confidentiality must be maintained at all times.*
- *The postholder must work and process personal and sensitive information in accordance with Data Protection Act 2018 including the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) 2018 and to ensure work is conducted in a way that protects the safety and security of information (e.g. strong passwords, reporting breaches, securing paper records, securely disposing of records)*



## Ethical Behaviours Charter

| Competency      | We do this by   |
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| <b>Trust</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Being reliable, consistent, credible, honest, humble, courageous and kind.</li> <li>• Managing emotions and helping others to do the same.</li> <li>• Keeping promises and doing what we say we will</li> <li>• Having genuine compassion for others</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Wisdom</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing knowledge and expertise, then sharing that knowledge</li> <li>• Learning from mistakes and failures and admitting when we are wrong</li> <li>• Seeing systems and processes as ways to fulfil our purpose, removing or changing them if they fail in that.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Kindness</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Being patient, respectful, generous and forgiving.</li> <li>• Acting with compassion and care, listening and seeing the person behind the role</li> <li>• Focusing on relational practice; building trust and rapport with others by empowering and elevating them.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Justice</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doing what is right, rather than what is popular or easy</li> <li>• Ensuring we live our sense of purpose and values in the way we behave, make decisions and communicate.</li> <li>• Applying rules in a consistent, transparent and fair way, whilst allowing for discretion and common sense.</li> <li>• Valuing difference, building diverse teams and encouraging others to behave responsibly and with moral purpose.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Service</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Putting ourselves in the service of others.</li> <li>• Reducing stress and anxiety in the organisation by modelling calm and considerate behaviour</li> <li>• Behaving in a dutiful way, demonstrating humility and self-control.</li> <li>• Removing barriers to enable others to do their jobs well</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Courage</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holding ourselves to account when something goes wrong.</li> <li>• Remaining calm, optimistic and positive in the face of adversity and change.</li> <li>• Speaking honestly, openly and with empathy</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Optimism</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Believing in our own ability, and the ability of others, to do what is right to change the world for the better.</li> <li>• Calling out negativity, cynicism and dishonesty.</li> <li>• Remaining positive and encouraging, helping others to overcome challenges and celebrating their success.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Vision</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticipating the future and embracing it. Thinking strategically, analysing and assessing information to deliver organisational growth.</li> <li>• Reading, researching, networking and sharing learning with others.</li> <li>• Believing in the potential of others; helping them be the best they can be.</li> </ul>  |