

# Application Pack

Teacher of Geography



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## Letter from the Headteacher

Dear Potential Colleague,

### **Teacher of Geography**

Thank you for expressing an interest in joining Westhoughton High School. Within this pack you will find information about the school, job vacancy and the application process. This is an exciting and unique opportunity to work in a forward thinking school and to make a contribution toward shaping its future and build on its successes.

It is an exciting time to join the Geography department at Westhoughton High School. The team comprises four members alongside teaching SLT links. Our Geographers are a friendly team who work together to ensure that our students achieve the best possible outcomes in a supportive and challenging environment with a mixture of human and physical geographers. The team set high standards for our learners, and pride themselves in preparing our students for the next step, with many continuing their studies in Geography at further education and beyond.

### **Key Stage 3**

All students study two hours of Geography per week. Fieldwork and inquiry is an important aspect of the course as students begin their expedition in Year 7, developing the knowledge and skills required to be successful geographers. In Year 8 students visit Castleton to explore the environments of Limestone caves and the impacts of mass tourism on a honeypot site. Please see our school website within the curriculum section for further details on our current Programmes of Study.

### **Key Stage 4**

The department currently follows the AQA syllabus at GCSE. Geography is a widely chosen EBacc option within our cohorts, often the most popular choice for students with a balanced cohort. Please see the curriculum section of our school website for more details on our current exam topics.

If you believe you can help us on our journey to becoming a good school, whilst inspiring a love of Geography amongst our students, then I look forward to receiving your application.

Thank you in advance for the interest you have shown.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N S Coe Headteacher



## Welcome to our school

Westhoughton High School is a successful and expanding 11-16, mixed community comprehensive school situated close to the centre of the growing town of Westhoughton, within Bolton Council's boundaries.

We are proud to be Westhoughton's only secondary school; we have strong links with all primary schools and provide many opportunities to work together, including cultural activities and specialist subject support. We believe strongly in serving our community by providing challenging educational opportunities and developing the next generation to be ambitious, successful and worthwhile citizens for our town and beyond. The student population is largely made up of young people from Westhoughton itself, but students also attend from the neighbouring communities of West Bolton, Blackrod, Bolton, Atherton and Hindley.

The school has undergone a transformation in recent years; we have made significant investment in our learning environment and considerably improved the facilities available to our students, so that all Westhoughton students can progress successfully to the next stage of their education. We are still on our journey to be the very best that we can be.

We are proud of our students, our staff and our community and are always keen to welcome visitors. So whether you think you know the school or whether you're just discovering us for the first time, you will see a school that is ambitious for its students, proud of its past and very confident about its future. The school was visited by a team of Ofsted Inspectors on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023, the outcomes for each category of the inspection matched with our self-evaluation. Safeguarding was highlighted as a particular strength of the school.

We are pleased to see that the report included recognition that most of our students enjoy coming to school, feel safe and engage well with the curriculum. Inspectors were impressed by the personal development of our young people and their contribution to the wider community. The expertise of the staff body, and their subject knowledge has also stood out.

There is much in the report that students, staff, governors and parents should be justifiably proud of. The report includes the following highlights:

### Ofsted said:

- Pupils work hard to support their local community.
- Leaders have ensured that pupils have a broad choice of subjects to study.
- Leaders provide pupils with appropriate support and guidance, so that they choose subjects that match their talents.
- Leaders have high expectations for pupils' achievement.
- The curriculums that underpin pupils' personal development have been carefully designed.
- Pupils involve themselves with extra-curricular clubs and enjoy the range of activities on offer.
- The school's safeguarding team offers effective support to help pupils to stay safe in school and to support their varied needs.

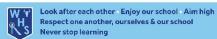


# Learning

We value academic achievement highly and are ambitious for all our learners to make good or better progress and achieve their full potential.

Students have access to the full national curriculum including opportunities to learn a new language, to develop their musical, creative and sporting talents and to develop their literacy and numeracy skills to a high level. Progress is carefully tracked and, in addition to Parents' Evenings, parents will receive a report at least twice in the academic year. Students are given the opportunity to test themselves against others both locally and nationally through a variety of subject focussed competitions. Every student is encouraged to develop and achieve according to their abilities, aptitudes and interests and our job is to challenge and support them.





Learning beyond the classroom is also very important to the development of the well-rounded individual, whether that be through the Duke of Edinburgh scheme, through representative sport, musical instrument tuition, enterprise activities or one of the many educational visits organised by our hard-working staff. These include visits to the theatre, to the Peak and Lake Districts to study the impact of tourism, to the Tate Gallery or further afield with residential trips to London, Prague, Belgium and France. We have a number of enrichment days during the year when the normal timetable is suspended and students engage in a range of different activities to develop their personal and social skills. At Westhoughton, we believe we are ALL learners and every opportunity should be taken to LEARN.

## Standards

As a school, we strive for the best outcomes for all our students, regardless of individual circumstances. To do this we require each and every lesson to be the highest quality with an appropriate impact on student progress. We have high expectations as to what the 'daily diet' of our students should be but have strong and robust systems in place to support us all in delivering our ambitions. To develop staff throughout their careers, we invest heavily in professional development focussing on teaching, learning and assessment to improve classroom impact and in addition, leadership development for both experienced and aspirant leaders. We are pleased that staff retention for both teaching and associate staff is strong, as we believe that this reflects the culture and ethos of the school.

Whilst we are proud of the progress that we have made in improving the GCSE outcomes and life chances of our students, we are clear where further improvements can be made to ensure that more students realise their full potential. Whilst performance measures change continually, we have retained a curriculum designed to meet student needs and not secure league table position. This remains one of our core values.

The school seeks verification of its high expectations and delivery whenever possible and as such, we are proud to hold a number of quality standards. Others are planned for the future but below are those secured to date:



















## Students

We are very proud of our reputation as a school that cares for each individual in the organisation and we do everything we can to ensure all our students are safe, happy and making good progress. The pastoral structure ensures our students meet with their form tutors each day so they have a familiar face to talk through any problems or ask for advice. We know our students well and do our very best to ensure they learn in a safe environment so that they will develop into self-reliant and resilient future citizens. When problems do occur, our students know they will be listened to and that we will work together in partnership to resolve them quickly and fairly.

The teenage years provide many challenges, for the young people themselves, for us as a school and for parents, and our experience tells us that working together to the same aim is the best way to resolve them.

We have a range of services available to support young people including:

- Non-teaching Student Support Leaders (SSLs) who look after pastoral needs
- Student Progress Leaders (SPLs) who track and ensure academic progress
- Independent Careers Advice and guidance
- School nurse drop-ins
- Nurture groups
- Peer mentoring
- Buddying system
- Homework support clubs
- Enrichment programmes
- Learning Support Centre with specialist staff





### Parents

We have high ambitions for our students and we are sure they are matched by parents' high aspirations for their children.

We fully acknowledge that students are more successful at school if they are supported by their parents, with parents and school working together in partnership. Just as we need every child to fully engage with the school and everything it has to offer, we expect parents to play an active role in their child's career at our school.

All parents sign a home-school agreement before their child starts at the school which clearly outlines the support they can expect from us and what we expect from our parent group. In addition, we run several parent focus groups where parents can discuss with staff issues such as reporting and assessment and can help drive change.

Every year group has a Parents' Evening to discuss progress with teachers and there are additional events at key stages in your child's education. At times parents may need our support and we may need theirs – and in any active partnership, people support each other. This is because we both have the best interests of every child at heart.



# Investing in Our Staff

Wellbeing is a central drive to many of our initiatives here at Westhoughton. You have an SLT that truly believe in developing and investing in our staff and the wellbeing of all who come through our doors. We have multiple activities that develop our staff wellbeing including a Wednesday wellbeing-focused briefing whereby we celebrate our staff, best practice and recognise staff who have supported other colleagues. We have staff activities such as a staff choir, reduced Leisure Centre membership and a secret buddy system of supportive comments and gifts that our staff sign up to. We believe in continually reviewing our systems and protocols to ensure that we reduce workload in as many aspects as we can.

Every Wednesday all students leave the school site at 2:30pm to allow us to deliver our personalised CPD programme which ties together our whole school priorities, personalised CPD opportunities and talent development programmes alongside our pastoral CPD programmes to ensure we build this into our school day and value the time together.

## Community

We are a successful community school and strongly believe our young people should develop a good appreciation of their heritage and pride in their town and country. We have strong links with local primary schools who are regular visitors to the school; we are supported in the curriculum by local people, including members of the Rotary Club and local businesses, our MP, support agencies and voluntary groups, and our students reciprocate through participation in competitions such as Youth Speaks. Our young people regularly go out into the community to support others, raising awareness or funds for charities or just doing good deeds during focussed charitable projects.

Parents and friends of the school actively support the many school events running in the year, from Parents' Evenings to Careers Conventions via music and drama productions. It is also important that our young people develop a sense of the wider community and they have opportunities to work alongside students from other Bolton schools, for example in joint visits to Oxford and Cambridge Universities. Our students also have opportunities to communicate with their peers further afield through visiting other countries. The world has become a much smaller place in the 21st century and developing their ideas about community, both local and global, will ensure our students are best placed to take advantage of the many opportunities available to them as they grow into adulthood.







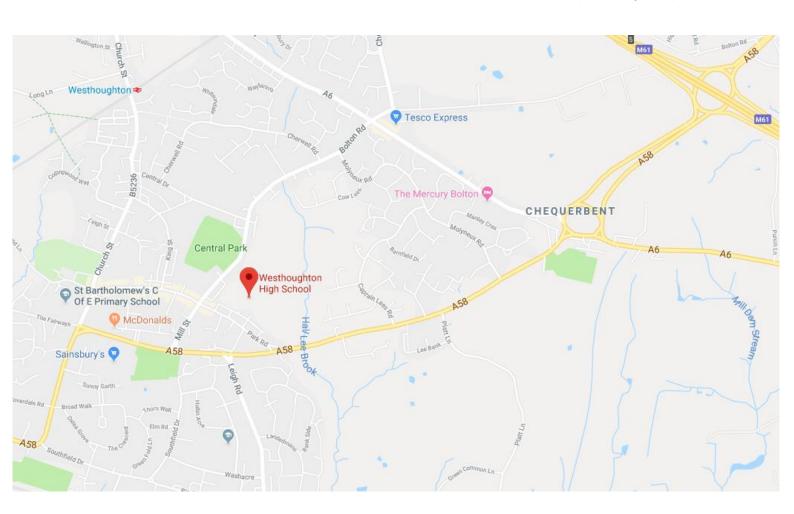


# Visit us by Car

Leave the M61 at Junction 5, and take the A58 Snydale Way. At the roundabout take the 4th exit and follow Manchester Road (the A6) until the first set of traffic lights. Then turn left onto Bolton Road. Follow the road for around half a mile and Westhoughton High School is situated on the left.

## Visit us via Public Transport

Our school is close to both Westhoughton and Daisy Hill train stations and bus services run regularly here from Bolton town centre. To find out more, please visit the Transport for Greater Manchester website to plan your journey.



### Contact us

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# Job Description

Title: Teaching

Salary Grade: T1-T9 (Starting salary negotiable)

### Job Purpose:

To carry out the professional duties of a teacher as circumstances may require and in accordance with the school's policies under the direction of the Headteacher.

### Support for the Student:

- To ensure that students are happy, engaged and making good progress, according to their age, interests, abilities and prior attainment
- To safeguard and promote the welfare of every child in the school
- To support the school in its commitment to the provision of equal opportunities for all students regardless of race, gender, disability or social background
- To support the school in establishing a positive learning environment and effective, cooperative working relationships between staff, students and parents
- To show passion and enthusiasm for learning and promote a high quality learning experience in lessons, independent learning and enrichment activities

### Core Requirements of the Post:

In fulfilling the requirements of the post, you will demonstrate essential professional characteristics and performance appropriate to your salary band, and in particular will:

- Improve the quality of students' learning so that they make expected or better progress resulting in good or better progress at GCSE outcomes
- Build team commitment with colleagues and engage and motivate students
- Ensure 'whole school' implementation (and the development) of school policies by ensuring that you apply them consistently and to expectations
- Fulfil and build upon the professional characteristics (attributes, knowledge and understanding, skills) as laid down in the Professional Standards for Teachers (Sept 2012) defining your career stage against the school's career progression appraisal guidance
- Use the Appraisal process to advance student learning and enhance professional practice in line with the school's aspirations and priorities

### Areas of Responsibility and Key Tasks:

Teaching, Learning and Classroom Management

You will effectively teach allocated students by planning to achieve expected progression of learning through:

- understanding and applying a range of effective teaching strategies
- understanding and applying effective classroom management strategies
- identifying, planning and communicating clear learning objectives and specifying how they will be taught and assessed
- setting varied tasks which challenge all students and ensure high levels of engagement
- setting clear targets that build on prior attainment ensuring that all student groups make good or better progress, with a particular focus on PPG students
- providing clear structures for lessons, maintaining pace, motivation and challenge
- ensuring thorough coverage of the relevant programmes of study
- maintaining discipline and rewards in accordance with the school's procedures and encouraging good practice with regard to attendance, punctuality, behaviour and standards of work
- ensuring students acquire and consolidate knowledge, skills and understanding appropriate to the subject taught



- evaluating your own teaching critically to improve effectiveness
- ensuring the effective and efficient deployment of classroom support to promote student progress
- positively identifying, targeting and supporting individual learning needs
- effectively using homework and other extra-curricular learning opportunities
- demonstrating appropriate consistent progress:
  - for all groups of students
  - across all teaching areas
  - across the spectrums of background, ability and behaviour
  - that compares favourably with students in similar settings

### Monitoring, Assessment, Recording and Reporting

- by constantly and consistently using 'assessment to support learning' to inform planning, guide teaching and support effective learning and teaching
- by adhering to agreed data collection procedures (and timelines), provide assessment and performance data, which enables the evaluation of students' progress and set appropriate targets for improvement
- by adhering to agreed reporting policy (and timelines), provide accurate and informative reports on student progress to all stakeholders
- by adhering to the agreed marking policy of the school to promote student progress

### **Student Support Duties**

Most teaching staff will be expected to act as a form tutor assigned to a group of students, effectively executing the agreed responsibilities which accompany this role, which include:

- working with the assigned Student Support Leader and Student Progress Leader, promote the academic progress and well-being of individual students and of the Tutor Group as a whole
- engaging in agreed student reporting procedures to support students and colleagues in ensuring compliance with agreed school standards
- liaising with Student Support Staff to ensure the effective implementation of the school's support systems
- registering students, accompany them to assemblies, encouraging their full attendance at all lessons and their participation in the wider aspects of school life
- alerting appropriate staff to problems experienced by students and making recommendations as to how these may be resolved
- communicating, as appropriate, with parents of students and persons or bodies outside the school concerned with the welfare of individual students, after consultation with appropriate staff
- contribute/deliver CEIAG activities according to school policy

### Other Professional Requirements

- have a working knowledge of teachers' professional duties and legal liabilities
- operate at all times within the stated policies, practices and standards of the school
- maintain an up-to-date knowledge of good practice in subject (or specialism) teaching pedagogy
- take account of wider curriculum developments, including changes to national strategies
- contribute positively and effectively to the Every Child Achieves Agenda
- undertake Continual Professional Development to enhance teaching and students' learning
- co-operate with other staff to ensure the sharing and effective use of resources to the benefit of the school, department and students
- contribute to the corporate life of the school through effective participation in meetings and management systems
- take part in marketing and liaison activities such as Open Evenings, Parents' Evenings, Review Days, Enrichment Days and events with partner schools
- take responsibility for your own professional development and duties in relation to school policies and practices
- liaise effectively with parents, Governors and other stakeholders where appropriate
- you will carry out any other reasonable duties designated by the Headteacher



• This job description will be reviewed annually and may be amended at any time following consultation with the Headteacher.

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, you will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a line manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description. Depending on the needs of the school, these may be altered from time to time in accordance with the conditions set out in the currently operating School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document and relevant Governors' Policy Documents.

This post is subject to the current conditions of employment contained in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document, the 1998 School Standards and Framework Act, the required standards for Qualified Teacher Status and Class Teachers and other current legislation.

The school is committed to safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and it expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Bolton Council has a statutory duty under the Civil Contingencies Act to respond in the event of an emergency. If Bolton Council's Emergency Management Plan is activated, you could be required to assist, or assist others, in the continued maintenance and delivery of key council services and of support to the community. This could require working outside of routine working hours and could entail working from a place other than your normal place of work.

NB emergencies requiring activation of Bolton Council's Emergency Management Plan only occur very infrequently. If you are asked to respond to an emergency, your personal circumstances at the time will be taken into account.

The post holder may reasonably be expected to undertake other duties commensurate with the level of responsibility that may be allocated from time to time.

**Date Job Description prepared/updated:** Neil Coe **Job Description prepared by** January 2024







# Person Specification

The Governing Body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check will be carried out for the successful candidate.

An effective and impactful teacher will be able to demonstrate the following knowledge, skills and attributes.

### **Qualifications, Experience and Knowledge**

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
A good first Degree	Related further	<ul> <li>Application Form</li> </ul>
Qualified Teacher Status	professional	
A commitment to own continuous professional	qualifications	<ul> <li>Original Certificates</li> </ul>
development	Evidence of	
Successful practice in accordance with specified	continuing	<ul> <li>References</li> </ul>
teaching standards 2012 (including training practice)	development of skills	
within the 11-16 age range	as a potential Leader	<ul> <li>Selection activities</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Understanding of child safe-guarding issues and</li> </ul>		
successful measures that promote and ensure the		
safe-guarding of children		
Knowledge of current legislation, guidance and		
developments relating to subject area		

### Sets high expectations and inspires, motivates and challenges all students by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Establishing and sustaining a safe and stimulating environment, rooted in mutual respect	Evidence of working in a fully inclusive	Application Form
<ul> <li>Setting targets and goals that stretch and challenges students of all backgrounds abilities and dispositions</li> </ul>	school	Selection activities
<ul> <li>Demonstrating consistently, the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of students</li> <li>An ability to form positive relationships and be able</li> </ul>		References
to communicate effectively with people at all levels		

### Demonstrates good subject and curriculum knowledge by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
<ul> <li>Having secure knowledge of the relevant subject(s)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Application Form</li> </ul>
and curriculum areas		
<ul> <li>Fostering and maintaining student interest in the</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Selection activities</li> </ul>
subject and addressing misunderstandings		
Demonstrating a critical understanding of		<ul> <li>References</li> </ul>
developments in the subject(s) and curriculum areas		
and promoting the value of scholarship		
Demonstrating an understanding of and taking		
responsibility for promoting high standards of		
literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard		
English, whatever the teacher's subject specialism		
Teaching in an informative and engaging manner		





### Promotes good student progress and outcomes by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Having sound understanding of current issues relating to teaching, learning and assessment	Impactful innovative project work or	Application Form
High level teaching skills which are impactful on student progress at all levels	teaching activities	Selection activities
<ul> <li>Engaging in professional development in teaching, learning and assessment which has had a measurable impact on own practice</li> <li>Demonstrating knowledge and understanding of how students learn and how this impacts on teaching</li> <li>Employing effective strategies to raise levels of achievement for all groups of students</li> <li>Being aware of student capabilities and potential, their prior knowledge and planning learning to build on these</li> </ul>		• References
Guiding students to reflect on the progress they have made and to own their emerging needs		
Encouraging students to take responsibility and conscientious attitude to their own work and study		
Being accountable for student's attainment, progress and outcomes		

### Plan and teach well-structured and impactful lessons by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Understanding of what good or better learning looks like in the classroom		Application Form
<ul> <li>The delivery of lessons which impart knowledge and develop understanding through effective use of</li> </ul>		Selection activities
curriculum time		References
<ul> <li>Promoting a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Planning and setting homework and other activities which consolidate and extend the knowledge and</li> </ul>		
<ul><li>understanding students have acquired</li><li>Being a reflective teacher to improve practice</li></ul>		
Contributing to the design and provision of an		
<ul><li>engaging curriculum within the relevant subject(s)</li><li>Taking responsibility for improving teaching through</li></ul>		
appropriate professional development, responding appropriately to advice and feedback from		
colleagues		



### Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all students by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Having a secure understanding of how a range of		<ul> <li>Selection activities</li> </ul>
factors can inhibit students' ability to learn, and how		
best to overcome them		<ul> <li>References</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Knowing when and how to differentiate</li> </ul>		
appropriately, using approaches which enable		
students to be taught effectively		
<ul> <li>Having a clear understanding of the needs of all</li> </ul>		
students taught, including those with SEND; those of		
high ability, boys, those with EAL; those with		
disabilities; and to be able to evaluate distinctive		
teaching approaches to engage and support them		

### Make accurate and productive use of assessment by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
<ul> <li>Knowing and understanding how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessments requirements</li> <li>Making use of formative and summative assessment to secure student progress</li> <li>Using relevant data to monitor progress, set targets and plan subsequent lessons</li> <li>Providing students with regular and informative feedback, both orally and through accurate marking and encouraging students to respond positively to that feedback</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>External marking experience</li> <li>Wider assessment experience</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Application Form</li><li>Selection activities</li><li>References</li></ul>

### Manage behaviour effectively to ensure good and safe learning environment by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Having a commitment to consistently engage with the agreed processes and protocols within the school		Selection activities
to establish appropriate routines and expectations within the classroom to ensure impactful Behaviour for Learning		• References
Taking responsibility for promoting good and courteous behaviour at all times around the school and wider community in accordance with school policy		
<ul> <li>Maintaining good relationships with students, exercising appropriate authority, and acting decisively when necessary</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Knowing and understanding any specific health and safety requirements for subject area(s) or other activities undertaken</li> </ul>		



### Fulfil wider professional responsibilities by:

Essential	Desirable	Evidence
<ul> <li>An ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with staff, parents, young people and other stakeholders</li> <li>Having a solution focused approach to all situations</li> <li>Demonstrating high level personal organisation and management skills</li> <li>Demonstrating an ability to work under pressure and to tight deadlines</li> <li>Maintaining a positive attitude and professional approach to learning</li> <li>Maintaining an appropriate perspective, a sense of humour and a passion for teaching</li> <li>Demonstrating an enthusiasm for working in an inclusive comprehensive school environment</li> <li>An ability to be an effective team member, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support</li> <li>Understanding emotional intelligence and motivational skills for teaching, mentoring and coaching</li> <li>Deploying specialist support staff effectively within the classroom</li> <li>Communicating effectively with parents with regards to student achievements and wellbeing</li> <li>Having a commitment to equal opportunities, involving parents, governors and the local community where appropriate</li> </ul>	Demonstrating an aspiration to progress own career     Committing to organising and delivering wider learning opportunities for students to engage positively outside of the classroom	<ul> <li>Application Form</li> <li>Selection activities</li> <li>References</li> </ul>





### **Core Competencies**

These core competencies are considered essential for all roles within this school. Please be prepared to be assessed on any of these during the interview process and, for the successful applicant, throughout the probationary period.

### **Developing Self and Others**

Promote a learning environment to embed a learning culture. Support others to develop their skills and knowledge to fulfil their potential. Actively pursue your own development.

### **Civil Contingencies**

Bolton Council has a statutory duty under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 to respond in the event of an emergency. If the Emergency Management Plan is activated, you may be required to assist in maintaining key council services and supporting the community. This could require working outside of routine working hours and working from places other than your normal place of work.

### **Equality and Diversity**

Uphold the principles of fairness and the Equality Act 2010 in all undertakings as an employee of the school, including providing a fair, accessible service irrespective of customer's race, religion, gender, sexuality, disability or age.

#### **Customer Care**

The ability to fully understand, assess and resolve the needs of all customers including those who present with complex situations, in a manner that respects dignity and expresses a caring and professional image.

### **Health and Safety**

Take responsibility for the health and safety of yourself and others who may be affected by your acts or omissions, and comply with all health and safety legislation, policy and safe working practice, including participating in training activities necessary to your post.

### **Data Protection and Confidentiality**

Ensure that any personal data or confidential data you hold is kept securely and is not disclosed, whether electronically, verbally or in writing, to any unauthorised third party. Follow school policies and procedures on dealing with personal information and information assets, including the Code of Conduct, Information Management, and ICT Acceptable Use. Personal or confidential data should only be accessed or used for school purposes.

### **Fluency Duty**

Should you be required, as a regular and intrinsic part of your role, to speak to members of the public in English, you must be able to converse at ease with customers and provide advice in accurate spoken English, as required by the Immigration Act 2016.

### **Working Hours**

The nature and demands of the role are not always predictable and there will be an expectation that work will be required outside of normal hours from time to time.

### Safeguarding

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Should the role involve working with the above groups, you will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barred List check by the Disclosure and Barring Service.



# **Application Process**

Please download, complete and return the application form by the closing date specified. Candidates are asked to complete all the relevant sections of the application form and to submit a supporting statement, addressing the criteria listed on the person specification. This should be no longer than 2 sides of A4 paper. You may include examples from previous paid, unpaid or voluntary experience.

Please ensure that you provide an up to date email address with your application as we often contact candidates electronically rather than by post. The completed application form should be emailed: WHSOffice@westhoughton-high.org or posted to:

Miss A Hodson, PA to the Headteacher, Westhoughton High School, Bolton Road, Westhoughton, Bolton BL5 3DN

For further details, please contact the school office on 01942 814122 or for additional information about the school please visit the website www.westhoughton-high.org. This job description will be reviewed annually and may be amended at any time following consultation with the Headteacher.

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This post is subject to the current conditions of employment contained in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document, the 1998 School Standards and Framework Act, the required

# Background Checks and Safeguarding Students

Westhoughton High School is committed to safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check, medical clearance, satisfactory references, qualification checks and eligibility to work checks under the Asylum and Immigration Act.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and it expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Thank you for considering Westhoughton High School and we look forward to receiving your application.



