VALLEY PARK SCHOOL

PERSON SPECIFICATION Head of Department - Business

AREA	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications	 A good honours degree in Business or a related subject Qualified Teacher Status 	 Evidence of further study in Business or a related subject
Experience	 Experience of teaching Business in a secondary school setting to GCSE and A level 	 Experience of teaching Business in an outstanding school setting to A level Leadership experience in a secondary school setting
Knowledge	 A good up to date working knowledge and understanding of a range of pedagogical and behaviour management strategies. An understanding of the Business curricula and assessment arrangements. An understanding of the range of approaches that can be used for assessment. An understanding of how RSE, personal development, literacy, numeracy and ICT can be used to support teaching. An understanding of how to personalise provision to meet the learning needs of the full range of students. An awareness of current legal requirements regarding the safeguarding of children. 	
Skills	 Be able to plan and teach challenging and well organised lessons. Be able to use a range of teaching strategies and resources. Be able to provide opportunities for students to develop RSE, personal development, literacy, numeracy and ICT skills. An ability to provide constructive feedback to students on how to improve their attainment. The ability to implement a clear framework for classroom discipline. The desire to work as a team member. 	 Experience of leading a team or Key Stage. Experience of mentoring colleagues.
Attributes	 High expectations of students and a commitment to ensure they can achieve their full potential. Positive values and attributes and high standards of professional behaviour. 	

 Up to date knowledge and understanding of the professional duties of teachers. The ability to communicate effectively with children, young people colleagues, parents and carers. 	
 A commitment to improving practice through appropriate professional development. The desire to act upon advice and feedback and be open to coaching and mentoring. 	

In addition to candidates' ability to perform the duties of the post, the interview will also explore issues relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children including:

- motivation to work with children and young people;
- ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people;
- emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours;
- attitudes to use of authority and maintaining discipline.