

Hartsdown Academy





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## **Appointment Details**

## Job Title:

**Business and IT Teacher** 

## Reporting to:

Head of Technology

## **Employment Status:**

Full Time/Part Time Permanent

#### Job Location:

Hartsdown Margate

### Closing Date:

16th May 2025

Early applications are encouraged as we may close the advert early due to high demand.

#### Interviews:

22nd May 2025

#### Start Date:

September 2025

## **The Department**

Hartsdown Academy is seeking a passionate and motivated IT and Business Teacher to help shape the future of a developing department. This is an exciting opportunity for an ECT or experienced teacher who is eager to make a difference and play a key role in building a forward-thinking and impactful curriculum.

Currently a small department, we are at the beginning of an exciting journey to raise the profile and outcomes of IT and Business across the school. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to work closely with the subject lead to design and develop the curriculum, create engaging resources, and establish a strong vision for the future of the subject.

At Key Stage 3, students follow the Middle Years Programme (MYP) for Design which encourages students to become critical and creative thinkers, problem-solvers, and responsible digital citizens. Students explore global contexts and real-world challenges, developing their understanding of how technology and enterprise can be used to make a positive impact in the world. It's an ideal foundation for deeper learning in IT and Business.

At Key Stage 4, we offer the BTEC Tech Award in Enterprise and the BTEC Tech Award in Digital Information Technology. These vocational courses provide practical experience and prepare students for further study or future employment in digital and business sectors.

At Key Stage 5, students can choose IB Business Management as part of our IBCP (International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme) in sixth form. This course is growing in popularity, reflecting our students' increasing interest in global business and enterprise.

We are committed to ensuring that IT and Business education is meaningful, relevant, and ambitious. This is a fantastic opportunity for someone who is excited by the challenge of being a key part of developing a growing department and making a lasting impact on student outcomes.



#### The Role

We are looking for a highly motivated and inspirational Teacher of IT and Business who is excited by the opportunity to help shape a growing department. If this sounds like you, we offer excellent training, support, and opportunities for development.

The successful candidate will have a passion for both digital learning and enterprise, and will be a creative and proactive teacher, who brings a professional attitude, adaptability, and a desire to make a lasting impact on a growing subject area. They will be eager to contribute to the development of a forward-thinking curriculum and bring creativity, professionalism, and a positive attitude to the role. This is a fantastic opportunity for someone who wants to make a real impact and be part of a school that values innovation and student-centred learning.

#### The Package

Anything up to full time, Teachers Main Pay Scale Teacher Pension Scheme

#### **Benefits**

- An exciting environment where you can really make a difference
- Being part of a small local trust that is totally committed to its staff and children
- Significant opportunities for CPD and development within the school and trust
- Leadership training and pathways exist within the trust

## **Job Description**

At Hartsdown we are on a mission to provide an 'Education for an amazing life'. Every day, we embody our STRIVE values - Scholarship, Teamwork, Resilience, Integrity, Vision, and Excellence - we use these values to guide us. We ensure that, no matter what, we help our students to pursue their ambitions.

#### All staff will:

- play a full part in the life of the school community, support its vision, ethos and policies and encourage staff and students to follow this example
- fulfil responsibilities with regards to safeguarding (including reporting concerns to the designated safeguarding lead)
- model Hartsdown values to parents and students
- be positive, dynamic and challenging in all aspects of work
- foster the school's inclusive ethos nurturing everyone regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion or ability
- share direct accountability for the establishment of Hartsdown as an outstanding school
- take responsibility for their own learning and development
- develop the skills and talents of other members of the community
- ensure their own well-being and that of others by establishing an appropriate balance between life and work
- play an active part in the life of the school and its community
- develop social cohesion and positive links with the whole of our local community
- adhere to the school community's standards, policies, systems and procedures in relation to students, health and safety, personnel and financial management



- agree annual performance targets, with a view to own continuous improvement
- undertake any other duties that may reasonably be required by the Headteacher

## **Specific Responsibilities**

#### a) Curriculum Organisation and Delivery

- To plan and deliver outstanding lessons that engage and excite children and ensure that all students make good and better progress
- To develop and review, along with appropriate colleagues, syllabuses and schemes of work designed to meet the needs of all students and establish the school's ethos and values.
- To monitor the progress of all students taught, ensuring high standards of work with reports to Subject Leaders/line manager when agreed
- To ensure effective liaison with student services, inclusion for students with special educational needs and external agencies as required.
- To follow the school policies on setting home learning

### b) Assessment and Monitoring

- To follow the agreed whole school policy on assessment and monitoring
- To communicate with parents about students' progress through reports, parents' evenings etc.
- To follow the guidelines on rewarding achievement
- To participate in public and internal examination and assessment arrangements

## c) Staff Development

- To participate in appropriate arrangements for in service training and contemporary professional development
- To participate in arrangements made for appraisal including observations and lesson 'drop ins'
- To participate in meetings regarding performance

## d) Management

- To implement agreed whole school and subject policies
- To take part in scheduled meetings with colleagues and parents in accordance with the school's programme
- To keep records through the schools management systems of attendance at every lesson, together with class and home learning set
- To maintain good order and behaviour in the classroom
- To be responsible for maintaining teaching rooms in a clean and tidy state and facilitating the display of students' work
- To be responsible for the best use of resources, including ICT
- To be aware of and adhere to all school Health and Safety procedures
- To share in supervisory duties in accordance with the school's published rotas
- To share in cover for absent colleagues
- To keep up to date with all school information e.g. annual calendar, intranet, staff briefing etc



#### e) Tutor

- To share in the corporate responsibility for the development, education and wellbeing of students in accord with the school's policies
- To carry out the role of a tutor, including pastoral support, communicating with parents, and identifying and addressing, with colleagues, issues that are likely to result in underachievement.

#### f) Other Specific Duties

- To develop and run an after school club
- To work to ensure that attendance is high
- To monitor attendance and take action with the Head of Year and other colleagues where attendance falls
- To enable the tutor group to celebrate life events such as birthdays
- To continue personal professional development as agreed.
- To engage actively in the appraisal process.
- To comply with the school's Health and Safety policy and undertake risk assessments as appropriate.
- To undertake any other duty as specified by the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document not mentioned in the above.

Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level. The duties contained in this JD will change over time and the job-holder will be expected to cooperate where such changes are reasonable



## **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 DBS check will be carried out for the successful candidate.

Qualifications and Training	Essential	Desirable
QTS or Equivalent	•	
Relevant Degree	•	
2:I or better		•
Postgraduate Degree		•
Commitment to continuing professional development activities		•
Professional Attributes		
A commitment to "go the extra mile" to ensure the best outcomes for every child	•	
Have high expectations of young people including a commitment to ensuring that they achieve their full educational potential	•	
Hold positive values and attitudes and adopt high standards of behaviour in their professional role	•	
Excellent communication skills (verbal and written)	•	
Commitment to professional development and collaborative working	•	
Professional Knowledge and Understanding		
Have a good, up-to-date working knowledge and understanding of a range of teaching, learning and behaviour management strategies and know how to use and adapt them, including how to personalise learning to provide opportunities for all learners to achieve their potential	•	
Have the knowledge and skills to teach a second subject	•	
Know the assessment requirements and arrangements for the subjects/curriculum areas they teach, including those relating to public examinations and qualifications	•	
Know how to use skills in literacy, numeracy and ICT to support their teaching and wider professional activities	•	
Know the current legal requirements, national policies and guidance on the safeguarding and promotion of the well-being of children and young people	•	
Have an extensive knowledge and understanding of how to use and adapt a range of teaching, learning and behaviour management strategies, including how to personalise learning to provide opportunities for all learners to achieve their potential		•



## **Person Specification Continued**

Professional Skills		
Plan for progression across the secondary age and ability range, designing effective learning sequences within lessons and across series of lessons informed by secure subject and curriculum knowledge	•	
Design opportunities for learners to develop their literacy, numeracy, ICT and thinking and learning skills appropriate within the secondary phase and context	•	
Plan, set and assess homework, other out-of-class assignments and coursework for examinations, where appropriate, to sustain learners' progress and to extend and consolidate their learning	•	
Teach challenging, well organised lessons and sequences of lessons across the secondary age and ability range	•	
Use an appropriate range of teaching strategies and resources, including e-learning, which meet learners' needs and take practical account of diversity and promote equality and inclusion	•	
Use assessment as part of the teaching to diagnose learners' needs, set realistic and challenging targets for improvement and plan future teaching	•	
Manage learners' behaviour constructively by establishing and maintaining a clear and positive framework for discipline, in line with the school's behaviour policy	•	
Be flexible, creative and adept at designing learning sequences within lessons and across lessons that are effective and consistently well-matched to learning objectives and the needs of learners and which integrate recent developments, including those relating to subject/curriculum knowledge		•
Contribute to the professional development of colleagues through coaching and mentoring, demonstrating effective practice, and providing advice and feedback		•









Hartsdown Academy, alongside Dane Court Grammar School, King Ethelbert School, The Royal Harbour Academy, Newington Primary School and Cliftonville Primary School, is a proud member of the Coastal Academies Trust, a local trust that is proud to serve the citizens of Thanet through the education of their children.

All schools within the Coastal Academies Trust work in close collaboration with each other to ensure that every child in Thanet receives an excellent education that is the foundation of an amazing future and to dedicate ourselves to the service of our local community of Thanet.





