



PERSON SPECIFICATION

Headteacher at Risedale School

The Selection Panel will be looking for evidence that the candidate has demonstrated their ability to fulfil the following criteria within the National Standards for Headteachers.

QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING	Essential on appointment	Desirable on appointment (if not attained, development may be provided for successful candidate)
Qualified Teacher status	x	
Further professional/academic study e.g. MA		X
Evidence of gaining or working towards NPQH or NPQEL qualification or equivalent		x
Evidence of continuous professional development used to develop self and others including recent leadership training and development	x	
SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE	Essential on appointment	Desirable on appointment
A detailed understanding of current legislation relating to schools and of national and local education priorities	x	
Up-to-date knowledge of school improvement planning, evaluation, and quality assurance processes	x	
Knowledge of the statutory documentation and legislation applicable to the leadership and management of schools including child protection, the SEND Code of Practice, inclusion and health and safety	x	
An excellent understanding of outstanding curriculum design and implementation	x	
Knowledge of a range of effective communication strategies including for developing and maintaining high standards of attainment, behaviour, and attendance	x	
Up-to-date knowledge of research relating to education and of current and emerging Ofsted policy and practice	x	
EXPERIENCE	Essential on appointment	Desirable on appointment
Experience across the appropriate age range	x	
Significant and successful experience of school leadership and performance management of staff		
Experience of using data, and other contextual information insightfully to meet challenging targets	x	
Experience with whole-school organisational management, ensuring systems, processes and policies are effectively developed and implemented	x	
Evidence of communicating and working effectively with governors and other key stakeholders	x	
Experience of implementing professional development strategies for staff to ensure quality provision and outcomes for pupils	x	
Experience of an Ofsted inspection at a leadership level		x





The Selection Panel will require evidence that you work within the National Standards for Headteachers. In addition, there will be a particular focus on the following key competencies;

Key Competencies	Essential on appointment	Desirable on appointment
Passionate commitment to education	x	
Clarity of vision	x	
Strategic thinking	x	
Building networks	x	
Adhering to principles and values	x	
Partnership working	x	

SAFEGUARDING These criteria will be tested at interview. Please note this post is also subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS disclosure	Essential on appointment
Demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding and the welfare of children and young people	x
Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries	x
Emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours	x
Appropriate use of authority and discipline	x