

PERSON SPECIFICATION

JOB TITLE	Teacher of Biology
DEPARTMENT/SECTION	Biology/Science

CRITERIA	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
QUALIFICATIONS:		
 An excellent degree in Biology (or cognate subject) from a recognised university. PGCE or recognised teaching qualification 	V	\checkmark
EXPERIENCE:		
 Experience in teaching Biology across the age range and more general science to Key Stage Three. Experience of teaching Biology at A-Level (Forest teaches the 	V	\checkmark
 OCR course) Experience of teaching Biology at GCSE (Forest teaches the Pearson IGCSE course) 	\checkmark	
 Experience of preparing students to access Biology (and cognate) courses at elite universities including Oxbridge. Proven record of developing schemes of work and of raising attainment 		
 Ability to effectively plan for, teach and assess pupil progress in Biology. 		
KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS:		
 A strong interest in, and knowledge of the latest pedagogy An awareness of current trends and challenges in teaching 	N N	
BiologyStrong organisation skills	\checkmark	
 Ability to use a range of teaching strategies to enthuse the full range of abilities 	\checkmark	
• Ability to communicate with pupils in a lively and enthusiastic manner	\checkmark	
Excellent classroom practitioner		
Good time management and organisation skillsExcellent communication skills	N N	
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APTITUDES:		
• Commitment to improve teaching and learning, and continued professional development	\checkmark	
• Ability to work well as part of a team, and to build trust and openness	\checkmark	
• Discretion, courtesy, honesty and integrity	\checkmark	
Reliable, punctual, diligent and well-organised	\checkmark	
• Open-minded and forward thinking approach to the positive use of technology in education.	\checkmark	
• Passion, Enthusiasm, and ability to motivate and inspire	\checkmark	
studentsCommitment to safeguarding and the welfare of students	\checkmark	
• Willingness to be involved in the wider life of the school	\checkmark	