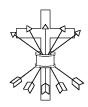
WADDESDON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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SUBJECT LEADER OF English

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Fostering a love of literature and language enables young people to flourish and to live life to the full.

We are inviting applications for the post of Subject Leader of English at Waddesdon School. This is an exciting opportunity to lead a team of dedicated and creative specialists who share a desire for our young people to develop and grow through their study and enjoyment of English. The post will be of interest to aspiring or existing Subject Leaders who wish to develop professionally and personally in a supportive and happy environment.

Relationships between students and staff are excellent. The most recent SIAMS inspection (March 2018) celebrated this in the following way:

"Relationships are shaped by the focus on the twin values of dignity and respect. There is a palpable sense of Waddesdon being a safe and secure place to be, of a community built on good humour, mutual support and love of self and neighbour; this is seen in lessons and around the school."

The school is equally strong in terms of results, with a Progress 8 score of 0.78 (Well Above Average), with 81% achieving grade 4 and above in English and Maths in 2019. Progress 8 for English was 0.5. The ALPS Progress measure places Waddesdon in the top 25% of schools nationally for A Level over the past three years.

There is a very healthy uptake of English Literature A Level and a strong tradition of celebrating Speaking and Listening at the school. Students are encouraged to read for pleasure and use our vibrant, modern library at the heart of the school.

As part of an Outstanding school, the new Subject Leader will enjoy the freedom to develop the vision and direction of the department, with the strong support of an experienced department and Leadership Team.

Waddesdon School is an oversubscribed all ability 11–18 school, set in rural Buckinghamshire. The school is 30 minutes away from Oxford and also within easy

commuting distance from Milton Keynes. There are just under 1000 students on roll, including 250 in the Sixth Form. The school has an excellent reputation for CPD and recognises and values the contributions of all staff. There are realistic expectations regarding balancing family and leisure time and workload. Governors have recently changed the Admissions Policy to include children of staff members.

Please see the attached description of the department, the full SIAMS report, and our termly newsletter, *The Waddesdon Voice*. Testimonials from our staff about the culture and ethos of our school can be found on our website http://waddesdonschool.com/working-at-waddesdon

If you would like to arrange a visit or a phone conversation, please contact office@waddesdonschool.com

Please return all applications to office@waddesdonschool.com

Closing date for applications: Wednesday 18th December (12pm)

Waddesdon School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to undertake an enhanced check by the Disclosure and Barring Service.