

Teacher of Geography

Salary / grade range	MPS
Contract	Permanent
Location	Co-op Academy Florence MacWilliams
Reports to	SLT

Purpose of role:

Working as part of the founding team at a highly ambitious startup school in Stoke-on-Trent. You will be instrumental in our mission to provide every student a great education and real choices in life, regardless of their background. As a passionate practitioner, you will deliver high-quality outstanding teaching and learning, supporting students to achieve excellent results through meticulously planned lessons that inspire a love of learning that extends beyond the classroom. Additionally you will be a positive role-model, upholding the academy vision and impacting the academy more widely.

As the academy is a new school the successful candidate will be expected to carry out the full range of duties based around Florence's PACE principles:

Pride: Instilling values, PACE Curriculum & character programme.

Ambition: Effectively using assessment & data. Leading on teaching a rigorous academic, enrichment & careers curriculum.

Care: Strong discipline, pastoral care systems and safeguarding.

Excellence: Excellent teaching, collaborative planning and quality training.

Key accountabilities (and specific duties / responsibilities):

- Live Co-op Florence MacWilliams' vision & values in all academy provisions.
- Instil a culture of high expectations across academy life.
- Safeguard all students, ensuring the safety and well-being of both students and staff.
- Build effective external relationships, fostering connections with parents and the community.

Key Responsibilities

- Plan, resource and deliver lessons to the highest standard so that pupils make exceptional progress.
- Provide a nurturing environment that helps students to develop as learners.
- Contribute to establishing and maintaining discipline across the whole academy.
- Contribute to the wider development of each child, supporting our mission that every student leaves Co-op Academy Florence MacWilliams with real options, be it to embark on their chosen career or to go onto a course of their choice at university.

Teaching

- Set high expectations so that all students are inspired, motivated and challenged to reach their

full potential.

- Create a positive climate for learning, by explicitly teaching lesson routines and applying behaviour systems consistently and fairly.
- Plan and teach well-structured, differentiated lessons which allow adequate time to embed new knowledge, understanding and skills.
- Nurture every student's intellectual curiosity, asking pertinent questions to deepen students' understanding.
- Systematically check students' understanding and act to correct any misconceptions.
- Provide students with individual feedback aimed at moving his or her learning forward, developing a growth mindset in each student.
- Ensure that all students achieve at least at chronological age level or, if well below level, make significant and continuing progress towards achieving at chronological age level

Curriculum and Assessment

- Participate in and contribute to effective collaborative planning for every year group, feeding your experience into improvements in the curriculum
- Contribute to the planning of assessments and subject specific revision, including preparing pupils for national examinations
- Review and reflect on each assessment, making intelligent use of data to identify underperformance, and plan appropriate support to address this
- Predict student outcomes as required
- Lead enrichment and participate in trips and visits to enhance the learning experience of all students

Culture and ethos

- Contribute to the academy's behaviour management, implementing academy systems consistently and in a kind and respectful manner.
- Develop strong partnerships and ensure regular communication with parents.
- Be active in issues of student welfare and support.
- Complete duties around the academy, modelling best practice for all staff.

Development of the Co-op network

- Value and support practices driving continued progress across the Co-op network of schools
- Participate actively throughout the network, by attending relevant meetings and network-wide training and assessment standardisation

Other

- Undertake, and when required, deliver or be part of the appraisal system and relevant training and professional development
- Undertake other various responsibilities as directed by the Head of department or SLT

Person Specification

Personal attributes required (based on job description):		
Attributes	All attributes are essential, unless indicated below as 'desirable'	How measured, e.g. application form (A), interview (I)
<p>Qualifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QTS • Strong A Levels or equivalent. • Degree in main subject taught or degree in a closely related subject 		<p>A A A</p>
<p>Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mastery of and enthusiasm for subject discipline • Knowledge of the national secondary education system, examinations and curriculum • Excellent understanding of both subject and general teaching pedagogy • Experience of reflecting on and improving teaching practice to increase pupil achievement • Experience of interpreting pupil data to drive lesson planning and pupil progress • Experience of raising attainment in a challenging environment • Experience of leading successful enrichment which inspire and motivate learners • Effective and systematic behaviour management 		<p>A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I</p>
<p>Skills, Ability, Knowledge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong interpersonal, written, and oral communication skills. • Clear understanding of strategies for high standards. • Excellent organisational skills • Confident use of data to inform and diagnose weaknesses and inform next steps. • Ability to diagnose and implement effective strategies to raise learning standards. 		<p>A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to develop and maintain highly effective working relationships with parents and the wider community. • Comfortable working collaboratively with stakeholders in the CAT network. 		<p>A/I</p> <p>A/I</p>
<p>Personal Qualities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genuine passion for and a belief in the potential of every pupil • Vision aligned with Co-op Florence MacWilliams high aspirations and high expectations of self and others • Effective team worker and leader • Excellent interpersonal, planning and organisational skills • Motivation to continually improve standards and achieve excellence • Reflective practitioner, open to feedback and training to establish outstanding classroom practice • Acts as a role model to staff and pupils • Be aligned with all co-operative values and the Co-op Ways of Being. • Be committed to ensuring that all children in our schools receive an excellent education in a safe and stimulating environment. • Commitment to and understanding of professionalism in line with the National Teaching Standards 		<p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p> <p> </p>
<p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all pupils • Willingness to undertake training 		<p> </p> <p> </p>

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