



PERSON SPECIFICATION – HEAD OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

CRITERIA	QUALITIES
Qualifications and training	 Qualified teacher status Degree Further degree desirable but not essential
Experience	 Successful teaching experience leading to outstanding outcomes in at least one of the Social Sciences (Psychology, Sociology, Health and Social Care) At least 5 years full time teaching experience Experience planning and delivering interventions for pupils Experience of effectively supporting colleagues to develop and improve practice Ability to role model effective practice for others and coach colleagues where needed Experience delivering training
Skills and knowledge	 Knowledge of the National Curriculum and subject specifications Expert knowledge of the way in which Social Sciences interleave and excellent in depth curriculum knowledge of own subject to KS5 and beyond Knowledge of effective teaching and learning strategies Knowledge of the barriers to learning that pupils may face and how to overcome them Tailoring plans and interventions to individual pupils An excellent understanding of how young people learn Ability to adapt teaching to meet pupils' needs Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils Ability to establish curriculum development, assessment and co-ordination Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children Knowledge of effective behaviour management strategies Able to use systems and to conduct analysis and produce reports Good ICT skills, particularly using ICT to support learning
Personal qualities	 A commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils and promoting the ethos and values of the school High expectations for the attainment and progress of young people Ability to work under pressure and prioritise effectively Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times Commitment to safeguarding and equality