

## KING EDWARD VI ASTON SCHOOL

### Appointment of a permanent, full-time teacher of English

#### Information for applicants

- i. This position due to the relocation of the current post holder. It is a permanent, full-time position and the successful applicant will be paid on the main professional scale (M1-UPS3). In addition to teaching English the successful applicant will be required to be a form tutor. Applications are welcome from candidates at any stage in their career.
- ii. The position is effective from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 however a starting date during the 2018 summer term is available for newly qualified teachers.
- iii. English is a successful department in the school. There are five members of staff and all colleagues teach in Key Stages 3, 4 and 5. While experience of teaching A-Level English Literature would be ideal it is not essential and more important is the desire and enthusiasm to do so.
- iv. There are four rooms dedicated to English teaching – each is equipped with an electronic whiteboard.
- v. All pupils are entered for a GCSE English Language & English Literature with the AQA syllabus being followed for both. For A-Level the AQA syllabus is also followed.
- vi. External examination results are generally strong .with a GCSE Grade 7+ pass rate of 50% or higher. Results at A-Level are outstanding with a 100% A\*-B pass rate in 2017.
- vii. Extra curricular activities are an important feature of the Department’s work. Colleagues where the timetable permits are given the opportunity to deliver courses in the KS4 Enrichment programme and undertake the role of Extended Project Qualification tutor. Visits to the theatre take place and the department leads on the school’s public speaking competition.
- viii. We are seeking to appoint a committed & enthusiastic teacher who enjoys working as a member of a team and is constantly seeking ways in which they can improve on their current practice.
- ix. The school takes its responsibility for the safety of the students extremely seriously and applicants will be expected to demonstrate a clear understanding of their responsibilities in this area at all stages of the application process.
- x. If you wish to apply for the position please complete an application form (available from the web site) as well as a covering letter (word processed, no more than two sides of A4, font size twelve) explaining why your experience to date makes you suitable for the position. Both should be e-mailed to [vacancies@keaston.bham.sch.uk](mailto:vacancies@keaston.bham.sch.uk)  
  
Please note that references will be obtained prior to the interview. Referees must be able to comment on your ability as a teacher and must include the Head Teacher of the last school or institution in which you were employed except in the case of applicants still in training when one of the two references must be from the course tutor.
- xi. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 0121 322 8835 or at [c.parker@keaston.bham.sch.uk](mailto:c.parker@keaston.bham.sch.uk) if you have any questions that you would like ask about the position or would like to visit the school before submitting an application.
- xii. The closing date for applications is 12 noon on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 with interviews scheduled to take place during the week commencing 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

C. Parker  
Headmaster