



KING EDWARD VI SCHOOL LICHFIELD

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Dear applicant

Thank you for requesting details for the position of Headteacher. Please take time to read through the recruitment pack to understand more about the role and our school. There is further information available through the website.

If you have not yet been to King Edward VI School and are wondering whether this is the right school for you then I would encourage you to come and visit. Pre-application visits are most welcome but not essential. Please contact Mrs Jetson office@keslichfield.org.uk to book for one of the following times.

- **Monday 19 February 2024 – 3.00pm**
- **Thursday 22 February 2024 – 9.00am**
- **Monday 26 February 2024 – 3.00pm**
- **Tuesday 27 February 2024 – 9.00am**

King Edward VI School is a thriving, successful, highly respected and over-subscribed 11-18 school which serves the south-eastern part of the City of Lichfield and a number of surrounding villages. We are immensely proud of our traditions but equally proud of our forward-looking and innovative team. Staff work very hard to keep us at the forefront of educational developments and ensure that our students receive an all-round education of the highest quality and that their families feel secure and confident in entrusting their children to us.

The school has grown by 200 students over the last five years. In 2019 we took an extra form of entry to Year 7 and Years 7 to 11 are now nine-form entry. The increase in our Published Admissions Number was agreed with Staffordshire County Council in response to the rising local population. We also have a large and successful Sixth Form with approximately 380 students following post-16 courses.

The school has recently undergone significant building work to ensure our buildings are fit for purpose as we accommodate an increased number of students. The school continues to require ongoing maintenance and development to make best use of existing buildings, ensuring that any additional accommodation is well considered and enhances overall facilities. We embrace change and seek to ensure that it has a positive impact on our students and staff. The relationships between staff and students are incredibly positive; staff also go above and beyond to provide students with opportunities for learning both in and beyond the classroom. We value all members of our school community, this is clearly articulated in our school Vision and Values.

The senior team includes two Deputy Heads, one of whom currently acts as Headteacher one day a week plus four Assistant Headteachers and the Business Manager. The team are highly experienced, providing strong leadership and support.

We are currently a maintained community school. In the changing landscape, governors are mindful of the future of the school and the importance of working with others. Our school status is regularly under review but at present there are no identified planned changes. We collaborate with the other secondary schools in Lichfield and Burntwood; King Edward VI School is also a strategic partner linked to the John Taylor Teaching School, supporting teacher training programmes and wider professional development.

Thank you again for your interest in the post. You will find further information on our website www.keslichfield.org.uk. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school if there is any further information which you require to assist you in making an application. As stated in the advertisement for the post, the closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 1 March 2024 at 9.00am. Interviews for the post are currently scheduled to take place on 14 and 15 March 2024. Any candidates who have not been contacted within one week of the closing date should assume that, on this occasion, their application has not been successful.

If you feel that this is the school that you would like to lead then please complete the application form and recruitment monitoring form in full, sign them and send them back to us, preferably by email. Please include with your application a covering letter, no more than 2 sides of A4, which includes your views on 3 principal elements that would assist our students to achieve their potential.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



Helen Coulthard (Mrs)
Chair of Governors