



## HEAD OF DESIGN TECHNOLOGY (Fast Track to SLT)

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**Salary:** M1 – U3 £25,917 - £42,020 FTE salary per annum plus TLR 1a (£8,374)

**Contract type:** Permanent, Full Time 32.5 hours per week, whole year.

**Start date:** ASAP

We are seeking to appoint an innovative, motivational and ambitious Head of Faculty with a strong proven track record of driving subject improvement in Technology. This is a fantastic opportunity for an inspirational and creative leader to play a crucial role in moving the school towards outstanding.

The successful candidate will need to have the ability and aspirations to rapidly improve the progress of our students. In addition the ability to think creatively, be proactive and bring with you a laser sharp focus on standards are all essential requirements. We are looking for exceptional candidates who have an ambition to make a difference. You will be joining the school at an exciting time in its growth and evolution and will have the opportunity to shape the way we move forward. If you feel you have the skills and drive to make a difference, we want to hear from you.

Access to a bespoke and dedicated programme to enable the successful candidate to develop their leadership and experience to ensure they are in a strong position to apply for SLT posts in the future. This includes CPD and opportunities through our Trust to engage in work in other schools, including reviewing, supporting and challenging colleagues to develop best practice in D&T.

Uniting with The Shaw Education Trust brings with it new opportunities and a wealth of resources to supplement our mission to improve outcomes for all our students. Colleagues will have access to a bespoke and dedicated programme to enable the successful candidate to develop their leadership and experience to ensure they are in a strong position to apply for SLT posts in the future. This includes CPD and opportunities through our Trust to engage in work in other schools, including reviewing, supporting and challenging colleagues to develop best practice in D&T. Outstanding teachers will also achieve Trust Professional Advocate designation, which provides exciting opportunities to support colleagues within both The Westleigh School and across other SET schools to share best practice. With this brings the opportunity to engage in the cross-trust peer review and Trust CPD programme.

### **The successful candidates will:**

- Willingness to be flexible and support the school when needed
- Bring rigour and an eye for detail and experience to our ambitious school
- Be professional and approachable.

### **In return we can offer:**

- A forward thinking and innovative Senior Leadership Team
- An open and transparent workplace that has an honest and respectful culture
- Friendly and enthusiastic children
- Caring, friendly colleagues with a strong team spirit and a positive attitude
- Supportive parents and Academy Councillors

The Westleigh School enjoys a successful partnership with the Shaw Education Trust, which is a growing multi academy trust led by an Executive Leadership Team steeped in school leadership and improvement experience. Working with the Shaw Education Trust also allows colleagues to access a large range of well-established training opportunities and work alongside like-minded professionals across a range of schools.

The Shaw Education Trust offer the following benefits with your employment:

- An excellent Local Government Pension Scheme / Teachers Pension
- Access to health and wellbeing support via Occupational Health
- Cycle to work scheme
- Access to our Institute of Education and fantastic opportunities to help you **grow, contribute** and **flourish** in your role and in the Trust.

At The Westleigh School, each pupil can feel that they belong to a caring and supportive environment. The school/academy is committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of students and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be required to undergo appropriate child protection screening including a DBS check.

Please click on the following link to refer to SET [Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy](#)

Further details and application forms are available from the school website [www.thewestleighschool.co.uk](http://www.thewestleighschool.co.uk) / [www.shaw-education.org.uk/careers](http://www.shaw-education.org.uk/careers) or by contacting the school.

Completed applications are returnable to Mr Carlton Bramwell (Headteacher), The Westleigh School, Westleigh Lane, Leigh WN7 5NL via [vacancies@westleigh.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:vacancies@westleigh.wigan.sch.uk)

**In accordance with our safer recruitment policy CV's will not be accepted.**

**Application deadline:** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 9am

**Interview date:** To be confirmed

**Required:** As soon as possible