# Job Description: Senior Leader (Behaviour and Inclusion)

**Reporting to:** Principal

**Location:** Ark Walworth Academy

Contract: 1 Year Fixed Term, starting September 2020

Working Pattern: Full Time

Salary: Ark Inner London Leadership Scale

#### The Role

As a member of the senior leadership team, you will be centrally involved in the overall leadership and management of the academy and will help to establish a school culture that is both nurturing and rigorous. For the fixed term of this contract the responsibilities will include whole-school behaviour and inclusion, line managing the pastoral team; leading on internal exclusion; hosting/chairing the local managed move forum; liaising with other schools and professionals; line management of DDSL and wider inclusion team; leading on the delivery and development of school culture.

## **Key Responsibilities**

- Support colleagues, including all other members of the leadership team, in their work for the development and improvement of the academy, in order to achieve high standards of behaviour and attainment
- Support and contribute to the development and implementation of the academy's vision and strategy
- Take responsibility for day to day management of the school alongside the Principal and SLT, and in the Principal's absence, take full responsibility for the school
- In partnership with the principal and rest of the leadership team, ensure the safeguarding of all pupils, and that the safety and wellbeing of pupils and staff is promoted and maintained at all times

## **Leadership and Management**

- Share responsibility for the management of the Academy and to contribute to the consultative and decision-making processes
- Support whole school aims, objectives and policy decisions, contribute to their establishment and initiation and sustain their implementation and review
- Actively promote the academy and liaise with outside agencies as necessary, representing the Principal, the academy or Ark as appropriate
- Provide information, advice and perspective to the governing body and to any legitimate external enquiry/evaluation
- Support the Principal in the responsibility for the implementation of performance appraisal for all staff, including line management of particular staff

#### School ethos and culture

- Support the Principal in fostering a strong sense of academy community and ethos among both staff and students
- Promote consistent implementation of behaviour policy and system of rewards and sanctions, characterised by orderly behaviour, caring and respectful relationships, and no shouting
- Act as a positive role model to staff and students



• Be active in issues of staff and student welfare and support and demonstrate a commitment to Equality of Opportunity for all members of Academy staff

## Teaching and learning (if applicable)

- Support the training and development of teaching staff so as to improve the quality of teaching and raise the level of challenge in lessons
- Use regular assessments to monitor progress and set targets, and respond accordingly to the results of such monitoring
- Support the Principal in leading whole school planning and assessment through accurate record keeping and sophisticated data analysis
- Ensure that all pupils achieve at chronological age level or, if well below level, make significant and continuing progress towards achieving at level
- Maintain a teaching timetable and teach outstanding lessons that motivate, inspire and improve student attainment
- Maintain regular and productive communication with parents, to report on progress, sanctions and rewards and all other communications

## **Other**

- Actively promote the safety and welfare of our children and young people
- Ensure compliance with Ark's data protection rules and procedures
- Liaise with colleagues and external contacts at all levels of seniority with confidence, tact and diplomacy
- Work with Ark Central and other academies in the Ark network, to establish good practice throughout the network, offering support where required

This job description is not an exhaustive list and you will be expected to carry out any other reasonable tasks as directed by your line manager.



# Person Specification: Senior Leader (Behaviour and Inclusion)

### **Qualification Criteria**

- Qualified to work in the UK
- Degree level qualification or equivalent

## **Knowledge, Skills and Experience**

- Demonstrable commitment to raising attainment of all pupils
- Experience of having led, or significantly contributed to, the success of a school through its leadership, ethos, teaching and learning (if applicable) and results
- Experience and understanding how to improve and sustain an effective behaviour policy
- Experience leading a team and/or working to support the significant success of others, including professional development and effective management of underperformance
- Ability to use data to inform decision making and diagnose weaknesses that need addressing

#### **Behaviours**

- Genuine passion for and a belief in the potential of every student
- A robust awareness of keeping children safe, noticing safeguarding and welfare concerns, and you understand how and when to take appropriate action
- Deep commitment to Ark's mission of providing an excellent education to every student, regardless of background
- Excellent interpersonal, planning and organisational skills
- Resilient, motivated and committed to achieving excellence
- Reflective and proactive in seeking feedback to constantly improve practice
- Commitment to regular and on-going professional development and training to establish outstanding classroom practice (if applicable)
- Commitment to and understanding of professionalism in line with the National Teaching Standards (if applicable)

#### Other

- Right to work in the UK
- Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all students
- Willingness to undertake training
- This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check

Ark is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in our academies. In order to meet this responsibility, we follow a rigorous selection process. This process is outlined <a href="here">here</a>, but can be provided in more detail if requested. All successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.

