

Springwell Leeds Academy

Teacher of Science (Possible TLR)

Fixed term contract, maternity cover

Required from February 2020 (possible Jan 2020) – November 2020

Salary: MPS/UPS + SEN point (Possible TLR)

- Do you want to make a really difference to some of the most vulnerable students in the city?
- Work at a brand new bespoke SEMH provision right from the start?
- Work with like-minded staff who prioritise student needs?
- Maybe move away from the restrictions of a mainstream pathway?

Springwell Leeds is a new provision for children and young people with Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs for the city of Leeds. We have been developing across the city on a number of different sites between since September 2016 and the last of our new buildings in Tinshill opened last September.

Our aim is to provide the best possible care and education that we can for children and young people with Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs. Unconditional Positive Regard is at the centre of what we do and we are creating an academy that is welcoming, caring, safe, warm and believes that all its pupils can be supported and empowered to succeed.

We are creating individual and personalised pathways for our students that are built around their varied needs that will help them achieve positive outcomes and prepare them for their onward destinations into continuing education, work or training. In order to achieve this we are developing a curriculum that provides opportunities for academic progression as well as vocational learning, whilst being engaging, creative, and innovative.

We see strong relationships with students, parents, carers and the wider community as the key to our success – and we ensure that our academies are welcoming safe places for children to learn and prosper. We believe in working closely with our families and carers and welcome their support, but also realise that at times they will need our support too. We work closely with Leeds City Council and other agencies and schools to make sure we do all we can to make learning and life the best it possibly can be.

We will eventually be an Academy for 340 5-16 year olds on three sites across the city. We have two experienced Science leads across our three sites and are looking to develop this team such that you will be part of that established network of experienced SEMH science practitioners.

In the new year we are looking for an exceptional and creative science teacher who is passionate about providing the best possible education and care for vulnerable students. The post is based across two sites our North Leeds site in Tinshill, which opened last September and our East site located in Seacroft. In the first instance, this is a fixed term contract for maternity cover for the current post holder. We are looking for a teacher of science, but for a suitable candidate there is the option of a TLR to take on greater leadership of science on site. This post will involve teaching science up to GCSE level as well as a range of other appropriate qualifications, depending on the needs of the students. In addition you will have the opportunity to support none specialist teachers in delivering science as part of a cross-curricular approach at KS3. Significant training, time and support will be given to be confident in delivering high quality learning. You will be well supported by senior staff and an other science leader, who will be based on another site but work closely with you.

This position would suit a teacher with a proven track record of exceptional practice, who is able to work with vulnerable pupils with social, emotional and mental health difficulties (SEMH). It would suit an

individual who is passionate about making a real difference to student's life chances and supporting them in achieving their potential in essential life skills, which is a high priority for Springwell Leeds. The ability to be creative and use imaginative flair to engage is essential, along with having resilience, drive and high expectations to inspire students to achieve. As we are a growing Academy it may also provide an opportunity of further leadership opportunities in the future.

Springwell Leeds is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

If you would like to discuss or find out more about this post, please contact Mary Ruggles, Associate Principal of Leeds North, via email m.ruggles@springwellacademyleeds.org

To apply please submit an application form and covering letter, of no longer than two sides of A4. The letter should outline why you feel your experience makes you a strong applicant for this exciting opportunity, highlighting areas in which you have shown impact.

The deadline for electronic submissions is 9am Friday 22nd November 2019.

Completed applications should be e-mailed to Lauren Harper, PA to Executive Principal at l.harper@springwellacademyleeds.org

We anticipate that interviews will take place the following week.

Useful Links:

<http://springwellacademyleeds.org/>

<http://springwelllearningcommunity.co.uk/>

<http://barnsleytsa.net/>

<http://wellspringacademytrust.co.uk/>