

# Second in Charge English

# **Job Description**

Date last reviewed on:	
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POSITION	Second In Charge - English	
SALARY	Teachers' Main Payscale +TLR / UPS + TLR	
START DATE	September 2025 – earlier start date possible for the right	
	candidate	
HOURS	40 hours per week	
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	Full Time, 52.143 weeks per annum	
CONTRACT TYPE	Permanent	
RESPONSIBLE TO	HoLA - English	
RESPONSIBLE FOR	N/A	
LOCATION	Mossbourne Fobbing Academy	
KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS	SLT, Teachers, Students and Parents	

# **Background**

Mossbourne is the realisation of Sir Clive Bourne's dream to provide the children of Hackney with an outstanding education. Mossbourne is built on a formula of high expectations, doing the simple things right, and the belief that all children can succeed. All learners, regardless of ability, benefit from the innovative and enlightened approaches to teaching and learning. The Federation's calm working atmosphere creates well-rounded individuals who excel in the arts, on the sporting field and academically.

The Mossbourne Federation consist of seven academies: Mossbourne Community Academy (MCA), Mossbourne Fobbing Academy (MFA), secondary and sixth form, Mossbourne Victoria Park Academy (MVPA), Mossbourne Port Side Academy (MPA) secondary, Mossbourne Parkside Academy (MPA), Mossbourne Riverside Academy (MRA), Mossbourne Herd Lane Academy (MHA) primary.

The Mossbourne Federation is actively seeking to increase the proportion of our workforce who come from diverse backgrounds. We particularly welcome applications from people of Black, Asian and other minority ethnic descent. Injustice, discrimination and intolerance go against the core tenets of the Mossbourne ethos. We actively reject discrimination in our academies through continuous review of our working policies & practices across the federation, including at board level. We are committed to developing & supporting inclusivity, diversity & anti-racism in every facet of what we do.

## Mossbourne Fobbing Academy (MFA)

Mossbourne Fobbing Academy is a school with a rich history of excellent academic, artistic and sporting achievements. Today, that legacy of excellence lives on through our wonderfully talented students and terrifically dedicated staff.

Everything we do is built on the conviction that learning and safeguarding come first. We expect the highest standards of behaviour so that our students can focus on learning in an environment that supports them to feel and be safe. This means our teachers plan and teach lessons with great care and detail to ensure that all of our students acquire the knowledge, character and qualifications they need to reach their potential.

Our students capitalise on a fantastic range of facilities that encourage them to nurture and pursue their passions in sports and the arts. While our range of extra-curricular activities, including the Combined Cadets Force and The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, offer experiences that broaden horizons and enrich lives.

We are dedicated to ensuring that our students leave equipped with the knowledge, character and qualifications that open the doors to whatever future they envisage for themselves. Our students leave ready to make their mark on the world and bring positive change to their communities.



Mossbourne Fobbing Academy is at an exciting point in its history as it joins the Mossbourne Federation – a Federation with exceptionally high standards where pupils achieve outcomes which are among the best in the country. These exciting times bring our school a fantastic opportunity to develop, grow and prosper as we continue our mission to ensure our students get the outstanding education they deserve.

If you want to be part of the team that is improving the life chances of our students, then read on!

#### The English Learning Area

Responsibility for the learning area is shared between the Head of Learning Area (HoLA), a second in charge and several other members of the team. English teachers at Mossbourne Fobbing Academy (MFA) are passionate about their subject and collaborate closely in pursuit of excellence; it is an exciting place to teach English. The department is well-resourced with every classroom benefiting from an interactive whiteboard and a visualiser.

### **Job Summary**

We are seeking an outstanding leader and English practitioner who is ready to help the Head of Learning Area lead and manage the department, alongside having individual responsibility for leading and managing a Key Stage. The successful applicant will be passionate about English, have excellent subject knowledge and have the drive and ambition to help drive continued improvements in the department. They will be well organised and willing to go the 'extra mile'. They will be ready to deputise for the Head of Learning Area when they are unavailable and will embody the high standards that we expect from all of our staff. They will be instrumental in ensuring that outstanding teaching and learning is maintained in the department. They will share in the vision that success in English is for <u>all</u> students and will be central in not only maintaining high standards but have the desire to play a significant role in developing the English Learning Area further.

#### Main Duties & Responsibilities

To work with the Head of Learning Area to ensure the effective provision of English teaching and learning throughout all years and to take on a proactive role in leading within the department. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- To deputise for the Head of Learning area when necessary.
- To lead and manage all elements of curriculum and assessment
- Co-ordinate, oversee and contribute to the development of schemes of work, liaising with the Key Stage coordinators.
- To work with the Head of Learning Area to ensure effective provision of teaching and learning of English.
- To observe colleagues regularly and provide quality feedback, setting targets for improvement and follow up where appropriate.
- To support English teachers in their drive to become outstanding, through lesson observations, collaborative planning and departmental INSET.
- To participate in training, monitoring and mentoring of ECTs, other trainees and the mentors that support these members of staff.
- To contribute to the planning, development and delivery of training and INSET within the English Department.
- To take on a lead role in ensuring outstanding behaviour is upheld in the English Learning Area
- To train teachers on the use of data and how to use it effectively across the Learning Area.
- To have an overview of progress and attainment of students across all Key Stages.



- To be a member of the pastoral team & if required, a form tutor carrying out associated responsibilities.
- To comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.
- To oversee Prep lessons, including delivery of 'Bourne Scholar' sessions, as directed and in accordance with Academy expectations



	Person Specification		
<b>E</b> Essential		Assessment Criteria	
or <b>D</b> Desirable	Requirements	Interview	Application Form
Experienc	e		1
D	Ability to teach English to KS5	Х	Х
E	knowledge and understanding of how students learn English	Х	х
E	Ability to monitor and report student attainment across all Key Stages	Х	х
D	Training, monitoring and mentoring ECTs and Schools Direct trainee teachers	Х	х
E	Ability to observe colleagues on a regular basis and provide quality feedback, setting targets for improvement and follow up where appropriate	х	х
Е	Ability to plan, develop and deliver training and INSET within the department	Х	Х
E	Capable of up-skilling teachers on the use of data and how to use it effectively across the learning area	Х	х
E	Ability to develop and maintain positive relationships with teachers, support staff and parents	X	Х
E	Ability to coordinate, oversee and contribute to the development of schemes of work, liaising with the Key Stage Coordinators	X	Х
E	Capable of supporting English Teachers in their drive to be outstanding practitioners	Х	Х
E	Displaying effective classroom management and efficient organisation of resources	Х	Х
Qualificati	•		1
E	A good degree in English or a related subject	Х	Х
E	Qualified Teacher Status (QTS)	X	х
IT knowled	dge		
D	Knowledge of the Microsoft package (Word, Excel, Outlook, Publisher, Power Point)		х
D	Ability to swiftly adapt to and utilise new/various systems/software		х
D	Capable of making effective and appropriate use of ICT in lesson delivery and within the Learning Area		Х
Behaviour	al Competencies		
E	Excellent communication skills	Х	
D	Strategic approach, ability to see the 'big picture'	Х	
D	Have the initiative to work independently with minimal supervision	Х	
E	Ability to meet ALL deadlines internally and externally ensuring output consistently is of an exemplary standard	X	
Е	Must have the upmost integrity as well as high levels of motivation and commitment.	х	



E	Proactive approach and efficient time management and prioritisation skills	Х	
E	The drive to deputise for the HOLA when necessary	X	Х
E	Genuine interest and passion for the education of young people and the ability to contribute more widely to the life and community of the Federation	Х	х
Applicable to all staff			
E	Undertake training as required to so to fulfil the requirements of the role	Х	x
E	Support Mossbourne efforts both verbally and non-verbally (i.e., Via actions and attitude), including adjusting performance and practice in accordance with Mossbourne's initiatives and findings	Х	х
E	Recognise your role as part of the succession of Mossbourne	X	x
E	Play an active role in terms of Safeguarding all students and adults	X	х

Mossbourne Federation reserves the right to modify this job description to ensure the needs of the Federation & students are met. The document is not a comprehensive list; it simply outlines the expectations of this role.

This post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure. The post holder must be committed to safeguarding the welfare of children.