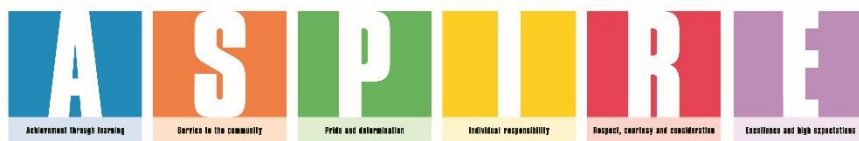


MOULTON SCHOOL AND SCIENCE COLLEGE ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER

Information for Candidates



Strive for Great Things

Welcome from Headteacher

On behalf of Moulton School, I am delighted to invite applications for the position of Assistant Headteacher at Moulton School and Science College.

We are at an exciting juncture in our school's journey. Moulton School, alongside an experienced and talented senior team, has seen the pace of improvement accelerate considerably. We are now seeking an exceptional new Assistant Headteacher to build upon these strong foundations and take us even further on our journey toward becoming an outstanding provider.



This is a wonderful opportunity for an enthusiastic and visionary leader to join a thriving school community of over 1,430 students, including a successful sixth form of 200 students. Moulton School has been graded 'Good' by Ofsted in 2023, with inspectors recognising our many strengths and examples of exceptional practice, particularly in personal development.

We are a fully inclusive community that welcomes all students and is proud to host a Designated Specialist Provision for students with autism. Our school is very well led and governed, with strong leadership at all levels and effective safeguarding throughout.

The successful candidate will join a happy and stable staff team who are committed to our ASPIRE ethos and our five key values of Respect, Safety, Positivity, Co-operation, and Kindness. They will be supported and challenged by an experienced and skilled governing body who know the school well and maintain high expectations for both students and staff.

We are looking for a senior leader who shares our ambition for every child, who understands the importance of developing the whole child, and who can inspire our community to achieve even greater success.

If you are passionate about making a difference and excited by the prospect of leading within a school with such strong values and community spirit, we warmly encourage you to apply.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barrie Murphy', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr Barrie Murphy
Headteacher

Moulton School and Science College

Moulton, Northamptonshire



Our Strengths and What We Stand For

Our Values

At Moulton School, our five key values are at the heart of everything we do, determined by students, parents, staff, and governors:

Respect
Safety
Positivity
Co-operation
Kindness

These values describe the community of which we wish to be a part and guide our daily interactions and decisions.

Our ASPIRE Ethos

We live and work according to our 'ASPIRE' ethos, which sets the tone for both our expectations and the achievements we celebrate:

ASPIRE: Strive for great things

At Moulton, every child truly matters, and each student is celebrated for their particular talents, spirit, and potential—no matter what path their interests lead them down. We are ambitious for all our students, helping each one to be the very best they can be and boosting their individual potential.

Who We Are

Moulton School and Science College is a popular and successful school serving Moulton and the surrounding villages to the north of Northampton, with over 1,430 students, including 200 in our thriving Sixth Form. Graded 'Good' by Ofsted in 2023, we have a tradition of strong academic achievement set within a context of care and support for each individual and the development of the whole child. This holistic approach creates a very special atmosphere and culture within our school.

Our Key Strengths

Outstanding Personal Development

Personal development is a standout strength of our school. We have an extremely wide extra-curricular offer, including sports, residentials, extensive clubs and societies, Duke of Edinburgh programmes, and numerous visits and visitors. Our students consistently speak with enthusiasm and fondness about the experiences we provide.

Exceptional Careers Education

We hold the prestigious Platinum Careers Mark Award, having been a Gold-designated school for five years. Our careers provision is exemplary—virtually no students leave NEET testament to our outstanding CEIAG programme and the commitment students build to their learning.

High-Quality Teaching and Curriculum

We deliver a knowledge-rich, sequential curriculum that is carefully planned and research-informed. Every subject has detailed curriculum plans and knowledge organisers. Our staff are highly skilled and committed to setting high standards, supported by comprehensive and targeted CPD.



Strong Leadership at All Levels

The school is very well led and governed, with particular strength in middle leadership, both subject and pastoral. Our experienced and skilled governing body provides effective support and challenge, ensuring clarity of vision and strategic direction.

Excellent Pastoral Care

We have created an atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation, providing the foundation for a happy and successful school life. Our friendly, highly inclusive learning atmosphere is frequently remarked upon by visitors. Students feel safe and secure, supported by effective safeguarding throughout.

Impressive Sixth Form Provision

Our sixth form combines strong academic performance with excellent opportunities for leadership development and personal growth. Students benefit from a broad curriculum offer across three pathways, first-class careers guidance, and a supportive community that prepares them exceptionally well for university, employment, and life beyond school.

Community Engagement

At the heart of our ethos is the concept of an extended family, primarily founded in our House structure. We play a full and active part in the local community, maintaining strong relationships with parents and stakeholders through various engagement opportunities.

Our Commitment

We want our students to leave school having maximised their academic progress and honed their individual passions, but also with fond memories of the breadth of opportunities taken, the relationships made, and the experiences enjoyed. Students leave us as confident, respectful young people, well-equipped with the knowledge and cultural capital to succeed in their future lives.

Job Advert

Salary: Leadership scale L11-15

Support with relocation expenses, if necessary, is available for the right candidate.

Who Are We Looking For?

We are seeking a new senior leader who values our history and achievements while continuing to strengthen the school's many excellent qualities. We need an outstanding leader with presence who is compassionate, genuine, humble and has exceptional interpersonal abilities.

Working within a supportive and values-driven culture, the successful candidate will have the opportunity to shape the future of the school, ensuring that Moulton pupils are academically and socially equipped to be successful in future learning and career pathways. You will have a demonstrable track record of successful leadership. You may be an Assistant Headteacher ready for a fresh challenge, or an experienced middle leader looking for the next step – we will give you the freedom to lead. Either way, your exceptional people skills and the ability to establish relationships across diverse communities of students and families will set you apart. Most importantly, you will lead with a strong moral compass and an unwavering belief in the potential of every child. You will benefit from an enthusiastic and committed leadership team and a supportive staff.

Inspection Report – June 2023

“Leaders think carefully about the curriculum they provide for pupils. They make sure that pupils can study a broad and ambitious range of subjects, including in the sixth form. The curriculum prepares pupils well for further study at post-16 and beyond.”

“Teachers, including those in the sixth form, have strong subject knowledge. They select activities that help pupils understand new learning readily. Teachers adapt the delivery of the curriculum to make sure that pupils with SEND also learn well.”

“Leaders promote pupils’ personal development well, including in the sixth form. This helps pupils to develop their confidence and character. The life skills curriculum prepares pupils well for life in modern Britain.”

“There is a strong culture of safeguarding in the school. Leaders are vigilant in keeping pupils safe. They have established an effective system for recording and monitoring the safety of pupils. They act speedily when a pupil is at risk of potential harm.”

“Governors know the school well. They visit the school regularly to keep themselves well informed. They hold leaders to account closely. Staff are proud to work at the school and appreciate that leaders take their workload into account.”

How to Apply/Recruitment Process

If you wish to discover more about this exciting opportunity, need any further information or would like to have an informal discussion, or arrange a visit to the school, then please contact the Headteacher's PA, Mrs Sarah Mowbray: sarah.mowbray@moultonschool.co.uk.

We have an online application form that can be accessed via MyNewTerm at: <https://mynewterm.com>

We welcome applicants to inform us if you need any particular adjustments, arrangements or access needs as part of the recruitment process.

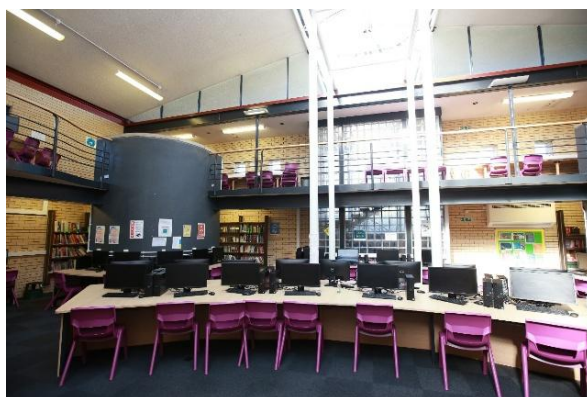
For any queries about the application process itself, please contact Mrs Vienna Waights, HR Manager, at vienna.waights@moultonschool.co.uk or by phone on 01604 641600. Please also note that queries will not be answered by the school during the holiday period, in order to respect our staff's work/life balance.

Closing date: Monday 18th May at 9am
Shortlisted candidates notified by Monday 18th May 2026

Interview dates: Thursday 21st May 2026

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Job Description

This is more than a leadership role: it's a chance to shape lives, elevate outcomes, and embed a culture where every young person can thrive. Whether you're an experienced Senior leader or a high-performing middle leader ready to step up, this is your opportunity to lead a foundational aspect of our community in a school that is determined to ensure that all students can go on to aspirational pathways when they leave us at the end of their Moulton Journey.

Key Accountabilities

Operations

- Take a full and active role as a member of the senior leadership team.
- Lead on behaviour, progress and attendance of all students across Key Stage 3.
- Manage a team of curriculum and pastoral leaders to deliver excellent outcomes in line with the school's development priorities.
- To contribute to good management practice by ensuring positive staff participation, effective communication and procedures, assisting with ensuring staff accountability as required.
- Undertake such duties as are delegated by the Headteacher.
- Undertake the normal responsibilities of a class teacher.

Raising Attainment & Intervention

- Strategic oversight of the progress of all Key Stage 3 students including vulnerable, SEN, and Pupil Premium (PP) students.
- Contribute to the management of the Key Stage 3 Pastoral Intervention Programme including evaluation of teaching and learning and interventions to drive improvement.
- Attend all relevant SLT/Middle Leader meetings.

Safeguarding

- Work with the DSL to ensure effective Safeguarding practices are followed throughout the school.
- Assisting the Deputy Headteacher in the effective use of Alternative Provisions and off-site directions for all students in Key Stage 3.

Quality Assurance & Reporting

- Assess and report to Governors on effectiveness of provision across the lower school.
- Completing, in collaboration with other members of SLT, the School SEF and development plan.
- Presentation of key areas of responsibility to Governors.

Transition & Engagement

- Support DHT with transition of Year 6 to Year 7.
- Support organisation of Open Evenings, Option Evenings, Parents' Evenings and ASPIRE evenings.

Strategic Leadership and Management

- Work with the Headteacher, Trustees and others to further develop a shared, strategic vision that impacts positively on students' experience and outcomes.
- Model the ethos and values of the school.
- Lead others in prioritising and impacting positively on the pastoral care and education of all.
- Build capacity amongst staff to deliver and sustain the highest quality outcomes.
- Ensure creativity, innovation and other transformational activities to raise standards in all areas.
- Act as the key driver of development and change in a range of areas.
- Be accountable for leading projects, meeting deadlines and engaging staff as appropriate, delegating, providing resources and delivering the highest quality outcomes.
- Contribute to policy discussions and decisions in all areas including leadership and management, the pastoral remit in its widest sense and quality of education.
- Lead, implement and review school policies and develop school systems as appropriate.
- Engage and collaborate with the wider community to bring positive benefits to the school and share its expertise more widely.
- Plan, develop, monitor, evaluate and review the Behaviour and Moulton skills curricula
- Make a significant contribution to all aspects of school monitoring and self-evaluation.
- Engage staff, realistically and constructively, leading the ongoing review and management of the main pressures on them to support workload and well-being.
- Make a significant contribution to the development of a school-wide ethos which enables everyone to work collaboratively, celebrate success and accept responsibility for outcomes
- Be responsible and accountable for the day-to-day operational needs of the school, staff and students and together with the Headteacher and Deputy Headteachers to plan and organise the work of the Leadership Team.
- Ensure high-quality, ambitious education for ALL learners as per Equality Act 2010 and Human Rights Act 1998.

This job description is correct at the date of publication and may alter depending on the strengths of the successful applicant. It may also change over time as the needs of the school change. The job description will be discussed as part of the school's appraisal policy and may be amended after discussion with the post holder.

Person Specification

Are you ready to lead with purpose, ignite ambition, and make a lasting impact in a thriving school community? Moulton School and Science College is seeking a bold, values-driven Assistant Headteacher to support and drive the next chapter of excellence.

QUALIFICATIONS

- ✓ Good honours degree in any relevant subject with QTS
- ✓ Proven evidence of success and relevant professional development across career
- ✓ Appropriate educational and professional qualifications

EXPERIENCE

- ✓ Significant middle leadership experience
- ✓ Demonstrate consistently high standards of principled and professional conduct, meeting the Teachers' Standards and the Seven Principles of Public Life, and to be responsible for providing the conditions in which teachers can fulfil them
- ✓ Track record of achievement in raising standards and outcomes and achieving excellence
- ✓ Evidence of successful promotion and implementation of innovation in teaching and learning
- ✓ Experience of using evidence-based information about effective interventions and pastoral care
- ✓ Evidence of the ability to develop excellent relationships with pupils and adults
- ✓ Experience of working successfully with local community and external agencies/stakeholders
- ✓ Experience of building successful working relationships with a governing body and of sustaining and developing effective partnerships with other organisations
- ✓ Experience of managing resources such as physical space, or a budget



KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING

- ✓ An up-to-date knowledge of school improvement planning and evaluation
- ✓ An understanding of current educational issues, including national policies, priorities and legislation
- ✓ Knowledge of a range of effective strategies for maintaining and developing high standards of attainment, behaviour, attendance and pastoral care
- ✓ A knowledge of quality assurance systems (including school review self-evaluation and staff appraisal)

- ✓ Ambitious standards for all students to overcome disadvantage and advance equality, preparing students from all backgrounds for their next phase of education and life

PERSONAL QUALITIES

- ✓ Strong team leadership philosophy, sets priorities, agrees and achieves ambitious goals and targets
- ✓ Outstanding ambassador for the school with clear values and moral purpose, who is able to articulate and model the vision of the school
- ✓ Thinks creatively to anticipate and solve problems
- ✓ Acknowledges excellence and challenges poor performance
- ✓ Inspires, motivates and empowers staff, pupils and parents
- ✓ Enjoys working with, and has empathy for, young people from all backgrounds
- ✓ Works collaboratively with others, delegating appropriately
- ✓ Seeks and acts on feedback from others, including colleagues and governors
- ✓ Adaptable and creative in changing circumstances
- ✓ Shows resilience and decisiveness under pressure
- ✓ High level of perseverance, energy and enthusiasm for the school
- ✓ Willing to be involved in all aspects of school life
- ✓ Ability to provide strategic and creative leadership and develop a school vision which has excellence at its core and incorporates our ethos and values



Moulton school and Science College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) clearance check. References will be taken up for all shortlisted candidates prior to interview. The School reserves the right to research shortlisted candidates on social media platforms and the internet, and the recruitment panel may take this information into consideration during the recruitment process. Please note, it is an offence to apply for the role if the applicant is barred from engaging in regulated activity relevant to children. This post is exempt from the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and the amendments to the Exceptions Order 1975 (2013 and 2020), which requires you to disclose all spent convictions and cautions except those which are 'protected' under Police Act 1997 – Part V.

May 2026