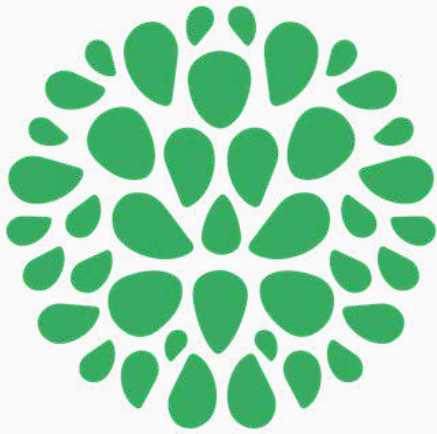




ADVANTAGE
SCHOOLS



THE STOCKWOOD PARK ACADEMY

WHY WORK FOR US?

ABOUT ADVANTAGE SCHOOLS

At Advantage Schools, we aim to provide all children with the highest quality of teaching of an excellent curriculum, which enables them to become highly educated and active participants of society.

You'll be working alongside an expert team of fellow colleagues within a forward thinking, collaborative and supportive trust.

We provide sector-leading professional development offer and extensive networking opportunities, and excellent opportunities to develop and grow in a successful and expanding trust.

ABOUT THE ROLE AND YOUR APPLICATION

This post would suit a highly motivated individual whose values are aligned with ours. You need to want this school to be the best, full stop.

You will be well supported in developing your competencies as a valued member of our team and you'll be working alongside a smart group of friendly and supportive colleagues in order to achieve our ambitions collectively.

To apply, you should include a letter with your application form on no more than two sides of A4, giving your reasons to for applying for the post, addressing information you have read in the pack with particular reference to the person specification and outline any relevant experience you would bring to the trust. Please do not send a generic letter; we really are looking for someone who is prepared to respond to us as an individual trust. You can be sure we will take time and care in reading your letter; we appreciate how much energy goes into it.

Please read the information in this pack. If you are interested in this job opportunity, please apply online today via our career site on: www.advantageschools.co.uk/join-us/work-for-us

SAFEGUARDING

"The safeguarding and welfare of children is paramount and all our staff share this view. Applicants must be willing to undergo safeguarding and child protection checks including with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

ABOUT THE STOCKWOOD PARK ACADEMY

The Stockwood Park Academy is rooted in a strong culture, shared values, and a relentless focus on doing what is right for pupils and staff.

Clear expectations, consistent systems, and strong relationships ensure that both staff and pupils feel safe, supported, and able to focus on learning. This calm and purposeful environment allows teaching to thrive and gives colleagues the confidence that standards are upheld fairly and consistently.

The academy is a happy and positive place to work. Regular celebration events recognise success and effort, while day-to-day teamwork between staff and pupils builds a strong sense of community. Collegiality, mutual respect, and shared purpose underpin everything the school does.

Colleagues benefit from being part of an aligned and supportive trust. The wider trust family of ten schools shares the same aims and values, working collaboratively to support one another. This extended network provides opportunities for professional development, shared expertise, and a genuine sense of belonging beyond the individual school.



HERE'S WHAT OUR STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY

"Stockwood can be very eventful in a good way. I have lots of fun times with both staff and students"

"I like The Stockwood Park Academy because I learn challenging topics and the teachers are supportive."

INTEGRITY, AMBITION, EXCELLENCE

Welcome to Advantage Schools; a high-performing family of ten schools.

We unashamedly believe in high attainment. Our schools seek to transform the life-chances of the young people in our care. We do this through very high expectations – of behaviour and conduct, of hard work and of determination and perseverance – alongside the very best knowledge-based curriculum.

At Advantage Schools, we commit to ensuring that pupils will be able to learn in an environment that is free from disruption so that they can chase their dreams and fulfil the aspirations they share with parents and colleagues. A broad curriculum places pupils in a strong position to question and debate the world around them, making them intellectually resilient and prepares them for citizenship in a democratic society. We believe this is a right of all pupils and one which is empowering.

We also pride ourselves on the additional opportunities available to pupils outside of the classroom. Our extensive extra-curricular programmes include residentials, sports and music so that we develop well-rounded young people.

Our schools work together to provide teachers and support staff with the best possible training. In partnership with families, we work hard to ensure that pupils have the widest possible opportunities in their lives.

Our schools' doors are open in every sense:

- we are in the centre of our communities, inviting them in regularly and celebrating the richness of our local area and those we serve;
- we collaborate with other professionals and schools, sharing our work to benefit pupils across the country;
- we celebrate what we do while maintaining humility in accepting feedback so that we can continue to improve.

We run our schools in the best interests of the pupils, guided by our principle that *"it must be good enough for our own children or those that we care deeply about to be good enough for our pupils"*.

"Educating children, serving the community, achieving exceptional outcomes."

Stuart Lock
Chief Executive



MEET OUR LEADERSHIP

At The Stockwood Park Academy we are seeking a dynamic Lead, responsible for French. Make no mistake – this is a genuinely exciting opportunity for the right candidate. The key responsibility is to lead and manage staff to construct and deliver an ambitious curriculum that supports all students to achieve exceptional outcomes.

Our Academy vision is “Striving for excellence and contributing to society” - underpinned by our core values of Excellence, Responsibility and Respect. We are a values driven organisation, with our students at the centre of our decision making processes. The culture of our school is warm and welcoming. Leaders work closely with staff, pupils and families to build a culture of belonging and mutual respect. We are proud of the enhanced work our school does to support our community as well as how we celebrate difference and diversity. We are relentless in our approach to school improvement, unapologetically ambitious for our staff and students, and, have high aspirations to be a Top 1% organisation.

Our core focus, and at the heart of everyone’s responsibility, is Quality First Teaching. We are ambitious for our pupils and we understand that this is underpinned by the high-quality lessons that are delivered, day in, day out. We make no exceptions and no deals in our approach to Teaching, because we know that it is right for our context. Staff and students of TSPA are aligned to our Playbook approach and are reaping the benefits. Any new applicants will receive an enhanced on-boarding & induction process to support staff in implementing our core teaching routines. Our CPD programme is tailored and bespoke to the needs of staff and students; it is focused on Playbook implementation, Evidence informed research codified to support implementation in the classroom. We grow our own.

Complementing our classrooms is high presence from Senior, Middle Leaders and Pastoral staff. The school is calm and orderly and well-managed by a wide range of staff. Lessons are purposeful and rarely disrupted. Teachers are able to teach, students are able to learn. High-quality pastoral support helps students to regulate, learn from their mistakes, and become you citizens. Clear classroom routines, expectations, and centralised processes, including detentions, are in place to support staff and maximise every minute on learning.

At TSPA we are passionate about supporting the Personal and Cultural Development of students. We want our students to leave TSPA with exceptional outcomes, but we also want students to leave as well round individuals that have real life experiences within the wider and extra-curricular programmes. We are proud of the work that our staff and students take part in to support all aspects of our multi-cultural community. The highlight of the Stockwood Park calendar is our annual Culture Day.

As part of the Advantage Schools trust, we are a unique family of schools, sharing our practice and beliefs to enable young people to achieve the very highest standards. At Advantage Schools, we provide exceptional opportunities for all to be knowledgeable with experiences that broaden horizons.

I We ensure our children, students and adults cultivate a strong self-belief so that they can flourish and develop into successful, well- rounded, self-respecting people. Our commitment to this vision can be demonstrated by our values Integrity, Ambition, Excellence.

Yours sincerely,

Mumin Humayun



I aim to recruit staff who:

- Are excited by their role and by the prospect of working with young people, even those who are less motivated
- Love the processes of learning and teaching are keen to continually develop their own skills
- Recognise that teaching can be a demanding job but react positively to those demands rather than complaining
- Will subscribe to the ethos of the trust and 'go the extra mile' in terms of time and commitment to get the very best from our young people
- See break duty as an opportunity to talk to children
- Are quick to praise and slow to criticise and are not afraid to admit to seeing themselves as potential leaders of the future





ABOUT THE STOCKWOOD PARK ACADEMY

Providing the very best education for all our students is the simple goal for The Stockwood Park Academy. Whilst firmly rooted in traditional values, we have made our school a vibrant and exciting place with a positive ethos that runs throughout the school. We want our children to flourish and develop into decent, disciplined, well-educated and employable adults.

We have an innovative curriculum, which makes the transition from primary to secondary education an enriching and enjoyable experience and enables students to follow a personalised route to success. Our students are achieving the highest standards in the classroom, on the sports field and among the community.

Our state of the art building offers cutting edge facilities that are benefiting students even further. Our hardworking and motivated staff are providing outstanding lessons and are given the best possible support. We work closely with parents and carers, encouraging their children to achieve and ensuring that excellent progress is made. We also have Phoenix (our inclusion support unit), a gym and a reflection room for staff and students.

With the rigorous use of data, constant assessment of student progress and quality assurance methods, together, we are achieving more than we ever thought possible. We instantly respond if students experience difficulties. Dialogue with teachers is encouraged as a framework for students to develop ideas, ask questions think about their learning.

TEACHER TESTIMONIAL

MICHELLE LEA-WATTS, DIRECTOR OF ENGLISH

Since joining The Stockwood Park Academy in September, and even prior to my arrival, I have been absolutely staggered by how friendly this school is. While I could describe how colleagues have been exceptionally supportive, I think it's most important to note just how lovely our students are because it is so refreshing to join a school and feel welcomed by the young people. This has a lot to do with the trusting nature of our students, but also the warm approach to behaviour management advocated and encouraged by the leadership.

As an English teacher it has also been amazing to see a school which has not only said it will raise the profile of reading, but is acting upon its word. All students regularly receive books as gifts and the emphasis on reading for pleasure is very strong. The renovations to the school library and investment in specific reading programmes have made it clear that reading is valued here and is a priority. I have found the leadership team to be highly involved at all levels with a great presence throughout the school – from break duty to teaching; there's a strong sense that we are all working together which is not always the case in other schools.

ADVANTAGE SCHOOLS VALUES



INTEGRITY, AMBITION, EXCELLENCE

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Our commitment to this vision can be demonstrated by our values.

INTEGRITY

We provide a caring, nurturing environment where children and young adults feel happy, healthy and supported. Our academies will be places of safety, enabling pupils to develop courage, strong ambition and be the best that they can be.

We act honestly and transparently, advocating for pupils even when this causes difficulties.

We work together to share innovative practice and to provide a wealth of opportunities for all pupils and staff.

We focus on the development of all our colleagues through quality recruitment and retention, with excellent opportunities for clear and dynamic career progression.

AMBITION

We provide exceptional lessons enabling our pupils to be highly successful.

We share the most impactful approaches to teaching, curriculum and assessment, ensuring an interesting, inclusive and challenging education is on offer in each of our schools.

Our aim is to guarantee excellent 2-19 provision, with clear progression routes for all. You can expect excellent behaviour and conduct at all times, allowing all to make progress and achieve.

EXCELLENCE

We enable all of our pupils to develop and flourish, through close working and regular communication with our families and local community.

Our Cross-Trust focus is to ensure children are supported to meet ambitious targets and to provide exciting opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom.

STAFF BENEFITS

We offer a fantastic range of benefits across our trust, supporting our staff in a variety of ways. From an extensive **Wellbeing package**, to an onsite car wash, you can be reassured that we have your best interests at heart.



Whole trust training events



Free eye test vouchers



Refer a friend £500 bonus scheme



Staff recognition with reward shopping vouchers



Enhanced pension employer's contribution & death in service payment



We are in the process of a big benefit review. Watch this space!



Support for all staff with an experienced licensed counsellor



Cycle to work scheme

EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



CAREER PROGRESSION

At Advantage Schools, we are committed to helping every colleague grow, thrive, and achieve their full potential. Supporting career progression is at the heart of what we do.

To empower our staff, we provide fully funded opportunities to study for NPQs, along with tailored middle leader training for eligible colleagues.

Additionally, we offer a wide range of CPD training through various partnerships and platforms, giving all staff access to an extensive selection of professional development courses.

Join us and take your career to the next level with our exceptional development opportunities!



All colleagues have access to Perkbox, our Employee Benefits Programme, offering them a huge range of perks from vouchers, hot drinks, cinema tickets, gym classes and so much more. It also offers a substantial **wellbeing package**.



MEDICAL

Perkbox also provides 24/7 access to GP appointments, confidential support and guidance through the Employee Assistance Programme.

Colleagues have access to a team of fully qualified counsellors and advisors, with support for a range of emotional, legal and financial issues, along with a wellbeing portal, full of resources and videos

At The Stockwood Park Academy, we believe that daily high-quality teaching, grounded in high expectations and disruption free classroom environments are the key to success for our students. We believe in an evidence-based approach to teaching and use the evidence research to support our development.

TEACHING AND LEARNING AT TSPA

At TSPA all lessons, centre around our 5 Principles of Effective Teaching (Retrieval practice, presenting new materials, guided practice, deliberate practice and the best possible ending to your lesson). We recognise the importance of a high quality, challenging curriculum which must underpin what happens in the classroom and the value of feedback at all stages of teaching and learning. We are proud to make use of key strategies found in 'Teach Like a Champion' and 'Walkthrus' as they provide practical methods to implement Rosenshine's Principles of Instruction. We do not encourage unnecessarily elaborate approaches to lesson planning and delivery. We trust that our teachers are experts in their subject areas and allow them to design and deliver lessons to a high standard.

CLASSROOM ROUTINES

All of our classrooms have visualisers and classroom countdown timers. We expect lessons to be purposeful with opportunities for guided and independent practice. Our teachers regularly show what excellence looks like with the expectation that students are given the opportunity to produce work of a similar high standard.

FEEDBACK

Our feedback policy utilises Live Marking to support teachers in recognising common strengths and areas of the curriculum where students require extra support or reteaching. We assess our students regularly but are considerate of the impact this has on our teacher's workload. We recognise the value of feedback for our teachers too. Teachers work closely with our internal teaching coaches where feedback and professional dialogue is central to the ongoing development of each of our colleagues. Faculty areas also have regular opportunities to work collaboratively as part of our generous directed time policy.



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WWW.ADVANTAGESCHOOLS.CO.UK



Assistant Head of Year

The Stockwood Park Academy are currently looking to recruit an enthusiastic and committed Assistant Head of Year to join our team. This is a pastoral role where you will assist the pastoral team and wider academy to ensure significant academic progress and excellent behaviour of students across a year group. To succeed in this role, you will be able to inspire and motivate students to excel in their education and have high expectations of what students can achieve. You will be part of the pastoral team, led by an Assistant Principal and includes Senior Heads of Year, Heads of Year and Assistant Heads of Year.

The Stockwood Park Academy are proud of the unrivalled education experience offered. You will certainly benefit from forward-thinking and supportive leadership, an encouraging and enthusiastic staff body, and enterprising students. Our academy has state of the art facilities, fit for all your teaching needs.

'We recognise talent, recruit for attitude and train you for the skills'

If you want to grow and develop in a fast paced, dynamic, and successful Academy, come and join us at The Stockwood Park Academy!

Key Duties

- Track student progress, behaviour, attendance and punctuality data and support follow up and intervention.
- Mentor identified students in and where appropriate across Year Teams
- Support staff in the management of student behaviour
- Communicate and meet with staff, parents and carers and outside agencies.
- Support the Head of Year in the consistency of student rewards and awards.
- Contribute and actively engage in duties across the academy to encourage a calm and purposeful learning environment

The successful candidate will have

- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Energy, commitment, and attention to detail
- A good sense of humour and the ability to diffuse potentially difficult situations with ease.
- An understanding of how an effective pastoral system underpins high academic achievement.
- A 'can do' attitude, hard worker.
- Resilience and the ability to work as part of a team.
- Passionate about pastoral support.
- Can run intervention to support students needing additional support.
- Local community knowledge would be beneficial.
- Those who can run clubs/extra curriculum welcome.

JOB SPECIFICS

Start date September 2026

Job Role Permanent, Full-time, Term-time + 5 INSET days plus 2 weeks, 41 weeks per year.

Salary AS 15-20 FTE £30,334- £32,906 dependent on actual experience, actual pro-rata salary £27,673 - £30,020, plus additional £2,500 per annum Fixed term, reviewed annually (*please see details below*)

Permanent working hours - 37 hours per week, Monday to Thurs 8:00am to 16:00pm and Friday 8:00am to 3:30pm, 37 hours per week

Additional Fixed term hours, reviewed annually (£2,500 per annum) - additional time for end of day Behaviour Operations - Monday to Thurs 16:00pm to 16:30pm and Friday 3:30pm to 16:30pm

Working day including the Fixed term Behaviour Operations - Monday to Friday 8:00am to 16:30pm

The Trust reserves the right to interview and appoint a suitable candidate before the deadline date.

Job Description

Job Title: Assistant Head of Year

Line Manager: Senior Head of Year

Salary: AS 15-20 dependent on actual experience, plus additional £2,500 per annum Fixed term, reviewed annually.

Job Role Permanent, Full-time Term-time 5 INSET days plus 2 weeks

Principle Responsibilities

The post holder will be required to exercise his/her professional skills and judgement to carry out, in a collaborative manner, the agreed professional duties set out below: -

- Uphold and promote Academy aims and policies.
- Be an active member of the Pastoral and Behaviour Support Teams and Academy learning community.
- Make a significant contribution to maintaining an appropriate environment for learning.

Main Duties

The post holder will be required to make an impact on students by:

- Actively researching new ideas and developments
- Tracking student progress, behaviour, attendance and punctuality data and supporting follow up and intervention
- Mentoring identified students in and where appropriate across the year group.
- Supporting staff in the management of student behaviour
- Communicating and meeting with staff, parents and carers and outside agencies
- Supporting Form Tutors during tutorial time
- Undertaking duties that encourage a calm and purposeful learning environment for example 'On call' and transitions
- Supporting HOY in the consistency of student rewards and awards
- Supporting the monitoring of attendance and strategies to reduce Persistent Absence and improve overall attendance
- Collate and provide work for excluded students, where necessary.
- Carrying out home visits to identified students and the families
- Liaise with SENCO and LSAs as appropriate.
- Supporting the management of extra - curricular Year Team activities
- Maintain and update displays and information on Pastoral and Year Group notice boards, celebrating individual and group successes.
- Contribute to and support the pastoral system
- Supporting assembly and other Year Team event planning
- Supporting the HOY in Year Team meeting preparation and management and deputising for HOY when necessary
- Involvement in ensuring safeguarding children procedures operate effectively in the Year Team
- Liaising with, attending and communicating information from multi agency meetings to relevant staff
- To undertake any other duties, consistent with the nature of the post, which may be required from time to time by the Principal.

Personal Responsibilities

The post holder will:

- Support HOY in ensuring that communication within the team is effective
- Support and guide all staff
- Provide a shared vision of excellence and inclusion within the Pastoral, Behaviour Support Teams and the Academy
- Participate in Performance Management, and INSET

Resource Responsibilities

- To build partnerships with parents/carers and external agencies to support student academic progress and social development
- Visit alternative providers and keep accurate records.
- Respond to parent / carer enquiries by telephone, letter or email as appropriate
- To keep accurate records of all communication with parents, all behaviour and reward issues, and any other pertinent information relating to students within the year group in student files
- Ensure that all necessary Risk Assessments for activities and external provision are in place

Stakeholder Responsibilities

- To act as a role model for tutors by demonstrating own high quality pastoral care and monitoring of students, continuous professional development and professional presence in the Year Team
- Ensure the effective use of data to inform practice and high expectations
- To engage all tutors in the creation, consistent implementation and improvement of tutor work which encapsulate key Academy learning strategies
- To contribute to tutorial development during form tutor time to ensure the delivery of an appropriate, comprehensive, high-quality programme
- Provide accountability to parents / carers for any identified targeted student issues

General Responsibilities

The Assistant Head of Year will undertake generic responsibilities, with examples including:

- Have a high presence across the Academy during the change of lessons, during lessons, pre-Academy, break-times, lunchtimes and post Academy hours
- Promote the ethos and values of the Academy through involvement in high quality assemblies
- Being an excellent role model for students and staff
- Contribute to the wider life of the Academy
- Attend Academy events and activities
- To undertake other tasks which may be reasonably requested by the Principal

This job description will be reviewed annually and may be subject to amendment or modification at any time after consultation with the post holder.

Person Specification

Title: Assistant Head of Year

The Assistant Heads of Year play a crucial role in the life and success of the school

Core Features of person specification:

- a) The ability to inspire and motivate students to achieve high standards of behaviour and academic achievement
- b) Possess excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- c) Be an outstanding ambassador for the academy
- d) Have energy, commitment and attention to detail
- e) Hold high expectations and aspirations of all students and staff
- f) Be able to lead, develop and manage form tutors
- g) Have a good sense of humour and the ability to diffuse potentially difficult situations with ease
- h) Show an understanding of how an effective pastoral system underpins high academic achievement
- i) Possess excellent organisational skills and an ability to meet deadlines under pressure
- j) The ability to maintain a whole school perspective on daily routines
- k) Be able to hold people to account
- l) Enthusiastic, self-starter, ability to work and liaise with a variety of departments and colleagues