



Teacher of Design Technology (Resistant Material)

Heathside Walton-on-Thames

Walton-on-Thames, Surrey KT12 2JP

Starting September 2026

Full Time, Permanent

MPR/UPR (fringe)

Applications welcomed from ECTs and more experienced candidates

This is an exciting time to join **Heathside Walton-on-Thames**, an Ofsted-rated Outstanding secondary school, as we enter our fifth year of growth and success. At Heathside Walton-on-Thames, we believe in nurturing a **warm, inclusive, and aspirational community** where both students and staff are encouraged to thrive.

We are seeking a dedicated, inspiring, and enthusiastic **Teacher of Design Technology (DT) with Resistant Material** who is passionate about creativity, innovation, and practical problem-solving. This is an excellent opportunity for someone who thrives on bringing design, craftsmanship, and artistic expression to life, while developing students' technical skills, creativity, and critical thinking.

We pride ourselves on fostering a supportive and aspirational culture where purposeful learning is second nature. Our DT spaces celebrate curiosity, experimentation, and creative risk-taking, while our staff are encouraged to grow professionally and personally.

As a valued member of our DT team, you will benefit from:

- **Opportunities to shape and develop your department:** Play a key role in strengthening our provision of design, making, and artistic practice as our school continues to grow.
- **Career growth and development:** Access high-quality training, mentorship, and clear pathways for progression.
- **A meaningful impact on students' futures:** Contribute to shaping innovative, resilient, and creative young people through the power of design and art.

We strongly encourage interested candidates to arrange an informal tour of the school. Experiencing our vibrant learning spaces and meeting our passionate staff is the best way to understand our ethos. To arrange a visit, please contact the Head of School, Mr Clark, via email at smcgonigal@heathsidewalton.org.

The successful candidate will:

- Be confident teaching Design Technology across Key Stages 3 and 4, with a specialist focus on Resistant Materials
- Deliver engaging, challenging lessons that inspire creativity, technical skill, and innovative thinking
- Plan thoughtful, creative lessons that make literature accessible while stretching the most able
- Use assessment effectively to support student progress in designing, making, and evaluating
- Adapt teaching to ensure all learners—including beginners and high achievers—can access and enjoy Design Technology
- Contribute to a rich extracurricular programme, such as design clubs, art workshops, exhibitions, or STEM-related activities

We are deeply proud of the welcoming, aspirational culture we have built. With outstanding staff retention, this role forms part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring that every class is taught by a subject specialist as we continue to grow.

Closing date: Monday 23rd February 2026 at Midday

Interviews: Week commencing 2nd March 2026

Applications will be considered as they are received. We reserve the right to make an appointment prior to the closing date.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting child welfare. Applicants must undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and Enhanced DBS disclosure with Children's Barred List check. Committed to equal opportunities, we welcome applications from all sections of the community.

