



ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER VACANCIES/PERMANENT TO START AUGUST 2026 Leadership Scale Point 9 to 15

Forest Way Special School is seeking exceptional practitioners to join our senior leadership team at our main site. We currently have opportunities available within both our Primary and Secondary phases, providing a platform for leaders to champion our students' growth and ensure their educational journey is purposeful and provides a foundation for success.

At Forest Way, our vision is simple: we want every learner to "Thrive at Forest Way." If you are passionate about being aspirational for our students and are dedicated to ensuring they have the support and skills required for each successful transition through school and into adulthood, Forest Way offers a uniquely rewarding environment.

We are an all-through mixed special school (ages 4-19) catering to pupils with core needs in Cognition & Learning, alongside significant Communication & Interaction, SEMH and sensory needs. We welcome applications from experienced leaders, as well as those who are ready to take their first steps into leadership, who value creativity, research-informed practice and a heart for student-centred education.

Working alongside our highly committed and professional staff, you will embody our core values to:

- Create a welcoming and respectful environment where we nurture, praise and recognise the unique abilities and potential of every student.
- Provide an exciting, engaging and ever-evolving curriculum that is age-appropriate and sensitively matched to the needs of our young people as they progress through the school.
- Work closely with families and multi-agency professionals to ensure all pupils are prepared for ambitious futures and successful transitions through meaningful, dignified and stage-appropriate learning.
- Learn from and support colleagues in other schools while remaining reflective and striving for continuous improvement across our provision.

At Forest Way, high-quality learning that focuses on future outcomes is the key to our success. We place every young person at the heart of everything we do and are looking for a leader who is:

- Ready to meet the diverse demands of a vibrant and busy special school community.
- Able to lead with confidence, providing a stable and aspirational environment for our staff and pupils.
- Aligned with our core values that lead to independence and high aspirations for the future.

Join a team that holds pupils at the heart of everything we do. Help us lead a provision that transforms lives through purposeful, age-appropriate education and support.

Closing date for applications: Friday 17 April 2026

Interviews will be held: Monday 27 April 2026

Forest Way School



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To apply:

If you are interested in joining our school community, please visit MyNewTerm using the link below for an application form and further details about the position.

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/137905/EDV-2026-FWS-87258>

Our Child Protection/Safeguarding Policy is on our website www.forestway.leics.sch.uk

Shortlisted candidates will be subject to online searches.

If you would like further information about the role please contact the school office on 01530 831899, forestway@forestway.leics.sch.uk and they will arrange a mutually convenient time for you to speak to the Head of School. Visits to the school prior to applying are welcome.