

Teacher of Social Science
Job Description

Name:	
Job Title:	Teacher of Social Science (Sociology/Religious Education)
Salary range / job grade:	Main Scale / Upper Pay Scale (as appropriate)
Responsible to:	Head of Humanities
Responsible for:	Teaching groups as allocated. The post holder will be a committed and reflective classroom practitioner, responsible for delivering high-quality teaching and learning in Social Science, predominantly Sociology, with the flexibility to contribute to Religious Education as required. The role is central to ensuring strong academic outcomes, high student engagement, and excellent standards of behaviour and attitude to learning.
Effective Date:	01/09/2026
Working Time:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be available to teach pupils for 190 days of the school year• Be available for 5 extra days which will be specified by the Trust or Headteacher/Principal• Be available to perform duties as specified by the Headteacher/Principal for 1265 hours in any school year.• The above points will be pro rata for all part time posts• Participate in any reasonable activities of a professional nature as directed by the Headteacher/Principal.

Role and Context

Key Responsibilities:

Teaching and Learning

- Plan and deliver well-sequenced, knowledge-rich lessons in Sociology, and Religious Education where required, in line with agreed schemes of learning
- Secure strong progress for all students by adapting teaching to meet a wide range of needs, including SEND and disadvantaged pupils
- Maintain high expectations for behaviour, participation and academic achievement in every lesson
- Use assessment effectively to inform planning, provide high-quality feedback, and support students to know and remember more
- Prepare students thoroughly for internal assessments and public examinations

Curriculum and Subject Contribution

- Contribute positively to the development, refinement and evaluation of the Social Science curriculum, particularly Sociology
- Work collaboratively with colleagues within the wider Humanities faculty where appropriate
- Implement agreed departmental approaches to curriculum planning, assessment and pedagogy consistently
- Support enrichment activities, trips or wider curriculum opportunities related to Social Science where appropriate

Behaviour, Attitudes and Personal Development

- Establish calm, purposeful classroom environments that support learning
- Apply the school's behaviour policy consistently and fairly
- Promote students' cultural, moral and social understanding through thoughtful curriculum delivery
- Contribute to the school's wider pastoral aims as a form tutor if required

Professional Responsibilities

- Actively engage in professional development, appraisal and line management processes
- Maintain accurate records in line with school expectations
- Communicate effectively with parents and carers when required
- Uphold the professional standards expected of teachers at Diss High School at all times

Safeguarding

- The post holder will have a shared responsibility for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people
- Adhere to all school safeguarding policies and statutory guidance
- Undertake safeguarding training as required

Other Duties

- Carry out any other duties reasonably required by the Headteacher or Head of Humanities, consistent with the purpose of the role.

Relationships:	<p>Working closely with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All teaching and non-teaching staff • Pupils • Parents.

General Information and review:

- The job specification details the main outcomes required and should only be updated to reflect **major changes** that impact on the outcomes for the job. Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified.
- This job description will be reviewed regularly and may be subject to amendment or modification at any time after consultation with the post-holder.
- All work performed/duties undertaken must be carried out in accordance with relevant school policies and procedures, within legislation, and with regard to the needs of our customers and the diverse community we serve.
- Post holders will be expected to be flexible in their duties and carry out any other duties commensurate with the grade and falling within the general scope of the job, as requested by management.

Signature:

Date: