



Inspire Education Trust

Together we achieve, individually we grow

RECRUITMENT PACK

Cover Supervisor



Hearsall

Community Academy



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WELCOME FROM OUR CEO



It is my pleasure to welcome you to Inspire Education Trust.

At Inspire Education Trust we are passionate about making a difference to the lives of our pupils. They are at the heart of everything we do, and we strive to inspire all learners, and want all our schools to be the best they can be and for each and every child, to discover the skills, abilities, talents and interests that lie within them.

We believe in working in partnership, enabling us to ensure all children and pupils achieve their full potential. Our schools know the impact that working collaboratively can bring.

Our schools have a desire to question, change and innovate to ensure that what they provide enables our children to become successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens.

At the same time, we recognise the importance for each school to retain and promote their individual identity. Every school has its own context and challenges. This is why we encourage our member schools to lead and manage in a way that preserves that individual identity and responds to the specific needs of their children and community.

The combination of autonomy and collaboration across key areas of leadership and management, underpinned by shared values and best practice is what makes our schools special.

Lois Whitehouse – CEO

Deputy CEO



We put the quality of education at the core of our vision. Our school improvement strategies provide an excellent framework to deliver a truly broad, balanced and inclusive curriculum with an emphasis on co-curricular activities such as Arts, Music and Sports from age 2 to 18. We believe that every child is a powerful learner.

We are a progressive Trust with an excellent track record of Primary school improvement across our portfolio of 8 schools, 7 of which are Primary schools.

We have strong models of Primary school improvement alongside high-quality implementation and delivery. We have proven able to deliver high standards of education, systematically, through excellent improvement practice that incorporates knowledge building, evidence-informed professional development, and the creation of communities of improvement.



As a successful Trust we deploy the expertise of specialist primary teachers and leaders across our schools to ensure maximum impact.

The goal is for every member of staff, in every classroom to be as **good as they can be** in what they teach (the curriculum) and how they teach (pedagogy), e.g., paired planning time with subject/ teaching expert to develop teacher confidence and pedagogy.

Coaching conversations with teachers/ leaders so that developments come directly from them to motivate and signpost independent improvements through self-study documents such as WALKTHRUS and external courses. This will allow capacity to be enhanced so that teachers can then improve each other and hone/ innovate practice. Once practice is embedded and impactful, we would look to develop leaders of these areas externally to innovate and lead future practice in their school and more widely across the Trust.

We are constantly refining the way we support, challenge, and improve our schools. At the heart of our approach is first-class teaching.

Rob Darling – Deputy CEO

ABOUT THE ROLE

Post Title	Cover Supervisor
Salary Range	Grade 4 - £23,026 - £23,393 pro rata, (FTE £25,989 - £26,403)
Reporting to	Head Teacher
Status	37 hours per week, Permanent, TTO plus 5 days
Flexibility	Job flexibility

Job Purpose:

Working as a Senior Cover Supervisor, the post holder will lead planned learning with individuals/groups and classes of pupils in a teacher's absence and to manage, organise and prepare resources for planned learning under the direction and supervision of teaching/senior staff. The selected candidate must have experience of delivering complete planned lessons.

Main Duties and Responsibilities

Specific responsibilities include but not limited to:

- Undertake appropriate preparation of lessons for individuals, groups and whole



classes.

- Lead and supervise agreed learning of individuals, groups and whole classes of pupils as required.
- Assess the development, progress and attainment of pupils in planned learning sessions.
- Report on the development, progress and attainment of pupils to the responsible teacher as appropriate.

Support for pupils

- Adjust learning for individuals, groups, or whole classes.
- Build productive relationships with pupils, providing feedback and setting high expectations.
- Promote inclusion and acceptance of all pupils.
- Consistently support pupils, recognizing and responding to their needs.
- Encourage cooperative interaction and engagement in activities.
- Promote positive behaviour, handle conflicts promptly, and encourage self-responsibility.
- Foster pupil independence in learning, social, and mobility skills.
- Ensure safe use of equipment and materials.

Support for Teachers

- Monitor and evaluate pupils' responses to learning activities.
- Mark pupils' work, record achievements, and assess tests.
- Follow the school's marking and feedback policy.
- Supervise and discipline pupils, providing feedback.
- Contribute to a stimulating learning environment.
- Liaise with professional staff and parents/carers, contributing to meetings.
- Communicate with other agencies/professionals to support pupil progress.

Support for the school

- Comply with policies and procedures.
- Contribute to the school's ethos, aims, and vision.
- Communicate with other agencies/professionals to support pupil progress.
- Attend and participate in meetings and training.
- Supervise pupils during out-of-school activities.
- Use personal strengths to advise and support others.
- Assist with general care and welfare of pupils, including hygiene routines, first aid, and administering medicines.
- Support the overall ethos and aims of the school and Trust.
- Supervise pupils outside lesson times and during activities.
- Participate in personal and professional development activities.
- Assist in the supervision and training of volunteers, students, or other staff.



Safeguarding and Child Protection

- Knows what to do if they have concerns about a child
- Takes on the responsibility for providing a safe environment and promoting children's welfare
- Undertakes regular safeguarding and child protection training
- Familiarises themselves with *Keeping Children Safe in Education part 1* (KCSIE) and local policies and procedures as directed by the trust/academy

Other

- *Carries out any other duties as directed by the finance and compliance manager that are within the scope, purpose and spirit of the role*
- Attends regular continuing professional development (CPD) as required by the school, and other optional relevant CPD to develop good practice
- Proactively takes steps to ensure their mental health and wellbeing is protected, seeking further support if appropriate



PERSON SPECIFICATION – Cover Supervisor

		Essential	Desirable
Education and Qualifications	Qualified at Level 3 or above in teaching and learning or a similar subject	✓	
	Qualified at Level 5 or above in teaching and learning or a similar subject		✓
	Good knowledge and skills in the use of ICT/Technology	✓	
	Educated to at least Level 2 (e.g. GCSE C/4 or above) including in English and mathematics	✓	
Experience	Working with young people on a voluntary or paid basis in a professional capacity	✓	
	Experience of delivering complete planned lessons.	✓	
Skills and Knowledge	Effective oral and written communication.	✓	
	An ability to work creatively as an individual and as part of a team	✓	
	Attention to detail/ability to enter data accurately	✓	
	A "team player"	✓	
	Ability to work unaided	✓	
	Discrete and experience of handling confidential data	✓	
Personal Qualities	Ability to handle pressure and prioritize workload.	✓	
	Dedicated to our vision that all children are entitled to a first-class education	✓	
	Possesses a genuine belief that all children are equal and celebrates the diversity in our school communities	✓	
	Self-motivated and able to work on own initiative without supervision	✓	
	Works with honesty and integrity	✓	
	Emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviour	✓	
	Recognises the importance of protecting their own personal wellbeing	✓	
	Committed to making children feel happy, safe and secure	✓	
	Understands their role in safeguarding and protecting children or a keen willingness to learn this	✓	



Safeguarding and Child Protection	Develops appropriate professional boundaries with children. Knows not to build friendships	✓	
	Awareness of the key safeguarding processes in schools or willingness to understand these	✓	
	In-depth understanding of the requirements of Keeping Children Safe in Education		✓
	A realistic appreciation of the challenges involved in working with children		✓
	Committed to improving safeguarding processes and practices. Sees it as part of their job		✓
Professional Development	Willing to participate in further appropriate professional development	✓	
	Positive approach to own continuous personal professional development and training		✓

CORE COMPETENCIES

Clear understanding and commitment to safeguard and protect children

Adopts an inclusive approach respecting diversity in all forms

Conscientiously adheres to school / trust policies and procedures and works ethically

Works in a way, which abides to the school and trust values

Embraces our mission "Together we achieve, individually we grow." encouraging our pupils to be the best they can be



ABOUT HEARSALL ACADEMY



Hearsall
Community Academy

FACTS AT A GLANCE

2-FORM ENTRY

NUMBER OF PUPILS: 465

NUMBER OF STAFF: 66

BASED IN: EARLSDON, COVENTRY

WELCOME FROM HEADTEACHER



Hearsall is a thriving, diverse school in a fantastic Edwardian building, which has been serving the local community for over 100 years. We are proud of our warm and nurturing environment which is full of enthusiastic children and staff who are committed to supporting children to achieve their best.

Community is at the heart of everything we do and we work closely with our community of parents, carers, governors and extended families who provide invaluable support for the school including events and fundraising.

We are also part of the Inspire Education Trust community which encompasses 7 other schools. We all work closely together to ensure children are inspired and supported to achieve their full potential.

At Hearsall we are passionate about creating a learning environment and ethos which engages and motivates our learners to work hard and flourish. We want to develop children's skills of independence, resilience, collaboration and respect to prepare them with life skills for the future. Our





theme curriculum is carefully designed to inspire children and ensure they love learning with enriching and creative experiences.

We look forward to seeing you in school.

Claire Jones – Headteacher

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Our **school motto** is 'Reach your true potential'

Our whole school community values the contribution every child brings, which makes our school a happy and fun place to learn and work. Our **mission statement** is: 'Together We Achieve, Individually We Grow' and this sentiment underpins all we do.

Our purpose is to provide our children with a broad and balanced curriculum, allowing all of our children to flourish academically, socially and emotionally, building the skills to 'live life in all its fullness' and reach their given potential as individuals and as a collective. Our Vision and Values are lived daily by all within our school community. We are proud to celebrate our diverse demographic, which in turn allows us to support the wellbeing of staff and children alike. Inclusivity is at the heart of everything we do, we celebrate different faiths and beliefs which in turn builds a sense of achievement, resilience and mutual trust.

We consider Hearsall to be at the heart of the community. We work alongside our families, local residents and regional businesses to support the local community throughout the year. We support charities, celebrate successes and provide a hub for the local community during times of difficulty. We aim to support well-being by being an active part of the local community, visiting those who need it most and celebrating successes and achievements of those in the locality.

In our school, inclusivity is at the heart of everything we do. We celebrate different faiths and beliefs.

- In our school community, **we aim** to create an atmosphere of trust and understanding in which the sanctity of the individual is cherished and where the children and adults show consideration, courtesy, and respect for each other at all times.
- **We aim** to overcome any barriers to learning in order that children achieve their full potential.



- **We aim** for all members of our school community to feel safe, secure and successful.
- **We aim** to provide a dynamic and responsive curriculum, which stimulates a life-long love of learning through which children develop the skills necessary to be successful citizens of the future.
- **We aim** for the children to be independent learners and feel confident to make decisions and take responsibility for their learning.
- **We aim** to constantly provide opportunities for children to engage with current and new technologies to enhance their learning experiences.
- **We aim** to develop effective partnerships between home, school, local, national and global communities.





ABOUT INSPIRE EDUCATION TRUST

Inspire Education Trust is an Multi Academy Trust that grew from a shared belief that children deserve a first-class education, so that each child and student understands what they are capable of, and what talents they have, and strives for excellence in themselves to succeed in the next stage of their education and the world of work.

We understand that every member of our staff is here for the best interest of our children. With them, we want to ensure that every child is valued and that the unique identity of each of our schools is protected, celebrated, and recognised for the contribution it makes to ensuring our pupils have the best education and experiences.

Inspire Education Trust is made up of 8 schools.

- Arley Primary School, New Arley, Warwickshire (2024)
- Blue Coat Church of England School & Music College, Stoke, Coventry (2020)
- Clifford Bridge Academy, Binley, Coventry (2015)
- Frederick Bird Primary School, Hillfields, Coventry (2024)
- Hearsall Community Academy, Earlsdon, Coventry (2017)
- Stockingford Academy, Nuneaton, Warwickshire (2019)
- Walsgrave Church of England Academy, Walsgrave, Coventry (2015)
- Whittle Academy, Walsgrave, Coventry (2015)

Our Trust Motto encapsulates the beliefs and ideals of our family of schools.

"Together we achieve, individually we grow"

OUR TRUST

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- Clifford Bridge Academy
- Frederick Bird Academy
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- Whittle Academy

KEY FACTS AT A GLANCE

7 PRIMARIES & 1 SECONDARY

MIXED MAT – 2 CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOLS

5,000 PUPILS AS OF JAN 2024

709 STAFF

OPERATING OVER 2 LOCAL AUTHORITIES



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STAFF WELLBEING & SUPPORT 'THE LITTLE THINGS'

At Inspire Education Trust, we are committed to working towards the best balance of hard work, commitment and wellbeing as well as avoiding the burden of unnecessary tasks. Our trust leaders aspire that all colleagues are fit, well and content at work. Some of the little but important things we give back to staff are listed below; new ideas are always welcome.



External coffee van visits site for staff use



Support for new staff starters who join Inspire Education Trust (e.g buddy pairing)



Calendars regularly reviewed with staff workload in mind



No Student or class data collected for data's sake



Prayer and worship time across our CofE schools



8 free external counselling sessions for all staff



PPA time designed to promote a healthy work life balance



Dedicated classroom wherever possible for all teaching staff



Free Wellbeing App Subscription



Time off for staff wellbeing



Staff wellbeing integral to the appraisal process.



Enhanced paternity leave for all staff - 1 week at full pay and 1 week at Statutory Paternity Pay



Gym and fitness membership discount through CV-Life (based in Coventry)



Flexible and generous approach to family appointments, children's events, nativities, sports days etc



Opportunities for staff to get involved in sport and physical activity



Opportunities for career development always considered



Measured approach to lesson drop-ins



Staff marking & workload group to guide and develop policy



Communications protocol which promotes a healthy work life balance



Cycle to work scheme



Approachable Senior Leadership Teams



Staff social events (e.g time to talk)



Staff wellbeing champion network of support



EAP (Employee Assistance Programme) - Health Assured



Employer pension contributions of 23% + for teaching and support staff.



Generous holiday allowance for all year-round support staff (28 days annual leave, plus 8 bank holidays. Increasing to 33 days after 5 years of service)



Access to trained Mental Health First-Aiders for all Staff



MAKING AN APPLICATION

Applications for this post will only be accepted using the electronic application form on the My New Term sit using the URL: <https://www.ietrust.org/vacancies/>

The closing date for applications is 9am Friday 20th March 2026

Interested candidates are encouraged to contact Catherine Alexander-Gamble.

Applicants are advised to contact catherine.alexander-gamble@ietrust.org HR & Payroll Coordinator if they wish to organise a visit to the schools.

Shortlisted candidates will need to be available for interview on Thursday 26th March 2026

If you have any questions relating to the application process, see the FAQ's page and if you still have a question - please do let us know by contacting Catherine Alexander-Gamble – HR & Payroll Coordinator Catherine.alexander@ietrust.org

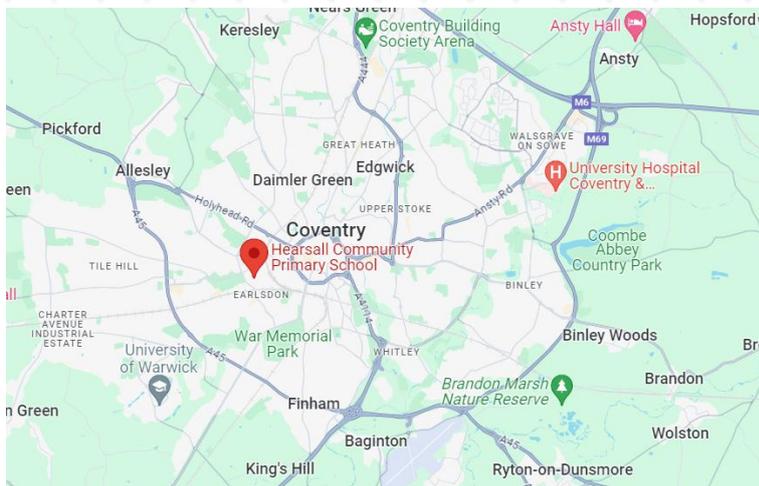
We look forward to hearing from you.





HOW TO FIND US

If you arrange a visit or are successfully shortlisted for an interview, then you will need to visit our school. Please see the below for guidance and directions on how to find Hearsall Community Academy.



ADDRESS

Hearsall Community Academy
Kingston Road
Coventry
CV5 6LR

A 5-minute drive from Coventry Rail Station, and a 5-minute drive from Coventry city centre.

PARKING

We do not have on-site parking, however being in a residential area the roads surrounding Hearsall Community Academy will have spaces available, which you can park in. See below for guidance.





RECRUITMENT PRIVACY NOTICE INSPIRE EDUCATION TRUST



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Who is collecting your data?

Inspire Education Trust is a data controller for the purposes of the General Data Protection Regulation and domestic legislation. The personal data that you provide will be used in connection with your application for vacancies at the Trust. If we make an offer of employment, the Trust will provide a fully informed privacy notice to employees.

Why are we collecting your data?

- So we can process your application to the next stage
- Check and verify your identity
- Ensure your suitability for the position advertised including contacting references from your noted referees, provided you have confirmed their consent to be contacted for this purpose
- For research, analysis and statistical purposes
- Meet our statutory obligations under the Equality Act 2010

What is being collected?

The information you provide us within submitted forms is collected to enable us to consider your suitability for the vacancy. This includes:

- Name and contact details (phone number, email and address).
- Previous work history and experience
- Education, training and qualifications
- Referee contact details

We also process special category data such as:

- Religion
- Ethnicity
- Disability Issues

We ensure we keep our records up to date by logging these on the TES platform in which you made your application. If you are successful in your application, we will provide you with further details about how we will process your personal data.

Do we share your data?

Information on application forms and notes made during the interview process are not shared if an offer of employment is not made. If an application is successful, a workforce privacy notice will be provided to you, detailing how we will use your personal data.

Your Rights.

You can see your rights in relation to the application by visiting <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters>

Retention

Unsuccessful candidates' application forms will be destroyed after 6 months.

Successful applicants will be provided with a fully informed employee privacy notice alongside their contract. The information provided on this form will be stored with the successful applicant's personnel file. This is kept in line with the School's record retention schedule. This can be found on the School website.

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