

THE  
Eastbourne  
ACADEMY

**Lead Practitioner for History**  
The Eastbourne Academy  
Information



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# Welcome

Dear Applicant

Welcome to your first step in becoming part of The Eastbourne Academy.

We are a well-established school in East Sussex which continues to go from strength to strength

The Eastbourne Academy is set in the picturesque seaside town of Eastbourne, surrounded by the beautiful South Downs . We are fortunate to have excellent buildings with modern resources which provide a warm, welcoming and friendly place to learn that challenges everyone to be their best. With easy train links to Hastings, Lewes, Brighton and London, schools, colleges and universities nearby and plethora of tourist attractions on our doorstep, it really is a wonderful place to live and work.

At The Eastbourne Academy we believe that learning is our core priority. We recognise that continually striving to improve the quality of teaching and learning is key to securing high levels of achievement for all. We aim to foster each student's unique strengths and talents whilst meeting their needs and raising their academic and social aspirations. Students of all abilities will be given every opportunity to learn in order to achieve their full potential. We aim to achieve this by creating a stimulating learning environment where high expectations, and the use of digital technologies are the norm. Every student and teacher is equipped with technology that helps bring subjects to life and supports learning in an exciting and innovative way.

Academic and personal excellence are at the heart of The Eastbourne Academy's curriculum intent. Endeavouring to provide the highest quality education for all, we strive to equip students with the knowledge they need to gain and maintain employment and independence.

We recognise that qualifications are the stepping stone to employability, but also that high aspiration and strength of character are the foundations for long term success.

A wide range of student leadership, arts and sports programmes, trips and visits, and extra-curricular opportunities ensure that the curriculum extends beyond the classroom.

Students will leave The Eastbourne Academy with the essential knowledge and attributes they need to be fully rounded and educated citizens who will be prepared for whatever the future may bring.

This could be your first step to becoming part of this vibrant, successful and inclusive learning community, where both students and staff thrive. I invite you to come and see for yourself what makes us so special.

Kind regards,



Mr Dan Wynne Willson  
Headteacher



Mrs Rachel Gough  
Secondary Improvement Lead

# Job Description

**Job Title:** Lead Practitioner for History  
**Grade:** LP4 - LP7  
**Responsible to:** Headteacher

## **Purpose of the job**

To raise standards and develop teaching and learning in History. Ensuring that high quality classroom practice helps to raise outcomes both within the subject and in general across the school. To assist in developing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating:

- Teaching and learning
- Curriculum planning
- Continuing professional development
- Team building.

A Lead Practitioner will be a key leader in establishing systems and procedures to develop teaching and learning within their subject and whole school. They will provide leadership and guidance on the production of learning resources and lead and encourage critical professional dialogue within the department.

A Lead Practitioner is expected to lead by example and demonstrate passionate ambition for the school, subject and its students.

The current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document describes the general professional duties which teachers are expected to undertake in the course of their employment. Teachers are also expected to perform particular duties as may reasonably be assigned to them by the Headteacher.

## **For the purpose of this general job description these particular duties are:**

### **Curriculum:**

- To plan and prepare courses
- To continuously review teaching methods, schemes of work and resources as necessary
- To advise and co-operate with the line-manager, other teachers and the Senior Leadership Team on the preparation and development of courses of study, teaching materials and resources, teaching programmes, methods of teaching, assessment and pastoral arrangements.
- To participate in meetings of the school which relate to the curriculum for the school or the administration or organisation of the school, including pastoral arrangements.
- To take part as required in the review, development and management of activities relating to the curriculum, organisation and pastoral functions of the school.

### **Professional Development etc:**

- To participate in any arrangement within an agreed national framework for the performance management of his/her performance and that of other teachers.
- To participate in arrangements for his/her further training and professional development as a teacher.
- To contribute as appropriate to the selection for appointment and professional development of other teachers and support staff, including the induction and assessment of new and newly qualified teachers.
- To co-ordinate or manage the work of other teachers as appropriate.
- To manage or supervise support staff as necessary.

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## **Pupils:**

- To plan and prepare lessons.
- To teach pupils assigned to him/her, including setting and prompt marking of work carried out by pupils in school or elsewhere.
- To set relevant and sufficient homework, according to the homework timetable, and to ensure prompt marking of the homework or coursework.
- To assess, record and report on the development, progress and attainment of pupils, according to departmental and whole-school policies.
- To participate in the arrangements for preparing pupils for public examinations. To assess pupils for the examinations and record and report these assessments.
- To promote the general progress and wellbeing of individual pupils and of any class or group assigned to him/her.
- To provide guidance and advice to pupils on educational and social matters and on their future education and careers, including information about the sources of more expert advice on specific questions.
- To make records of, and reports on, the personal and social needs of pupils.
- To provide or contribute to oral and written assessments, reports and references relating to individual pupils and/or groups of pupils.
- To maintain good order and discipline among pupils and to safeguard their health and safety both when they are authorised to be on the school premises and when they are engaged in authorised school activities elsewhere.
- To attend assemblies and to supervise his/her class while in assembly, unless the teacher wishes to opt out of any religious aspect of assembly where this is against their beliefs.
- To accurately register pupils during lessons and at any other time necessary before, during or after school.
- To support all colleagues in ensuring that high standards of uniform and behaviour are maintained within the school
- To work with other colleagues to ensure that there is a consistent approach in ensuring pupils abide by the school's code of conduct and the same consistency in dealing with pupils who do not conform to school rules.
- To make relevant records and reports as necessary.

## **Parents and the wider community:**

- To communicate and consult with the parents of pupils when required.
- To communicate and cooperate with other persons and outside agencies as required.
- To participate in meetings arranged for any of the purposes described above.
- To foster good relationships with parents.

## **Resources and Accommodation:**

- To take responsibility for the care of resources, accommodation and fabric of the school, particularly when pupils are present.
- To allocate, as appropriate, equipment and materials in connection with his/her teaching.

## **Policies and Staff Handbook:**

- To ensure that all departmental and school policies are understood and complied with.
- To ensure that s/he has read and understands the contents of the Staff handbook and complies with all the requirements detailed in the handbook.

## **Administration:**

- To participate in administrative and organisational tasks related to the above duties.

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## Health and Safety:

- To accept responsibility for your own safety – as well as that of the pupils and colleagues with whom you work.
- To undertake Health and Safety training offered.
- To be aware of Health and Safety issues and the hazards associated with manual handling tasks, including the cumulative effect of repeated manual handling operations.
- To follow any control measures and care plans required by the generic or individual risk assessments.
- To be familiar with and use available equipment safely.
- To be aware of your own limitations and inform your employer of any circumstances that may alter your ability to perform manual handling tasks.
- To report accidents and hazards.
- To report deficiencies in the employer's Health and Safety protection arrangements.

## Working Time:

The following is extracted from the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document.

- A teacher employed full-time shall be available for work for 195 days in any school year, of which 190 days shall be days which he/she may be required to teach pupils in addition to carrying out other duties; and those 195 days will be specified by the Headteacher
- Such a teacher shall be available to perform duties at such times and such places as may be specified by the Headteacher for 1265 hours in any school year, those hours to be allocated reasonably throughout those days in the school year on which he/she is required to be available for work.
- Such a teacher shall work such additional hours as may be needed to enable him/her to discharge effectively his/her professional duties, including, in particular, the marking of pupils' work, the writing of reports on pupils and the preparation of lessons, teaching materials and teaching programmes. The amount of time required for this purpose beyond the 1265 hours and the time outside the 1265 specified hours at which duties shall be performed shall not be defined by the governors but shall depend upon the work needed to discharge the teacher's duties.

A summary of the directed time for teachers as allocated by the Headteacher is detailed in the staff handbook.

## The Working Time Regulations 1998

All teachers are subject to the EU Working Time Regulations which are described in paragraph 114 of DfEE Circular No. 12/99.

This job description sets out the key outcomes required. It does not specifically detail the activities required to achieve these outcomes. This is a new post within an expanding Trust and the nature of this new role means that there will also be additional tasks and projects identified. In consultation with you, the job description may be changed by the Headteacher to reflect or anticipate changes in the job commensurate with the grade and job title.

# Person Specification

Qualifications & Training	ESSENTIAL/ DESIRABLE
Qualified Teacher Status.	E
Degree in relevant subject	E
Experience	
Successful classroom practitioner with experience in co-educational comprehensive schools.	E
Evidence of enabling students to work to the highest standards.	E
Proven track record of successful strategies for raising achievement and sharing good practice.	D
Skills & Abilities	
Ability to communicate positively with students.	E
Ability to work supportively and collaboratively within a team.	E
Ability to reflect upon and improve your teaching practice	E
Good administrative skills.	E
Knowledge	
Detailed knowledge of the national curriculum in the relevant area.	E
Understanding of the issues surrounding the safeguarding of children and a commitment to child welfare and safety.	E
A good understanding of the importance of literacy across the curriculum.	D
A good understanding of how to plan and assess work for vulnerable groups, such as SEN pupils, pupil premium pupils and those that have high prior attainment.	D
Personal Qualities	
Enthusiasm for teaching History.	E
Commitment to extra-curricular and enrichment provisions.	E
Ability to manage own workload.	E
A commitment to continuing professional development.	E
Desire and capacity for further promotion.	D



# Working at The Eastbourne Academy

## Benefits

- Discounts with local and national retailers, cinemas and restaurants
- Teachers Pension Scheme – with a generous employer contribution
- Employee Referral Recruitment Incentive
- Access to training and development

## Well-Being

- Employee Assistance Programme – Wellbeing and advice
- Cycle to Work scheme
- On-site Parking

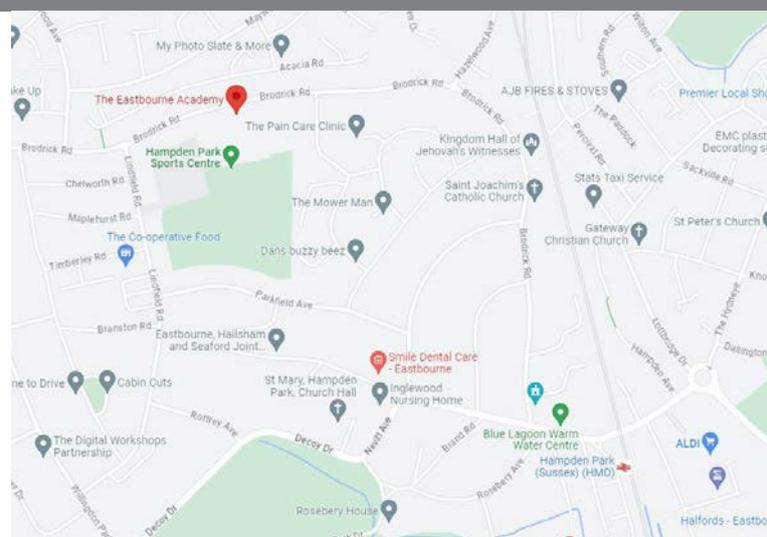
# Finding Us

**The Eastbourne Academy**  
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**Closest Train Station: Hampden Park (Sussex)**  
Approx. 18 minute walk

**Closest Bus stops:**  
Brodrick Road - 1A, Loop (3 minute walk)  
Percival Road - 8, Loop (11 minute walk)





## The Application Process

Applications will only be accepted from candidates completing the appropriate application form. All sections of the form which are applicable to you must be completed as clearly and fully as possible. The SAT Application Form can be found [here](#).

Please note CVs will not be accepted in place of a completed application form.

Application forms can be found on [swale.at](http://swale.at) website. Completed forms can be sent to [casey.rose@swale.at](mailto:casey.rose@swale.at) or by post to the following address:

Mrs Casey Rose  
The Eastbourne Academy  
Brodrick Road,  
Eastbourne,  
East Sussex  
BN22 9RQ

## The Shortlisting and Interview Process

After the closing date for this post a panel will conduct the shortlisting process. You will be selected for interview based entirely on the contents of your application form, it is therefore important that you fully read the Job Description and Person Specification prior to completing your form. The Eastbourne Academy may complete online checks of any candidates as part of the Shortlisting Process.

After the shortlisting process has been completed candidates who have been selected for interview will be informed, and provided with full details of the interview programme. If you have not heard from us within 10 working days of the closing date for this post, you have, on this occasion, unfortunately been unsuccessful.

All candidates who are invited to interview must bring the following original documents:

- Documentary evidence of right to work in the UK
- Visual identification which includes a photograph, usually a passport or driving licence
- Documentary proof of current name and address
- Where appropriate any documentation evidencing change of name
- Certificates of educational or professional qualifications that are necessary or relevant for the post

## Conditional Offer

Any offer of employment will be conditional upon a number of formalities, including, but not restricted to the following:

- Verification of right to work in the UK
- Receipt of two satisfactory references
- Verification of identity checks and qualifications
- Satisfactory enhanced DBS check, as well as additional checks that may be appropriate if you have worked or been resident overseas in the previous five years
- Satisfactory pre-employment health clearance
- A check against the Teacher Service Register for any teaching prohibition or restriction orders where you are applying for a teaching role or if you have previously held a teaching role in past employment.



## **Safeguarding**

Our Trust has robust safer recruitment procedures to help prevent unsuitable people from working with children.

All individuals working in any capacity at our Trust will be subjected to safeguarding checks in line with the statutory guidance Keeping Children Safe in Education.

## **Retention of information**

All information is stored securely and any information supplied by unsuccessful candidates will be destroyed through the confidential waste system after six months from the date of the interview, in accordance with our retention of records procedure.

## **Privacy Notice**

Please refer to the Trust's Privacy Notice for job applicants for information about how we use any personal data about them we hold.

This can be downloaded here: <https://www.swale.at/page/?title=Privacy+Notice&pid=33>

# Overview of Swale Academies Trust

Since its creation in September 2010, Swale Academies Trust has developed into one of the South East's leading Multi-Academy Trusts.

Our purpose is to develop good and outstanding schools and ensure the rapid improvement of schools with challenges.

As the Trust has grown and developed, we continue to ensure that effective school support and leadership is maintained. The Trust's approach to school improvement is based on a combination of CPD, capacity building and collaboration, with a relentless focus on teaching and pupil progress, in order to effect rapid and sustained improvements in outcomes for young people.

The Trust is an organisation which is driven by the belief that all children deserve a good quality education where they are seen as individuals and above all are exceptionally well cared for.

## Swale Academies Trust - Schools

### Primary

- Beaver Green Primary School, Ashford
- Istead Rise Primary School, Istead Rise
- James Dixon Primary School, Bromley
- Langney Primary Academy, Eastbourne
- Parkland Infant School, Eastbourne
- Parkland Junior School, Eastbourne
- Regis Manor Primary School, Sittingbourne
- Shinewater Primary School, Eastbourne
- South Borough Primary School, Maidstone
- Westlands Primary School, Sittingbourne

### Secondary

- Meopham Secondary School, Meopham
- Peacehaven Community School, Peacehaven
- The Eastbourne Academy, Eastbourne
- The Holmesdale School, Snodland
- The North School, Ashford
- The Sittingbourne School, Sittingbourne
- The Turing School, Eastbourne
- The Whitstable School, Whitstable
- Westlands Secondary School, Sittingbourne

## Central Support Services

- Human Resource Team
- Finance Team
- ICT Team
- Estate Management
- Governance and Communications



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