

HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL (CORAM HOUSE)

Ackworth School is seeking to appoint a Head for the Junior School as part of our all-through school. People with many different talents and personal attributes make excellent Heads. In the case of Coram House, it is likely the successful candidate will combine strong leadership and personal character with an active sympathy for the school's Quaker values and the optimistic, relational educational outlook they engender.

For nearly two hundred and fifty years, Ackworth School has embraced a passion for exceptional learning — open to all, free of judgement, and truly inclusive. It is a place where creativity, ethical thinking, and responsibility flourish. Students are empowered to explore their potential and develop the confidence to make a meaningful difference in the world around them.

We are excited about the opportunities of this position, providing as it does, a platform to build on excellence and grow our flagship nursery and junior provision, as well as contributing to the overall strategic leadership of the whole school. Leading our enthusiastic, skilled and professional junior school team will give you the opportunity to innovate, develop and inspire.

RSAcademics is assisting Ackworth School in the search and selection for this post. Prospective candidates should not contact the School in the first instance. Interested candidates are invited to contact RSAcademics by email to arrange a confidential discussion:

Jenny Funnell, Search Consultant
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The deadline for receipt of applications is 10.00 a.m. on Monday 3rd February 2025.

Applications should be made electronically to RSAcademics. To submit your application, please upload your documents according to the instructions on the RSAcademics website.

You should submit the following (both in PDF format):

- A completed application form (available alongside this candidate information on the RSAcademics' website).
- A covering letter addressed to Martyn Beer, Head of Ackworth School. In the letter, you should address the requirements of the role and draw on the relevance of your experience and skills to illustrate your suitability, paying particular attention to the person specification and overall job description.

If you have any questions about uploading your application documents, please contact Laura Beacon, Project Co-ordinator at applications@rsacademics.com

Laura can also be reached by calling the Head Office on +44 (0) 1858 383163.

The process is as follows:

- All applications will be acknowledged by email.

If you have not received acknowledgement that your application has been received within two working days of sending it, please contact RSAcademics by telephone.

- Preliminary Interviews for selected candidates are planned to take place with RSAcademics via Teams, by appointment, on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th February 2025.

- First round interviews with members of the panel are planned to take place at the school on Friday 14th February 2025. The day will include an interview plus various other activities, to be confirmed.

Candidates will be reminded to bring with them their documents for a Safeguarding check and the originals of their academic qualification certificates.

Second round interviews are planned to take place on Thursday 27th February 2025.

Applicants should read carefully the Recruitment, Selection and Disclosure Policy. Our recruitment privacy notice is also available on our website under "Working for Us".

Ackworth School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and all applicants will undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and an enhanced DBS and Barred list check with Disclosure and Barring Service. Applicants should also be in sympathy with the School's Quaker ethos.