

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST (SaLT)

We are seeking to appoint a Speech and Language Therapist to join our Learning Development Centre (LDC), supporting pupils with speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) and associated SEND. This is an exciting opportunity to play a key role in helping pupils access learning, develop communication skills and make measurable progress.

Ackworth School, a co-educational boarding and day school, was founded in 1779 by the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). It maintains its ethos and traditions and is still governed by the Society. The school is academically non-selective and provides an excellent range of facilities and co-curricular opportunities, recently achieving fantastic feedback in the ISI inspection (January 2026). The Head is a member of both HMC and the Society of Heads.

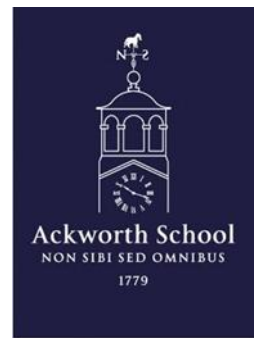
As a non-selective school, we offer a broad education that supports all abilities. Our small class sizes mean that our teachers can dedicate more time to deliver a rich curriculum, allowing all pupils to make progress. Our pupils are one of Ackworth's USP's. Visitors to the school never fail to acknowledge how amazing they are and how positive the encounter is. This is something that makes a career at Ackworth such a rewarding one.

The Learning Development Centre delivers targeted, specialist interventions for students with identified needs, including Speech and Language Therapy, Dyslexia support, Emotional Literacy Support (ELSA), Literacy tutoring and Study Skills development. Pupils are supported through personalised provision pathways, working in small groups with experienced staff who build strong relationships and support individual progression.

Working closely with the SENDCo and wider staff, the Speech and Language Therapist will assess, plan and deliver high-quality therapy, both directly and indirectly. The role includes individual and small-group interventions, in-class support, and the development of programmes for staff to implement. You will also contribute to multi-disciplinary working, staff training, and whole-school approaches to communication-friendly practice.

You will play an important role in monitoring pupil progress, producing reports for Annual Reviews, and maintaining regular communication with families to support learning beyond the school environment. The role requires a flexible, child-centred approach and the ability to collaborate effectively with teaching staff to embed communication strategies across the curriculum.

The successful candidate will hold a recognised degree in Speech and Language Therapy and be registered with the HCPC, with membership of the RCSLT. Experience of working with pupils with SLCN in educational or SEND settings is essential, along with strong communication, organisational and interpersonal skills. Experience in specialist or



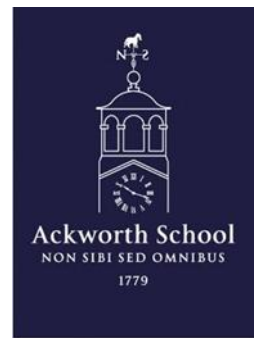
independent school settings, and additional training in areas such as AAC, sensory integration or social communication, would be advantageous.

As a relatively small school, around 430 pupils in total, we enable pupils and staff to immediately become part of our community and we hope that, if this role is something that resonates with your skills and values, you will become a key part of the Ackworth School community.

The salary for this role is £27,000 - £40,000 (FTE) dependent on experience and qualifications. The working pattern is Monday to Friday, term time only (34 weeks per year).

In return we offer:

- a generous fee remission of 50% for the children of our staff.
- all food and refreshments during the working day.
- free on-site parking.
- flexible pension and wellbeing benefits.
- 34 working weeks
- a supportive and friendly environment based on the Quaker ethos of the school.
- a beautiful working location in an ideal location within easy travelling distance of the main centres of Sheffield, Leeds, Doncaster and York.



Completed school application forms should be submitted with a cover letter of no more than one page and should be sent by email to: jobs@ackworthschool.com

Closing Date: Friday 15 May at 9:00 a.m.

Interviews will be held w/c 18 May. We reserve the right to see candidates prior to the closing date so early application is recommended.

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

For an informal and confidential discussion, please contact Ellie Spendlove on 01977 233600 or ellie.spendlove@ackworthschool.com