

TEACHER OF DESIGN TECHNOLOGY DARTON ACADEMY, BARNSELEY

Darton Academy are looking to appoint a Teacher of Design Technology to join our academy in September 2024 on a full time, permanent basis. This role presents a wonderful opportunity for any candidate who wishes to take their career to the next level. You will join a talented team and also benefit from all the advantages of working for a multi academy trust. In the summer of 2023 our results were considerably above national average with Progress 8 score of 0.38 overall. If you love your subject and are passionate about developing pedagogy and practice, then this is the job for you.

The Design and Technology Department consists of three disciplines: Textiles, Workshop and Food. We are a small team of dedicated hard-working staff, who are passionate about raising the profile of design and making whilst building confidence, resilience and engagement in young people. Design and technology offers well-subscribed options at GCSE and for the right candidate, this will be an excellent chance to grow and develop a popular subject area and create tailored enrichment, whilst working within a supportive team. We have made recent amendments to our KS4 options for 2026 and will be offering 3D Product design (AQA Art & Design specification). As such, we are particularly interested in applications from teachers with experience in delivering KS3 and KS4 product design specifications or with experience in similar disciplines.

Salary: MPR / UPR (£28,000 to £43,685)

Darton Academy is an exciting place to learn and as soon as you enter the building you can feel a buzz of enthusiasm. There is a sense of purpose, and the academy is calm and orderly, with state of the art facilities. We are a close knit community, and we pride ourselves on knowing our pupils well and doing our utmost to ensure everyone fulfils their true potential.

We aim to ensure that our pupils can learn in a safe and supportive environment, where everyone values academic achievement and has a positive attitude to learning. As a result of our journey of continuous improvement, our pupils secured an amazing set of exam results in the summer of 2023, with 55% of pupils achieving a grade 5 or higher in maths and English, and 75% achieving a grade 4 or higher. We continue to go from strength to strength and our unvalidated progress 8 score is 0.38 which far exceeds expectations for pupils of similar ability nationally. Darton Academy is yet again one of the highest performing schools in Barnsley. In February 2023 Ofsted graded us Good with an outstanding personal development offer.

We strongly encourage our pupils to take part in enrichment activities so they can discover all their strengths and talents, and run over forty clubs, as well as pupil support sessions and interventions. We also regularly organise whole school events and educational visits so that our pupils have a broad experience of learning beyond the classroom.

We believe in rewarding pupils for good behaviour, attendance and achievement and run a number of celebration events throughout the year, from "Super September" to our summer "DartFest". We place learning at the heart of everything we do and use our core values of respect, responsibility, and resilience to build a positive ethos.

Ultimately, we understand that our pupils are most successful when they feel happy, valued, challenged, and supported to achieve their very best. We believe this also applies to our staff. We are passionate about giving people the chance to develop and progress their careers, and also offer an extensive range of opportunities, incentives and benefits including:

Financial, offering **unlimited** access to a huge range of **discounts** on holidays, days out, retailer and cashback deals inc. Curry's, John Lewis, Tesco and B&Q to name but a few.

Lifestyle and Wellbeing, discounted & flexible **gym** memberships, eye care vouchers, cycle 2 work/**Technology scheme**, **free annual flu jab** and 24/7 access to a market leading Employee Assistance Programme providing expert information specialist advisors trained by Citizens Advice and access to professionally qualified counsellors accredited by the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy.

Motoring, access to an employee vehicle leasing scheme*, **discounted vehicle repairs** and discounts on car/van hire.

Pension, **excellent** employer/employee contributory pension scheme with the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS)

Personal and professional, we offer a range of training and development opportunities for you to grow and develop.

**Subject to ensuring NMW is maintained.*

For more information and to apply for this position please visit our website at [Careers with Delta • Delta Academies Trust \(deltatrust.org.uk\)](https://www.deltatrust.org.uk)

Closing date: 8 April 2024

In accordance with DfE Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022, an online search will be completed on all shortlisted applicants prior to interview. Any relevant information will be discussed further with the applicant during the recruitment process.

The Trust is committed to safeguarding the welfare of its students and the successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service certificate and checks of the relevant barred list / prohibition lists.

We are proud to be a Disability Confident employer and guarantee an interview to anyone disclosing a disability whose application meets the minimum criteria for the post. However, it is important to note that if we receive a high volume of applications, we may limit the numbers of interviews offered to both disabled people and non-disabled people.

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