## **LEARNING MENTOR**

## > Person specification

| CRITERIA                    | QUALITIES   |
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| Qualifications and training | GCSE or equivalent level, including at least a grade C in English and maths   |
| Experience                  | Experience of working with children of a relevant age, dealing with mental health and wellbeing challenges  |
|                             | Experience of working with outside agencies and participating in meetings   |
|                             | Experience of assessing the needs of others   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Experience of delivering training courses and briefing sessions on mental health and<br/>wellbeing</li> </ul>  |
|                             | <ul> <li>Experience of delivering programmes for pupils with mental health and wellbeing<br/>challenges, including 1-to-1, small group and whole-class activities</li> </ul>  |
|                             | Experience of coaching and advising others on suitable interventions  |
|                             | Experience of working closely with families/carers  |
| Skills and knowledge        | <ul> <li>Strong listening skills and proven ability to deal with sensitive situations with integrity</li> <li>Proven ability to communicate effectively with adults and children, including through written and verbal communication</li> </ul> |
|                             | Proven ability to create good relationships with pupils, staff and parents  |
|                             | <ul> <li>A well-developed understanding of strategies to manage and support young people<br/>and adults with mental health and wellbeing challenges in a school environment</li> </ul>  |
|                             | Proven ability to tailor interventions to individuals' needs  |
|                             | <ul> <li>Knowledge and understanding of the triggers that can lead to poor mental health and<br/>wellbeing</li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Ability to review policies and procedures</li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Excellent understanding of safeguarding policies and procedures and their role in<br/>child protection</li> </ul>  |
|                             | Proven ability to be flexible to changing workload demands and new challenges   |
|                             | Ability to use IT systems and to conduct analysis and produce reports   |
| Personal                    | Willingness to provide the best possible opportunities for all pupils   |
| qualities                   | Well-developed sense of empathy   |
|                             | Organised, proactive and self-motivated   |
|                             | Good time management skills   |
|                             | Commitment to upholding and promoting the ethos and values of the school  |
|                             | Ability to work under pressure and prioritise effectively   |
|                             | Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times  |
|                             | Committed to safeguarding, equality, diversity and inclusion  |

## Notes:

| This job description may be amended at any time | in consultation with the postholder. |
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| Last review date:                               |                                      |
| Next review date:                               |                                      |
| Headteacher/line manager's signature:           |                                      |
| Date:   |                                      |
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| Postholder's signature:                         |                                      |
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