**Post:** Marketing Manager

**Responsible to:** Head of the School and Director of Marketing, the Cothill Trust. The post holder will work closely with Admissions.

**Job purpose:** Marketing of the school including raising numbers on roll and raising the profile of the School.

**Key Responsibilities:**

1. **Strategy and Planning**

* Produce, develop and deliver the annual marketing strategy and budget in conjunction with the Head and Director of Marketing
* Submit termly reports on activity and expenditure to the Head and Director of Marketing
* Promote and monitor the use of the School’s brand
* Lead and develop a whole-school communications programme to ensure highly effective communication with pupils and families
* Undertake research to inform future marketing strategy
* Identify and develop new ways to attract and recruit pupils.

1. **Public Relations**

* Develop and lead a positive public relations strategy. This includes writing weekly news stories (promoting the work and successes of our pupils, staff and the school)
* Update, develop and coordinate the school’s use of social media and digital marketing
* Develop strong relationships with local/regional/national journalists and with key influencers (e.g. IAPS, Good Schools Guide and Tatler)
* Promote the School externally, attending events such as schools and other exhibitions, networking events etc.
* Leverage all media coverage, where possible, by communicating widely to all stakeholders
* Archive all media coverage

1. **Marketing**

* Create, develop and deliver effective advertising campaigns
* Develop, lead and deliver a pro-active online presence – including the website and all social media
* Work closely with staff to coordinate the marketing of events e.g. open mornings
* Organise, produce and update the School’s marketing materials such as prospectuses and newsletters
* Support, where needed, with mail shots and email campaigns for admissions events
* Analyse the enquiry and admissions figures, to use in the development of all marketing activities.

**4. General**

* Liaise with the marketing and admissions teams across the Cothill Trust to share best practice and contribute to the Trust marketing strategy
* Support teaching and non-teaching staff in their roles as marketeers of the School
* Uphold and enforce School rules and work in cooperation with colleagues to promote the high standards of behaviour and concern for others
* Attend INSET sessions and other such meetings as may be necessary
* Be fully aware of and implement the School’s policy on Health and Safety
* Adhere to School guidelines for the safeguarding of children
* Develop and maintain excellent working relationships with children, staff and parents
* Undertake administrative duties in the main School office as necessary
* Undertake any other duties, which the Head or Director of Marketing may reasonably request.

**Duties**The following job description covers the principal tasks required for the Marketing Manager. It is not necessarily a complete list of everything required for the full professional discharge of duties. The duties outlined in this job description may be modified with your agreement, to reflect or anticipate changes in the job.

**Person Specification**

The School is looking to appoint a person with PR and marketing experience who would relish the opportunity to play a significant part in the future success of this highly regarded independent Prep School.

**Criteria**

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| **Essential** | **Desirable** |
|  | Educated to degree level or equivalent |
|  | A marketing qualification |
| A sound knowledge of marketing practices and principles |  |
|  | An understanding of the motivations, attitudes and aspirations of parents, children and other stakeholders interested in independent school day and boarding education |
| Empathy with the ethos and aims of the independent school sector and of Ashdown House in particular |  |
| Excellent communication and presentation skills, both verbal and written |  |
| Strong attention to detail, particularly copywriting and proofreading |  |
| The ability to work as part of a team and sometimes under pressure |  |
| Exceptional people skills, self-motivation and the ability to relate quickly and easily with pupils, parents and staff |  |
| Excellent organisational skills |  |
| The ability to build strong working relationships with teaching and support staff |  |
| A sense of initiative, creativity and a sense of humour and a calm and unflappable manner |  |

**Salary, Hours and Benefits**

This is a part time role, 20 - 24 hours per week, ideally spread over a minimum of 4 days. The role is mainly term time only with 2 working weeks in the holidays.

The post will attract a salary equivalent to a full time salary of between £28,000 and £35,000, depending on experience (which would then be pro rata for the number of hours and weeks worked).

A free staff lunch is provided during term time.

Start date – start of summer term

**How to apply**

Please send a completed application form with a covering letter addressed to Jo Fitzroy-Ezzy, Director of Marketing, Cothill Trust to jfitzroyezzy@cothilltrust.org by Monday 4 March 9am. Interviews will be held on Friday 8 March.