Dear Principal,

Since 2015, I have taught Art, Craft, Design, Art History and SPHE to students of many backgrounds and abilities. In my most recent position at Bremore Educate Together, in addition to teaching Art to Leaving and Junior Certificate students, I have also carried out the responsibilities of the Head of Art Department and Subject Coordinator. One of my biggest achievements while working there for three years was being selected from other Art Teachers in the country for the Teacher Capacity Award, awarded by the WorldWise Global Schools to recognise the Best Teacher Practice and Engagement.

As a multidisciplinary artist, working with a range of media I am enthusiastic about making learning more immersive through collaborating with local communities on projects that are meaningful to students. I have organised Art Exhibitions and projects to support charities such as Action Aid Ireland, Aster Family Centre or Meals on Wheels. To encourage my students to see the value in their work, I have setup an Etsy Shop to sell their artworks throughout the year with all proceeds being donated to their chosen charity. For some of these projects, I have successfully applied for grant funding from Creative Ireland or through the Creative Engagement initiative.

During my work as an Art teacher, I have also organised several extra-curricular activities for my students such as Career Evenings, Creative Workshops, Exhibitions, Art Sales, or Art Clubs. I have also been involved in school musical while I mentored a group of students from different year groups to design a range of props. In my teaching, I have always focused on making learning more inclusive through attending a range of workshops and training sessions in relation to teaching students with different learning difficulties.

I hope that the experience I have and passion for student centred teaching would be an asset to your school. I would love to be considered for the position and I hope to have an opportunity to meet you in person to discuss it in more detail.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration.

Agnieszka McConway