

HMC Co-educational Boarding and Day 11 - 18

Teacher of Science

Full-time or Part-time To start September 2024

This post offers the opportunity to teach and contribute as part of a large and important department at Wrekin which produces excellent results in public examinations.

The Science Department

We are looking for a well-qualified and enthusiastic teacher with a passion for Science. The successful candidate will be an inspirational subject teacher with initiative, good communication skills and a willingness to contribute as part of an outstanding Science team. They will ensure their classes achieve excellent academic results as well as engaging and motivating learners by their love of their subject. The appointee will be able to teach Science to the full range of abilities at Key Stage 3 and GCSE. A Chemistry specialist and experience of teaching A Level are preferred but these are by no means prerequisites for this role. The successful applicant will be fully supported in teaching material with which they may be less familiar. Proper consideration will be given to applicants who are new to the profession as well as to more experienced teachers. Applicants are invited to indicate whether they would prefer a full or a part-time role.

The Science team currently comprises ten full and part-time teaching members of staff along with three technicians. There are eight dedicated science laboratories giving most members of the department their own room in which to teach. The department currently offers AQA 9-1 GCSE courses; some pupils take three individual science GCSE qualifications whilst others follow the Trilogy (Combined Sciences) course. At A Level, we follow the OCR A specification in Physics and Chemistry and the Edexcel Salters (Nuffield) course in Biology.

Regular clinics are offered to give extra support to pupils who require it; some of these are run on Saturday mornings as part of our voluntary activities programme. There is also scope for extending the skills and understanding of Gifted and Talented pupils via a regular programme of lectures and competitions. A willingness to be involved beyond day-to-day teaching would be welcome.

The school has campus-wide Wi-Fi. All teaching staff are issued with MS Surface Pro devices to use for teaching, learning and administrative purposes. All pupils are required to rent a school-managed laptop via a third-party company. All pupils and staff are provided with Wrekin Google email addresses and good use is made of the suite of accompanying applications for teaching, learning and communication.

Pastoral Responsibilities

Wrekin College has an enviable reputation for pastoral care and all members of staff play a part in this aspect of school life. The successful candidate will act as tutor to a group of approximately

fifteen pupils for whom they will have special responsibility and will work with their tutees' Housemaster or Housemistress to supervise the academic and personal development of this group of pupils. They will also play a role in supporting the Housemaster or Housemistress in running the House. The boarding community is an important part of Wrekin and a willingness to contribute to the boarding side of the school through evening duties is expected.

Co-Curricular Activities

Games and other co-curricular activities are a major part of life at Wrekin and the successful candidate will be expected to be involved in some capacity in these areas. Candidates with relevant skills or interests - whether enthusiasm for coaching a major or minor sport, an interest in set design, experience of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme or another activity which could enrich school life - are warmly encouraged to mention them in their application.

Salary

Wrekin College has its own salary scale. The successful candidate will be paid at a level commensurate with his or her qualifications and experience.

Accommodation

The school has a number of residential properties on site and may be able to offer accommodation to the successful applicant.

Applications

An application form, along with curriculum vitae and letter of application, should arrive no later than Friday 10th May and be sent to: https://hr@wrekincollege.com (or by post to: The Headmaster, Wrekin College, Wellington, Shropshire TF1 3BH). Early applications are encouraged and the college reserves the right to interview and to make an appointment in advance of the advertised deadline.

Wrekin College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. The successful applicant will be subject to a criminal records check. Candidates are requested to provide proof of qualifications and identity when attending for interview. Where possible, the proof of identity should include two of the following documents: passport, birth certificate or driving licence, plus a document detailing National Insurance number and proof of residential address. Further evidence may be requested from the person appointed to enable the school to carry out the necessary criminal background check.

If you submit an application but are not called for interview by Friday 17th May, please assume that your application has been unsuccessful.

Toby Spence, Headmaster