



Shrewsbury School

Headmaster: Mark Turner M.A.

TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY – FURTHER INFORMATION

Shrewsbury School, founded in 1552, stands on an extensive site in the Kingsland district of Shrewsbury, looking over the River Severn to the old part of the town. There are currently 795 pupils in the School, of whom 80% are boarders. The majority of pupils are still boys, but September 2008 saw the introduction of co-education in the Sixth Form, and in September 2014 the school moved to full co-education, with currently 30% of all pupils being girls. Further details of the school can be found on the website (www.shrewsbury.org.uk).

There is a vacancy for a well-qualified full-time teacher of Geography from September 2018. The successful candidate will be an excellent teacher at all levels – particularly at Sixth Form level, and will have the energy and enthusiasm for the subject to help maintain the strong tradition of Geography within the School.

Teaching is shared by 6 Geographers, all of whom are fully committed to the life of a boarding School. The Geography Faculty has five well-equipped classrooms in the new Hodgson Hall Faculty Building and there is also a shared staff workspace. The Faculty is a strong one academically, with aspirations to improve further.

The pupils are setted on ability for the Third Form year (Year 9), and each of the six sets follows the same scheme of work, although teachers are encouraged to extend this with their own interests. At the end of the Third Form, pupils are offered the choice of whether to study CIE IGCSE Geography. Traditionally around 70-90 students choose this option. After this, 35-40 students study Geography in each year in the Sixth Form where we follow the CIE Pre-U Geography course. Students often choose to study the subject at University, often applying to Oxford or Cambridge - additional preparation is provided through regular Oxbridge classes.

There are regular Geography lectures given by visiting speakers to the Shropshire Branch of the Geographical Association with a regular attendance of about 150 people.

A full induction programme is provided for all new members of staff with further support for those new to the teaching profession. For NQTs the School offers the IST Induction Programme and covers the cost of registration.

In addition to their academic duties, candidates will be expected to contribute fully to the thriving co-curricular and pastoral life of the School. Shrewsbury School may be able to provide accommodation and has its own salary scale.

Completed application forms, together with a covering letter, should be sent to The Headmaster, The Schools, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 7BA by **5pm on Wednesday 22nd November 2017**. Alternatively, please email applications and letters to **vacancy@shrewsbury.org.uk**. Interviews will be held in w/c 26th November. Enquiries regarding the position should be addressed to **vacancy@shrewsbury.org.uk**.

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