

Northcote Lodge – Teacher of Latin

A vacancy exists at Northcote Lodge for a **Head of Latin** to start in September 2018.

This post is for a teacher of Latin who will teach Years 6, 7 and 8. The majority boys study Latin from Year 6. Results in Common Entrance exams have been consistently good for many years. Boys begin Latin in Year 6 following CLC and then move on to follow the ISEB CE Latin syllabus drawing upon the 'Latin Practice Exercises' series of textbooks which were written by Bob Bass (published by Galore Park) specifically for the syllabus for Common Entrance exams for entry into senior schools at 13+. Candidates may wish to familiarise themselves with the ISEB syllabus which can be found on their website: www.iseb.co.uk. The successful applicant will assume responsibility for the department, with autonomy over the Latin curriculum in this well resourced department.

Experience of Common Entrance and Public School scholarship exams would be an advantage but not essential. Applicants should also be at ease with using ICT as part of the Latin curriculum and should be enthusiastic about the teaching possibilities of interactive whiteboards and iPads.

Northcote Lodge prides itself on offering the ethos and benefits of a country prep school education, but within a day school framework in SW London.

Job Purpose

- To teach, assess and support the learning of Latin to boys from Year 6, inspiring an interest in the subject and laying the foundation for future studies.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities

- Communicate an enthusiasm for the subject being taught to the boys
- Meet with the Director of Studies to review and contribute positively to discussions on the Latin curriculum, delivery and continuity of teaching throughout the school
- Plan, prepare and deliver excellent lessons using a wide range of resources following the programmes of study
- Keep abreast of all curriculum developments and maintain a thorough understanding of current theory and practice in each subject area
- Develop a thorough understanding of the academic demands of Common Entrance and Scholarship examinations, where appropriate
- Ensure appropriate differentiation is provided for the boys to accommodate their needs and facilitate progress
- Ensure all boys are making good progress; to identify those who are not, and put in reasonable support for them
- Assess progress and keep a record of assessment in order to make an informed judgement for regular assessment grades
- Meet parents at Parent/Teacher meetings and respond promptly to parental queries
- Ensure reports are written for each boy as appropriate
- To adhere to all school policies
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Qualities we are looking for:

- Good classroom management and general organisation
- Enthusiasm and commitment to education
- A sense of humour

- Resourcefulness, flexibility and the willingness to work as part of a team
- A good manner with parents
- A desire to play a full part in the life of the school

Knowledge, skills and experience

Essential

- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Commitment and passion for teaching

Desirable

- Recognised teaching qualification
- Teaching at Common Entrance level

Salary & Benefits

We offer a competitive salary dependant on experience. The School has its own pay scale which is well above the maintained sector. The contractual hours of work are Monday to Friday 8.00am to 5.30pm term time only, although staff will be expected to work occasional extra days and evenings.

How to apply

A letter of application and a full CV including the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees should be sent to:

The Headmaster, Northcote Lodge, 26 Bolingbroke Grove, London SW11 6EL or emailed to the Headmaster's PA, Mrs Kay Taylor on k.Taylor@northwoodschoools.com

Closing date for applications is 1 March 2018. Interviews are scheduled to take place between 14 – 16 March 2018.

Northcote Lodge is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people. The successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.