November 2017

Dear Applicant

Re: Application for the post of Science Teacher (Maternity Cover)

Thank you for your interest in this position. You will find attachments and relevant information pertaining to the post within the application pack.

Brockington College is a highly successful 11-16 school with 1,290 pupils currently on roll, however pupil numbers will eventually settle at 1,250 pupils, as our larger cohorts move through the school. We converted from an 11-14 high school to an 11-16 school in September 2015 and our first cohort of Year 11 pupils took their GCSE examinations in May and June 2017. Pupils attending the school live in the catchment villages of Enderby, Narborough, Huncote, Thurlaston and Croft, and the school is a popular choice for pupils from a wide out of catchment area from Leicester City to the north and Stoney Stanton to the south.

Our first set of GCSE results in 2017 were extremely gratifying and reflected all of the hard work put in by members of staff and pupils at Brockington College. Three pupils gained a grade 9 in each of English language, English literature and maths, therefore putting each of them in the top 0.004% of the country! 43% of pupils gained at least one A/A* grade; 67% of pupils gained 5 or more GCSE grades at A*-C including English and maths; 79% of pupils gained at least a standard pass in one English GCSE; 74% of pupils gained at least a standard pass in maths GCSE and 75% of pupils gained at least a C grade in at least two science GCSEs.

However, we have far more to offer our pupils than academic achievement alone. Our Church of England Academy Status is central to the life of the college and, although we have pupils from a variety of faith backgrounds, the strong Christian ethos of the college is the firm foundation for all that we do. The ethos runs so strongly through college life that it was graded as outstanding in our latest Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools in December 2015, as well as by Ofsted. Consequently, in order to help pupils '*learn to live life to the full'*, we place strong emphasis upon respect and tolerance for one another; provide a vast range of social and academic support for pupils; have an enrichment programme of clubs and trips that is second to none, along with a team of staff committed to facilitate these aims.

Added to this, we are fortunate to have the benefit of a school building that is only 9 years old. Consequently, our facilities are 'state-of-the-art' and make a strong contribution to teaching standards and to pupil and staff well-being. These facilities were further enhanced in September 2015 with the addition of a new suite of 18 classrooms and offices to accommodate the increase in our pupil numbers. The building also hosts a full adult learning programme in the evening, daily lettings of sport and other facilities, lettings to the public for weddings and other events as well as being used by a variety of community users during the daytime. We revel in this opportunity to be at the centre of our community and to model our commitment to the Christian ethos and learning to live life to the full.

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We are looking to recruit a teacher of science to join our large science department, to cover a period of maternity leave, which will commence on 8 January 2018.

I hope that you are motivated by the possibility of joining us at such an exciting time in education, both nationally and at Brockington. If you wish to join us, you will need to be visionary, positive, reflective, resilient, hard-working and effective, committed to our ethos and have a good sense of humour!

If you are encouraged to submit an application, please also provide a letter of application outlining your skills, abilities and experience that make you a suitable candidate for this position. The letter should be no longer in length than two sides of A4 word-processed text (font size 11 minimum).

I look forward to receiving your completed application, but in the meantime you may wish to view our college website at www.brockington.leics.sch.uk to find out more about the college. You are also very welcome to contact the college, should you wish to discuss the position or arrange a visit. Please ask to speak to Mrs Louise Nixon, Principal's PA.

The closing date for applications is Monday 27 November 2017 at 9.00 am and, although they can be posted, we prefer to receive applications by email to recruitment@brockington.leics.sch.uk. Interviews will take place during the week commencing Monday 27 November 2017, with shortlisted candidates being informed by e-mail.

The college is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure.

Please accept my apologies at this point, if you do not receive a reply to your application. We will contact only those applicants that are invited to the interview stage, due to the amount of applications that we usually receive.

Yours sincerely

Mr Chris Southall
Principal