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Cumnor House Sussex

Independent Prep, Pre-Prep and Nursery

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# The post of Science Teacher

**The Role**

As a teacher in the Prep School you will be expected to be a Science graduate, who is knowledgeable, excited about science, and able to inspire and enthuse young, enquiring minds.

## The Department

Science is a crucially important subject, and one held in high esteem at Cumnor. The standard of teaching is very high in the department, and we are lucky enough to have a dedicated technician and a superb prep room in the new STEM building, which is named after Tim Peake.

## Teaching

The successful candidate will be expected to fulfil the duties and responsibilities of a teacher at Cumnor House Sussex, (see Responsibilities of a Teacher) and, in addition, the following tasks:

* Plan and prepare Science lessons as agreed by the Head of Science;
* Discuss practical sessions and request resources from the Science technician
* Ensure the safe working of students in the laboratory by providing clear instructions and rules of usage
* Participate in regular departmental meetings as required by the Head of Science;
* Attend outside courses, as approved by the Head of Science, to refresh and enhance your teaching of Science, including Cleapss training;
* Advise and co-operate with the Head of Science and other colleagues on the preparation and development of teaching programmes and materials, methods of teaching and
* Maintain good order and discipline among the children and safeguard their health and safety in accordance with the school’s policy, on school premises and when on authorised activities elsewhere;
* Be knowledgeable of Cleapss safe laboratory practice, providing clear guidelines to pupils
* Closely supervise pupils during practical sessions in particular;
* Maintain condition of all equipment and facilities, alerting the lab technician, office (for photocopiers) or Bursar as appropriate, when attention is necessary.

**Person Specification**

* This position is an ideal opportunity for a graduate with a good degree in Science, dedicated to the idea of teaching, and committed to undertaking a PGCE.
* You should have a buoyant and enthusiastic personality, with resourcefulness and imagination aplenty.
* You should also be well organised, independent and self-motivated – teaching has no room for complacency.
* An affinity for working as part of a team is essential, along with a sense of humour and a positive outlook on life as a whole

**Safeguarding**

All staff members have a responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children at the school, in compliance with the school’s Safeguarding policies. We provide a caring, positive, safe and stimulating environment that puts the social, physical and moral development of children first. Any concerns are reported to the school’s DSL, the Headmaster, and relevant agencies where appropriate. This appointment will be subject to a prohibition from teaching check, an enhanced DBs check, and a safeguarding interview, in addition to other pre-employment matters. Cumnor House is an equal opportunities employer.

**Application**

Applicants must complete the application form and return it to [tmockridge@cumnor.co.uk](mailto:tmockridge@cumnor.co.uk)

Or post it to: Teresa Mockridge, Cumnor House School, Danehill, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 7HT.

Please note that applications will be considered as they arrive, and Cumnor House reserves the right to make an appointment before the expiry date of any advertisement.

**Benefits**

Benefits, other than a good starting salary, may include:

* Support through PGCE qualification
* NQT induction
* Free school meals during term time
* ‘Cycle to work’ scheme
* Teachers’ Pension scheme
* Temporary accommodation assistance (assessed on an individual basis)