

# Appointment of English Teacher



#### The Role

St. Teresa's seeks to appoint an English teacher from September 2018. This is an exciting opportunity for someone to join a highly successful department and will be ideally suited to a teacher looking for their second post, returning to teaching or a more experienced colleague wishing to widen his or her experience.

#### The School

St Teresa's has a school population of 640 including over 80 boarders, and a healthy Sixth Form. The school has its own Preparatory School and Pre-prep. The school sits in 55 acres of beautiful countryside and the school

It benefits from excellent facilities. In recent years the school has carried out a significant development programme and further exciting projects are in the pipeline.

St Teresa's offers a strong, caring community based on its Catholic traditions, but remains an inclusive environment that welcomes pupils from all backgrounds. With recognised strengths spanning academia, sport and the creative and performing arts, we focus on the individual, allowing the girls to achieve their best and enabling them to follow their own unique path to happiness and success.

### Location

St Teresa's stands in grounds of 55 acres in an area of outstanding natural beauty between Dorking and Effingham in Surrey. There is easy access to London by road or rail; both Gatwick and Heathrow are within 45 minutes' drive.

# **Facilities**

The School is centred around the original nineteenth century manor house and has evolved over the years and now proudly boasts some outstanding facilities.

A number of new facilities have been provided to meet the needs of a modern education. These include a brand new Equestrian Centre, Tennis Academy, a Performing Arts Centre comprising a large theatre, drama studios, music classrooms, practice rooms and recording suite. In addition, St Teresa's boasts a swimming pool and an all-weather pitch.

Exciting new plans for the next phase of development have recently commenced with the building of a Sixth Form centre.

# The English Department

The English department currently consists of six teachers.

The department is well-equipped and situated in the newly renovated John Bosco House.

Girls study combined English Language and English Literature in Years 7-9. They have four one hour lessons each week. Every year girls are introduced to a variety of prose, poetry, drama and media texts which they will find challenging and interesting. Emphasis is placed

on pupils developing a lively interest in reading, literature and creative writing. Classes are taught in mixed ability groups.

At GCSE we follow the AQA syllabus and almost all pupils sit GCSE English Language and GCSE English Literature. Classes continue to be taught, for most of the course, in mixed ability groups across four one hour lessons. English Literature is a popular A Level choice and we usually have two groups; we follow the AQA (A) specification. Each A level group is taught by two teachers across five one hour lessons.

Many extra-curricular activities are run by the department some of which include: debating, reading club, master classes, SPaG club, theatre trips. Responsibility for these is shared within the department.

# Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- To contribute to the teaching of English throughout the school up to KS4;
- To participate in the development of appropriate syllabuses, materials and schemes of work and constantly develop students to achieve their goals and maintain their safety and welfare at all times;
- To attend weekly departmental meetings and contribute actively;
- To work closely with colleagues to maximise success of the Department;

# The Appointment

The remuneration paid to the person appointed will be commensurate with the importance of the post and with the experience and qualities of that person. The successful applicant will be eligible for fee discounts for any daughters attending the School. As part of St. Teresa's commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, any offer of employment to this post will be subject to receipt of a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service check, along with qualifications, satisfactory references and a satisfactory response to a Health Questionnaire.

Please complete the Application Form in full accompanied with your letter of application and CV.

The letter should indicate your suitability for the post and your motivation for submitting the application. Further information including examination results and the Independent Schools' Inspection Report can be found on the School's website <a href="https://www.st-teresas.com">www.st-teresas.com</a>

Please note: Closing date for applications is Monday 16 April 2018.

# Applications should be sent to:

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St Teresa's reserve the right to interview at any stage of the selection process.