Hutchesons' Grammar School



Appointment of Head of Classics

The Aims of the School

Hutchesons' Grammar School aims to provide boys and girls with a broad Scottish education, with the emphasis on academic excellence.

Founded in 1641, Hutchesons' is a famous school which has always been at the forefront of teaching and learning in Scotland. Nowadays, it is a large and dynamic school of great vitality and diversity, where around 1250 pupils from primary one right through to sixth year follow a broad curriculum, blending the traditional and the modern. Excellent teachers are one of Hutchesons' greatest strengths, along with the resources, training and support they need to do their job to the highest possible standards.

Hutchesons' pupils excel in a wide variety of sports both nationally and internationally, and the quality of performance in music, drama and the arts is equally high. All pupils can follow a structured programme in and out of the classroom which broadens their outlook and helps them develop their interests and enthusiasms. There are many opportunities for involvement in clubs and societies, community work and charity fund-raising, visits and tours both within the UK and abroad, and for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

As individuals, Hutchesons' pupils are encouraged to develop confidence, self-discipline, integrity, courtesy and consideration for others. They are part of a large community of learners, where every individual is important. They learn to be thoughtful, articulate and well-read and to have a clear idea about how they want to live their lives beyond school and university.

Scots have always valued education very highly, and for over three centuries Hutchesons' has sent young men and women out into the world secure in the knowledge that they are part of that tradition.

The Department

The Department of Classics has three full-time teachers, and one part time member of staff.

All pupils in the first two years of Senior school are introduced to Latin, and are taught in small classes, using the Cambridge Latin Course and its associated resources. In S3, they may elect to continue in Latin and begin Classical Greek. Each year, about 25 pupils continue with Latin, and are presented for SQA National 5 examinations at the end of S4.

Latin, Greek and Classical Studies are offered in S5, and these subjects may be continued up to S6 at either SQA Advanced Higher or OCR A-level. The quality of our pupils is exceptional, and Classical subjects are pursued by some of Hutchesons' brightest and most academically ambitious pupils. The curriculum, SQA or GCSE/A-level, to be followed in Latin and Classical Studies may form the subject of discussion at interview.

Person Profile

The successful candidate will be a passionate and innovative teacher with a good degree in Classics from a UK or overseas university.

The ability to teach Latin at all levels is essential, as is an interest and desire to promote Classics beyond the curriculum. Candidates should also be able to demonstrate an interest in teaching a range of Classical subjects, including Greek and Classical Studies.

Applications are invited from well qualified and experienced teachers with proven track records for excellence in teaching practices and a passion for their specialist discipline.

How to Apply

Candidates should send a letter of application and curriculum vitae, together with the completed application form to:

rector@hutchesons.org

The closing date for applications is Friday 10th of November 2017 at 12pm.

Hutchesons' has its own salary scale, which is in line with the current National Salary agreement plus a 4% Hutchesons' allowance. Although by law not compulsory all our teachers are members of the Scottish Teachers' Superannuation scheme. There is a 50% fee concession for children of members of staff who attend Hutchesons' Grammar School.

To comply with regulations under The Education (Scotland) Act 2016, all teachers who commence employment at any Scottish Independent School on or after 1 October 2017 must be registered, or eligible to register, with the General Teaching Council of Scotland (GTCS); either Provisional, Provisional (Conditional) or Full Registration. Further information can be obtained from the GTCS website.