

Science Department (Maternity Cover) 0.8 Contract

The Post

We are looking for a well-qualified, inspiring and forward thinking teacher who can deliver outstanding lessons across the ability range at GCSE and A-level to cover a one year maternity leave.

As a department we are dedicated to the development of inspirational lessons and are always searching for new and innovative ways to motivate students to achieve their full potential. We would welcome a candidate who is keen to share new ideas, approaches and resources.

This is an excellent opportunity for an enthusiastic part-time teacher to join a dedicated and highly successful department in a thriving school committed to comprehensive education, which has 'Learning for Life' at its heart.

Our Curriculum

Year 7 and 8 students are placed in mixed ability sets and are allocated six teaching hours a fortnight. In preparation for the GCSE years they are taught a Science course which incorporates each of the separate sciences.

At present all students in Years 9, 10 and 11 are set as a year group with six sets and are allocated nine teaching hours a fortnight. Students are able to choose separate Sciences or follow the Combined Science course and we follow the AQA specification. The results for the separate Sciences are traditionally high and 2017 was no exception with 100% A-C in all 3 Sciences (77% A*- A in Biology, 50% in Chemistry and 68% in Physics). In Core and Additional Science 68% of all the students gained A*-C grades.

There is a high uptake of the Sciences (OCR specification) in the Sixth Form with two Biology and Chemistry classes and one Physics class in both Year 12 and 13. Experience of teaching up to A-level, in particular Biology, would therefore be a significant advantage. A2 results in 2017 were very good with 100% pass rate in all 3 Sciences with 79% gaining A*-C in Biology, 71% in Chemistry and 67% in Physics.

Our Facilities

There are currently ten teachers in the Science department (six full time and 4 part time teachers). Science is taught in purpose built laboratories with interactive whiteboards. In the main school there are six laboratories, five of which are in a self-contained Science building and the Sixth Form also has two laboratories and one purpose built Physics classroom. The department has two prep rooms and is supported by two Science Technicians.

There are also several IT equipped rooms in the Main School and in the Sixth Form which can be booked for class teaching. The school's main systems are SIMS, MintClass, Office 365 and Firefly VLE, all of which are integrated and, with the exception of SIMS, hosted in the cloud.

Further Information

Applicants are invited to contact our Deputy Headteacher, Katja Gibson, in the first instance.

Salary

Main Scale.

Application Forms

Completed forms should be emailed to Sarah Hewett, Headteacher's PA, at: shewett@burgate.hants.sch.uk or you can apply via the TES.

Interview Process

In addition to a tour of the school and informal discussions with key members of staff, each interviewee will be required to teach a lesson. The selection process will culminate in a formal interview. Full details of the interview process will be sent to candidates with the invitation to interview.

Safeguarding

The Burgate School is committed to safeguarding the welfare of its students and the successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check and other relevant pre-employment checks including satisfactory references and medical clearance.