

## TEACHER OF BIOLOGY

This post would suit an experienced teacher seeking a new challenge or a newly qualified teacher for whom full induction support (meeting statutory requirements) would be provided.

The Biology Department is part of the Science Department. There are currently thirteen teachers in the Science Department, supported by four technicians. The Biology laboratories provide modern, airy and spacious accommodation. ICT is embedded into our schemes of work; pupils use laptops with data-logging equipment as well as to access the internet and to use other applications. All of the laboratories have multimedia projectors and interactive whiteboards, supported by a wide range of science software.

In Years 7 and 8 we follow the Exploring Science course, which is taught as a combined course in Years 7 & 8, but as separate Sciences in Year 9. We begin the GCSE courses in November of Year 9. The most able pupils (about 80%) study the three separate sciences at GCSE. The remainder follow the AQA Trilogy Science course.

The successful candidate will join an enthusiastic, successful and supportive team of three biologists and will be able to teach across the age and ability range to Oxbridge level, contributing to Combined Science at Key Stage 3, as well as specialist Biology teaching at GCSE and A level.

Biology has become an increasingly popular choice at A level, consistently running two sets both at AS and A2. The course followed is AQA Biology. Last year's cohort of 11 candidates achieved 91% Grade A\* to B.

The successful candidate will possess the following:

- Genuine interest in the subject and its teaching
- Ability to teach and enthuse pupils using a range of methods and media
- Enthusiasm for teaching through practical work
- A professional approach
- Good organisation
- Willingness to work as part of a collaborative team
- Awareness of the changes in the Science curriculum
- The ability and willingness to make a significant contribution both to subject-related activities, such as the Science Society and the Junior Science Club, and to the wider sporting, cultural and pastoral life of the school

Teachers appointed to posts are expected to maintain high professional standards and contribute to the extra-curricular life of the school. Those who join Colfe's can expect to become part of a caring, purposeful and committed community.

### **Application procedure**

The recruitment process will require all applicants to complete an application form, accompanied by a letter of application, current CV and details of two referees, who will be contacted prior to interview, in accordance with the School's Safer Recruitment procedures. There will be an interview and lesson observation for short-listed candidates.

The application should be submitted either by post to:

Mrs A Ross  
Human Resources  
Colfe's School  
Horn Park Lane  
London SE12 8AW

Or electronically to: [recruitment@colfes.com](mailto:recruitment@colfes.com)

Applications should be sent **as soon as possible** and by **Noon, 27 April** at the latest. Colfe's reserves the right to appoint to this post before the closing date if necessary.

**Colfe's School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure & Barring Service.**