

# Appointment of a Teacher of BTEC sport

(0.5 part-time, maternity cover)

**Starting April 2017** 

# **ABOUT KING'S**

King's College is a thriving boarding and day school of approximately 460 pupils. It combines strong academic achievement, traditional values and excellent pastoral care with a progressive, modern outlook, providing girls and boys aged 13–18 with the opportunities, confidence and ability to exploit their potential to the full within a happy and caring environment.

King's Hall Prep School (located some three miles away) combines with King's to provide continuous education from 2-18 and the two schools are run by one Governing Body, with many functions (marketing, strategy and finance for example) undertaken jointly.

King's College has a sound family and community ethos. Just over 60% of the pupils board. A broad range of extra-curricular activities is offered. Good discipline is encouraged in a firm and positive way within a supportive pastoral framework. King's College is strong on manners and social skills. Pupils go on to good universities and professional careers.

For a relatively small school, King's College has an enviable record of success. The school has regularly topped GCSE league tables for Somerset in recent years and two departments, DT being one of them, were rated top in the country for their A level results by the Good Schools Guide. The Chapel Choir won the BBC "Choir of the Year" competition, the girls football team are ISFA national champions at U18 level, and the rugby team won the Rosslyn Park Sevens Festival trophy a few years ago.

In short, King's is a purposeful, outward-looking, down-to-earth, successful school.

## **ABOUT TAUNTON**

Taunton, the county town of Somerset, is a busy market town with excellent road and rail links. It is located between junction 25 and 26 on the M5, 25 minutes north of Exeter and 35 minutes south of Bristol. The fast West Country train service reaches Paddington in under two hours. Taunton is a growing commercial and residential centre, has a splendid small theatre, the County Cricket Ground, a successful rugby club, a delightful museum and the usual shopping outlets.

### THE POST

The BTEC Level 3 extended diploma course in sports performance and excellence began at King's College in September 2015 and was an instant success. There are currently 13 pupils in the process of completing their second year towards their qualification and a set of 7 pupils in their first year of the course. The BTEC is taught by three specialist teachers. The advertised post arises as a result of one of those teachers going on maternity leave and is therefore a 12 month post initially. The post is a part-time one, with lessons on three days of the week, covering 0.5 of a timetable.

The department has its own teaching room, with 12 networked PCs, and additional teaching is undertaken in the PE department classrooms and our interactive teaching room, The Hub. All teaching rooms are very well resourced, with digital projectors, whiteboards and all the audio-visual capability that you would expect of a 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom.

The pupils on the course also benefit from the constant use of our excellent sporting facilities during their studies.

### WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR

We require a well-qualified and enthusiastic teacher to join this department from the start of the summer term 2017. The post would suit either a newly qualified teacher or one with experience, who can share their expertise and love of the subject, and teach lessons which inspire and that pupils enjoy.

King's College has a lively and friendly Common Room of over 50 full time teachers, all of whom contribute to the school's outstanding co-curricular programme of sport, music, drama and outdoor activities. The ability to contribute meaningfully to this programme would be a distinct advantage. All full-time teachers also tutor a small number of pupils.

Newly qualified teachers will be supported in completing their initial year at King's by the Head of Teaching Strategies, who has vast experience in guiding and training NQT's.

# **APPOINTMENT POLICY**

Candidates are expected to have read the enclosed appointment policy and agreed to the terms within.

# **HOW TO APPLY**

Please write a brief letter of application, addressed to the Headmaster, and complete the application form enclosed and send by email or letter to:

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Website: www.kings-taunton.co.uk

The closing date for applications is 12.00pm, Thursday 8 December Interviews will be held on Tuesday 13 December

### Enclosed

- Application form
- Appointment policy
- Housemaster/mistress job description