



Temporary post: Science Department

**Teacher of Chemistry
April 2018**

Required for April 2018 at this thriving independent school: an enthusiastic chemist with the ability to engage and inspire pupils throughout all year groups and teach Chemistry to examination level.

Experience teaching A Level Chemistry would be an advantage.

Applications, with completed form, full c.v. and contact details of two referees, should reach the Headmaster by Monday, 19th February 2018.

It may be possible, depending on the right candidate, to offer a permanent contract beyond the Summer Term, 2018.

Departmental Information

The Science faculty at Bede's is highly successful, and each of the disciplines play a key part of that faculty. The Head of Science, Mr Martin Costley, works alongside the heads of Physics, Biology, Chemistry and Animal Management.

Science is taught in a large, modern block that is both attractive and well-resourced. There is a team of three lab technicians, a horticultural area and even a small school zoo, in which can be found mongooses, macaws, fruit bats and much more besides.

The teacher of science will be expected to become involved with the teaching of both A Level and GCSE classes.

In 2017, those students who completed the Biology A Level achieved 93% A*- C grades with over half gaining an A* or A, the Chemistry A Level 100% A*- C and 70% A*- A and Physics 79% A*- B.

GCSE Biology students achieved 100% A*-C, GCSE Chemistry 90% A*- C and Physics 100% A*-C.

We teach science because we would like to spread the habit of independent thought which is based on evidence, and which is therefore open to question and to test - "This is to be distinguished from the ape-like habit of mere imitation", as Charles Darwin said.

Our aim is that all Science students should be capable, independent thinkers and students possessing a life-long love of science and the process of scientific inquiry and thought.

About the Role

The successful candidate will be a very strong and charismatic teacher of Science who is passionate in their approach to the teaching of science, and who is determined to achieve the very best results.

They will be striving to help their best students win Oxbridge places, but will also be focused on those for whom the study of the subjects is not always easy.

While recognising that their department is but one cog in a large machine, they will nonetheless believe that business education should be the most important thing in any school, and in any child's life.

They will be wholly committed to excellence and they will strive tirelessly to achieve that excellence.

Alongside the obvious measures of success, such as exam performance, university applications and student feedback, we will be looking to the new teacher to inculcate a very real sense of wonder and excitement in their students, and to be massively demanding of them.

What we offer you: a competitive salary based on the generous Bede's teacher pay scale; an exciting and innovative environment where you can excel in the delivery of academic excellence and a co-curricular programme that is the envy of many; professional development opportunities that will enable you to be the best you can be.

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The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to an Enhanced DBS check