



# Teacher of Chemistry for September 2018

## The School

Founded in 1590, the school occupies a tight city centre site. Currently there are 590 pupils in the Senior School (11-18) and about 100 in the Junior School (7-11). The majority of boys in Year 11 transfer to the Sixth Form which is co-educational and numbers 180. Recent developments have included a new Sixth Form centre and refurbishing of the science department. A new suite of science labs (Biology) opened on the site along with an extension to the Art department, and internal reorganisation will soon create more space for Design Technology and Music.

Away from the school, QEH owns extensive playing fields at Failand which are occupied jointly with Bristol City Football Club to the benefit of both parties.

The school is academically selective in a very competitive market and numbers have increased over the last ten years. During that time, the quality of pupils entering the school has certainly been maintained. For the first time in the school's history, we moved to a four form entry into Year 7 in 2012 because of the pressure of numbers and this was repeated in 2015. From a point of obvious strength, the school decided to admit girls to the sixth form from September 2017. In September 2018, there will be four forms again in Year 7 and record numbers in the sixth form.

QEH is regularly the top performing day School in Bristol and usually leads the local value-added table. Indeed in 2011, QEH came in the top ten nationally for value-added between GCSE and A level. *Country Life* has recently listed QEH as one of the top 20 Day Schools in the country. About 10% of students receive Oxbridge offers and a similar number go on to medical schools. Most candidates leave for a Russell Group University (or equivalent).

## The Department

Chemistry is a strong department within the school with four members of staff.

The department occupies three laboratories within the science suite of nine fully-equipped and recently refurbished labs. Resources and results are both excellent. Chemistry is taught as a separate science from Year 7. At KS4 boys study for IGCSE examinations in Chemistry or the new combined science GCSE. At A-level there are two Chemistry sets in the lower sixth, and two in the upper sixth following the AQA specification.

## Candidate Profile

The post would suit an experienced teacher, NQT or a recent graduate (for whom suitable training, including a PGCE, can be arranged).

All staff are expected to make an extra-curricular contribution and candidates should indicate where they might be involved.

## **Remuneration**

QEH staff are paid on the QEH teaching scale. In addition a QEH allowance (currently £1818) may be paid in recognition of a substantial extra-curricular contribution.

A staff fee remission is available for pupils at Queen Elizabeth's Hospital and for girls at The Redmaids' High School.

## **Application Procedure**

Candidates must complete the application form and also submit a full curriculum vitae, letter of application and details of two referees to: The Headmaster, Queen Elizabeth's Hospital, Berkeley Place, Clifton, Bristol BS8 1JX.

Queen Elizabeth's Hospital is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

The closing date for applications is **Thursday 3 May** and interviews will be held on **Thursday 10 May** (provisional date). Applicants will be expected to teach a trial lesson (details of which can be discussed in advance).