

Aysgarth School

Job Description: Teacher of Science

The School

Aysgarth is a traditional boarding prep school for boys. The staff team is very committed, talented and work closely together.

Boys at Aysgarth go on to some of the most selective senior schools in the country, including Eton, Harrow and various other well known national boarding schools.

Class sizes range from 8 to 16 (with the average being 12), the classrooms are well equipped and resourced, and expectations are high. The boys are well disciplined and are keen to learn and progress. The school offers a very full curriculum including sports, performing and creative arts, and a wide range of hobbies and activities.

Purpose of the Role

To work closely with the Head of Science to ensure that boys develop a love of science and that they progress to the best of their ability. The exact nature of the role will depend upon the successful candidate's skills, experience and preferences although they will be expected to teach through to Year 8. The ability to contribute to the games programme throughout the year is essential: the major games are rugby, football and cricket although a wide variety of additional sports and activities are also offered.

Reports to: The Headmaster

CORE DUTIES – TEACHING AND FORM TUTORING

- 1. To teach science, ensuring that the boys (and where applicable, the girls in the Pre-Prep) have secure skills and knowledge that provide a good foundation for the Common Entrance and Scholarship syllabus.
- 2. To stimulate a love for, and enjoyment of, the sciences.
- 3. To monitor and assess the progress of the pupils taught; ensuring that their potential is recognised and developed whilst any issues are identified and addressed.
- 4. To liaise with the SENCO to ensure that any learning difficulties of boys in your classes are appropriately addressed.
- 5. To be a form tutor, providing pastoral care and guidance across all aspects of a boy's life at the school and agreeing with them targets for each period. To be the first point of discipline in the event that any boy in your form should misbehave.

- 6. To hold the safeguarding and the welfare of every child as of paramount importance. To contribute to, and follow, the School's safeguarding and child protection procedures and policies.
- 7. To communicate to Aysgarth staff and parents about each boy's progress, alerting the relevant people to issues and successes.

Additional duties

- To contribute fully to the games programme throughout the year.
- To carry out daytime, evening and weekend duties/activities on a rota basis typically one evening per week and 2 Sundays/term (part of the day)

Key Skills, Experience and Qualities

- An experienced teacher or NQT with relevant qualifications
- An enthusiasm for working with children and an appreciation of time spent in their company
- The ability to develop good relationships with pupils of varying backgrounds, interests and personalities
- Confidence and sensitivity in dealing with parents
- The ability to cooperate and communicate with colleagues
- Ambition for themselves, their department and the School
- An enthusiasm for taking activities/games would be an advantage

Remuneration

The salary for this role will depend on the skills and experience of the successful candidate. The Aysgarth scale compares most favourably to the national scale.

Teaching staff are members of the Teachers Pension Scheme

School fee discount for staff children.