



BEACONSFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Applicant

Thank you so much for showing interest in our school and the PE teaching post. We are extremely proud of our school, our students and our staff. We are excited about our intention to appoint a new, dynamic and inspirational member of the PE team and look forward to hearing how your skills, attributes and experience can match our needs at this time.

Beaconsfield High School is a happy, high achieving and remarkable grammar school in the delightful town of Beaconsfield. The school is oversubscribed, our students achieve incredibly well at both GCSE and A level and make good progress each year that they are with us. The vast majority of our students go on to higher education but some take a gap year and then progress to university or higher-level apprenticeships.

The PE department is an outstanding department with an excellent track record of sporting progress within the curriculum as well as extra-curricular and examination success. It consists of 5 members of teaching staff; they are a lively, dedicated and approachable team with a range of responsibilities outside of the PE Curriculum in addition to their teaching and extra-curricular roles. The Department is committed to increasing the profile of PE and Sport within the school. We run inter-house events in a range of sports throughout the year, as well as the big event of Sports Day, to encourage participation for all and to enthuse the house spirit within the school. Alongside the PE curriculum we run an extensive extra-curricular programme where we are committed to giving as many students as possible the opportunities to enjoy sports alongside fostering elite talent, particularly in hockey, netball and athletics. The GCSE and A Level subject is popular here at Beaconsfield High and we continue to promote this as a widely regarded subject in an academic school. Our results are very strong and we continue to work towards even better progress.

In September 2014, we became an academy and since then we have invested heavily in the school and its infrastructure. I joined this school in April 2015 and I can genuinely say that there is so much positive energy, achievement and 'buzz' at Beaconsfield High School that it is difficult to give you a full picture of what goes on here. Our staff give so generously of their own time to enable the girls to have wonderful and enriching experiences, often in their holiday time, such as language trips, history trips, ski trips, sports tours (including to South Africa!!), music tours, Duke of Edinburgh expeditions, to mention but a few. Sporting achievements are outstanding, with national medals being won last year by several of our teams, and dance is superb with the annual dance show being a real highlight. Hundreds of our students take part in the Duke of Edinburgh scheme and many students take part in debating competitions, mock trials, young enterprise competitions, drama productions, music concerts ... the list is endless.

We believe that students should feel cared for, we work very hard to support their well-being through a strong pastoral care framework, and a recently developed scheme called 'Getting Life Ready'. We recognise that happy and confident

young women are far more successful in all that they do. There is something for everyone at our school and the ethos and atmosphere is one of acceptance and mutual respect.

We have recently invested over £3,500,000 in refurbishing some of the older parts of the school. Our staffroom is completely updated and we built three new Science laboratories. We have also invested £100,000 in new servers and IT infrastructure ready for the next stages in the development of an IT vision over the coming five years to support and promote the remarkable learning that already takes place.

All of our departments achieve very well; the PE department has many strengths. They have helped us to ensure that our sports teams are some of the most successful in Buckinghamshire. Now we wish to enhance the high standards already in place.

As part of your application, please write a letter (no more than two sides, font 11) explaining how your skills, creativity and passion for effective teaching in PE would best meet the requirements of the job description and personal specification.

The closing date is on the advert and details of whom to contact are there too.

This is a remarkable school and we will provide you with a vibrant, exciting opportunity to develop your teaching skills in a school dedicated to excellence.

Kind regards.



Rachel Smith

Headteacher