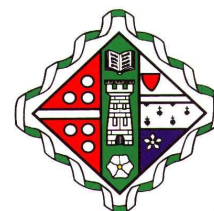


Wellington School

Head of Art & Design



We are looking to appoint a Head of Art and Design to lead this successful and popular department at Wellington School. The position becomes available in April or sooner, and this is a first class opportunity for an ambitious teacher to lead development in this important area of the curriculum.

This is a post for a well-qualified, enthusiastic and inspiring teacher who is able to teach the full range of courses up to Advanced Higher level and lead by positive example. He or she will have the ability to teach at all levels with confidence and authority and have a Degree in Expressive Art or Design. We are looking for someone who demonstrates a genuine love and enthusiasm of the subject and an imaginative, creative and energetic approach to helping pupils to share this enjoyment. The current range of specialist design areas covered within the department ranges from fashion, product, body adornment, architecture. Pupils are also encouraged to develop their painting, drawing and mixed media skills as well as working with an array of subject disciplines. The successful candidate will be an outstanding classroom practitioner, with the organisational and communication skills that are essential to the smooth running of a department. Computers, technology and web based resources are an intrinsic part of Art and Design teaching and the department has a laser cutter that is regularly used for design and expressive purposes.

The department currently promotes the work of pupils through displays, school publications, exhibitions and on the website.

We aim to help all of our pupils to achieve their full potential in Art and Design as well as developing real confidence in their abilities. At all stages from S1 to S6, we attach a great deal of importance to problem solving, skills building and the development of creative, independent thinking. In this all-through school, specialist Art teachers also work with pupils from P4 to P7 and this allows a smooth transition through the stages. Pupils are encouraged to see Art and Design as a very important subject that links into industry both locally and worldwide.

Wellington School is the only independent school in Ayrshire and the school roll is currently in the region of 520 (Nursery – S6). Year groups in the Senior School typically consist of approximately 50 pupils and most remain in the school until the end of S6. The majority of pupils study 8 National 5 courses in S3/S4, before going on to take 5 Higher courses in S5. Pupils in S6 choose from the wide range of Advanced Higher and Higher courses available and almost all proceed to university.

In addition to its curricular provision, Wellington also offers a rich array of other activities and a willingness to participate fully in the life of the school will be expected.

The salary for this post will be in accordance with SNJCT scales, together with a small Wellington enhancement.

The post is available from April 2018 or sooner and the start date is negotiable.

Applicants must either be registered with GTC Scotland, or eligible for registration. All teaching appointments are subject to clearance through the Disclosure Scotland Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme.

Applicants should complete the school's Job Application Form and provide a covering letter, both of which should be sent by email to vacancies@wellingtonschool.org. A CV is optional and may also be included.

The closing date for applications is Thursday 15 February.