



Full-time Teacher of English and Drama

The School

Haberdashers' Adams is a selective state grammar school with academy status situated in the small market town of Newport in rural Shropshire. It is a boys' school with co-educational Sixth Form. There are currently about 960 pupils on roll; approximately 100 of these are boarders. The Sixth Form has about 340 students of whom about 100 are girls.

The school currently has four forms (120 students) in each of Year 7 to Year 11. In September 2021, it will expand to five forms (150 students) in Years 7 to 9, which will lead to the growth of Year 10 to five forms in September 2022 and Year 11 to five forms in September 2023. This growth is being funded by the Specialist Schools Expansion Fund, which is covering the cost of a new teaching block that will open in June 2021.

As a result of this expansion, we will require a full-time teacher of English and Drama by September 2022, although the initial requirement in September 2021 is for a teacher who can teach approximately 65% of a full timetable in these subjects. We are therefore seeking to recruit a specialist teacher of English and Drama who will be able - in their first year only - to teach another subject. We have a large number of modest-sized gaps in our curriculum to fill for the next two years so we welcome applicants who can offer any other subject(s). Should the successful candidate wish to continue to teach another minority subject long-term, we may be able to facilitate this depending on the overall staffing situation.

The English and Drama Department

The Department consists of six full-time and part-time members of staff.

All pupils are taught and examined in AQA English Language and English Literature GCSE. English Literature is taught at A-level. Teaching is currently delivered in the main classroom block and there is a studio area which is used as a resource for drama teaching; the Department will be re-locating to its own teaching block in June 2021, due to the School's expansion.

As a result of recent specification changes at GCSE, the Department is currently reviewing and updating a significant portion of its course materials and associated Schemes of Work. The new appointee will have the opportunity to contribute to this process.

The Department introduced Drama teaching into Year 9 in September 2017 and started teaching GCSE Drama in September 2018. AS-level Drama will be taught for the first time from September 2021.

The extra-curricular side of school life is very important. The English Department organises or contributes to activities such as school drama productions and dance events; a house poetry competition; a creative writing group; a senior debating club; a range of theatre trips and the school magazine.

The Candidate

The Department is looking to recruit an outstanding Teacher of English to join its dynamic team. Candidates must have significant experience of teaching English Language and English Literature to GCSE. Ideally, candidates should have at least some experience of teaching A-level English Literature.

If the candidate is able to teach Drama at KS3, GCSE or AS Level, this would be an advantage.

Job Description and Person Specification

Please see the attached job description and person specification that apply to all main scale teaching posts at Haberdashers' Adams.