

ASSISTANT TEAM LEADER FOR
COMPUTER SCIENCE
MPS + Federation Benefits
RP Allowance RP8 £4,482pa FTE



To start September 2021

Full or Part Time applications considered.
Relocation package available for a
suitable candidate.

Do you want to play a key role in leading a team who supports students to send code to the International Space Station to carry out research in weather patterns, or perhaps travel to Paris to take part in an international exhibit for new technologies? We are a passionate team of coders who revel in teaching students how to create algorithms that solve problems successfully, would you like to be part of this team?

Computer Science is a highly valued subject at the College and our partner school, Harington with the talented team consistently achieving outstanding outcomes across all the qualifications we offer. Progression rates through to GCSE are very strong where a bespoke pathway is offered to our Computer Science students. At A levels, the popularity of the subject has grown significantly with students enjoying the strong programming element of the course. Alongside high standards of academic progress, the team have a strong commitment to providing extracurricular opportunities for students. In recent years this has included field trips to Disneyland Paris, and an opportunity to speak to an astronaut on the International Space Station as a result of winning the AstroPi competition for aspiring programmers. After months of tough competitions and challenges, our students were thrilled to have been chosen as one of the ten winning teams in the competition, sharing the title with only one other team from the UK.

The Assistant Team Leader will support the work of the Director of Computer Science to ensure that standards within this subject remain very high. Exact duties will be negotiated on interview but will include enhancing existing pedagogy, developing approaches to assessment, and ensuring that the Computer Science curriculum is appropriate for our learners. For ambitious colleagues there will be opportunities to lead on whole-school initiatives.

After-school clubs such as Cyber Discovery and Cyber-start Girls provide opportunities for students of all ages to explore computing beyond the Key Stage 3, GCSE or A level curriculum. You will be joining an experienced and highly-qualified team who have high expectations of themselves and the students they teach. In Key Stage 3 the curriculum is well developed with comprehensive resources readily available. Students develop their skills in both Computer Science and wider IT. At GCSE and A level, there are clearly planned curriculums in place to support new staff on arrival. During lockdown we took the opportunity to develop our broadcasting skills with our Director of Computer Science, Matt Gray very much leading the way with his YouTube channel and his innovative use of green screen technology.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3M5A4ZTvpMyIP7WyNRRMFA/videos>

There are outstanding facilities throughout the College offering excellent teaching resources and access to numerous iPads, laptops and computers. Catmose College and Harington School are part of the Rutland and District Schools' Federation, both of which have been graded outstanding by Ofsted. We offer suitably qualified candidates the opportunity to teach A level Computer Science through our partner school Harington, which is one of the highest performing sixth forms in the country.

Applications are welcomed from experienced candidates where there are exceptional opportunities for further professional development and promotion. If you are a forces veteran, we also welcome your application. We are committed to being an inclusive employer and welcome

applications from candidates looking for a variety of flexible working arrangements including, but not limited to; part time working and a job share.

Teachers are able to enjoy many additional benefits that come as part of working within the Federation. These include, amongst others:

- Teachers at top of scale may receive up to a 2% pay award annually for good performance.
- Relocation support for hard to recruit subjects.
- Vast range of staff training including a partially funded Master's scheme.
- Primary, secondary and sixth-form teaching opportunities.
- Staff laptops.
- Priority admission for children of staff to the College and Primary.
- Flexible working; part-time and a job share considered.
- A broad range of opportunities to engage in extracurricular trips and activities.
- A subsidised restaurant, refectory and orangery.
- Complimentary lunch on staff training days.
- Cycleshare scheme salary sacrifice for bike purchases.
- Free parking.
- Complimentary flu vaccination.
- Holidays outside of the usual term-time pattern, including a two-week autumn break and an early summer.

The Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all students in our care and expects all staff to share this commitment. All staff are responsible for ensuring safeguarding, health and safety policies are implemented in line with Federation policy and current legislation. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service. We are an equal opportunities employer.

For information on visiting our site during the pandemic, please visit our website: <http://www.catmosecollege.com/covid/>. You may also view the online Catmose College prospectus here: <https://www.catmosecollege.com/online-prospectus/>

If you have any questions regarding the role, please contact John Harrison who is the link Vice Principal for Computer Science, he may be contacted via email: jharrison@catmosecollege.com

HOW TO APPLY

Application forms and information are available online at www.rutlandfederation.com or by emailing office@rutlandfederation.com.

- You should write a letter of application on no more than 2 sides of A4.
- You should complete all sections of the application form.
- On the form clearly state the names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of two professional referees; it is our usual practice to ask for references before shortlisting and always to ask for references before interviews.
- It is a condition of employment that you have a successful DBS check made and can provide proof of identity and qualifications gained.

Please note that due to the high number of applications we receive for positions, your application is unlikely to be considered if you do not follow these requirements. CVs are not accepted. The closing date is 9am on Monday 24 May 2021.

You should send your application to Stuart Williams, Principal, Catmose College, Huntsmans Drive, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6RP. Applications can also be emailed to office@rutlandfederation.com.