



Diocese of Hallam

Notre Dame High School Sheffield 11-18 Mixed Catholic Comprehensive School

Teacher of Modern Foreign Languages 0.8 FTE – 1.0 FTE/Permanent

Further Details

About the Department:

All pupils learn either French or Spanish as a compulsory subject from Year 7 up to GCSE. We also teach both languages to A Level. We are a reasonably large department of experienced MFL teachers, made up of six full-time members of staff, two part-time staff and two Foreign Language Assistants. We are now looking to welcome a new member of the department who can teach both French and Spanish at GCSE level. The ability to teach either to A-Level would be an advantage.

In Years 7 and 8 pupils are taught two hours of either French or Spanish. We teach using the Dynamo and Viva courses within Active Learn and pupils are taught in mixed-ability form groups.

In Years 9 to 11, MFL is part of our core curriculum and all students study their foreign language up to GCSE. Classes currently have three hours of lessons in Years 9 and 11 and two hours in Year 10. Our GCSE classes are setted, with four classes in each subject. We have chosen to use the Pearson Edexcel course with Active Hub.

We have Y12 and Y13 classes in both languages, with the numbers studying A Level having increased in recent years. A Level pupils have five hours of lessons, split between two teachers, and they also have an additional session with the FLA. We use the Hodder course for A Level alongside the Boost online resources.

Exam Boards:

GCSE Edexcel A Level AQA

About the role:

We are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated Teacher of MFL who can teach both French and Spanish to GCSE level, with the ability to offer either language to A-Level. We are looking for an excellent classroom practitioner who values languages for all and who has experience or the potential to achieve good outcomes at both Key Stages 3 and 4, as well as being able to motivate and enthuse young learners, and who is keen to contribute and add to the journey of our department. The department has a strong history of running successful trips to both Spain and France, and we are looking for someone who would also be keen to contribute to the running of trips abroad.

About the school

Notre Dame is a Catholic school with a strong ethos at its heart. All staff are expected to uphold and contribute to the ethos of the school, which is what makes it a special place to work.

Professional Development

At Notre Dame the ongoing professional development of all staff is a key priority. Our view is that we can always improve, not because we are not good enough but because we can be even better at what we do and that this in turn will ensure the very best outcomes for our students. We also aim to help staff to be ready for their 'next step' in their careers whatever that might be.

In order to achieve these aims we;

- have an ethos of 'learning together' through joint practice development which is conducted in a supportive and developmental way. Staff are encouraged to take risks and use research and evidence-based approaches to improve their classroom practice.
- Encourage staff to be reflective and take the lead in their own professional development so that their individual needs are met
- Have a supportive ECT programme to fully support those new to the profession. This involves
 meeting together in groups to share and develop best practice and working with a coach on an
 individual basis

The ability and enthusiasm to contribute to extra-curricular activities in school would be an advantage.

Please state clearly any other subjects offered.

This post has a high level of responsibility for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is: 9am on Friday 9th May 2025.

Interview date is: tbc

Notre Dame High School expects all candidates to familiarise themselves with our Safeguarding Policy which can be found on the school website http://www.notredame-high.co.uk/

Notre Dame High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children & young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to complete an Enhanced DBS Disclosure. In addition, this post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act and a self-disclosure is required for applicants shortlisted for interview.