



September 2023

Teacher of PE

UPPINGHAM



From the Headmaster, Dr Richard Maloney

Physical Education is a popular and thriving subject at Uppingham.

We seek to inspire and challenge our pupils to work at the highest academic levels. We are fortunate to have wonderful facilities and fantastic, highly committed teachers who nurture and support Uppinghamians at every stage of their time here.

I hope that you will be excited by the opportunity to join us in the PE department. We are looking for someone with exceptional gifts and skills as a teacher to make a difference to our pupils.

I look forward to meeting you.

Dr Richard Maloney
Headmaster



Physical Education at Uppingham

Teaching in the PE Department is delivered by an experienced team of specialist colleagues.

All pupils in the Fourth Form (Year 9) have a lesson of PE each week, staffed by a specialist teacher from the department supported by one of our team of graduate sports assistants. The Fourth Form curriculum focuses on developing fundamental skills and tactical principles that are transferable to a range of sports. Half-termly themes include net games, striking and fielding, invasion games and creative activities.

At GCSE, the department teaches the OCR course. PE was introduced as a GCSE option in 2017 and has already become very popular, with nearly 90 pupils opting to study it. Results have been excellent since the first results in 2019..

In the Sixth Form the department offers the BTEC Extended Certificate in Sport, equivalent in size to a single A level, with the option of extending to the Diploma in Sport which is equivalent to two A levels. The department moved to offer the BTEC in 2017, and the results have been superb, with pupils who take Sport consistently gaining their best result in the subject. There is now a healthy number of pupils studying for the BTEC in both Sixth Form years, with a small number opting for the Diploma in Sport.

The PE department plays an active role beyond the classroom in the wider co-curricular sporting life of the School, and the teachers of academic PE also take part in, and in many cases lead, the delivery of sports coaching. All pupils at Uppingham are actively engaged with the sports programme for at least three sessions each week, including a whole-school programme of games fixtures and other sports on Saturday afternoons. We aspire to deliver a sports and physical activities programme that is inclusive and flexible, in which all our pupils can participate, enjoy and achieve.

The PE department is located in a suite of classrooms in the School's sports centre, opened by Lord (Sebastian) Coe in 2011. The School's website contains a comprehensive overview of the sport on offer at Uppingham: see www.uppingham.co.uk



About the role: Teacher of PE

We seek to appoint a first-rate teacher of PE, from September 2023.

This position would suit a teacher seeking to develop their skills and gain experience.

Teachers at Uppingham play a full part in the life of this seven-day week boarding school, by taking on responsibilities in addition to classroom teaching.

The co-curricular programme is exceptionally varied and includes a wide range of sports, CCF, community service and the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Each teacher is also attached as a tutor to one of the School's fifteen boarding houses.



About the person

The person appointed will be a strong, dynamic character with excellent subject knowledge, a good degree, good classroom management skills, a track record of excellent teaching and an appropriate rapport with pupils. The abilities to communicate well and work as part of a team are essential. The successful candidate will have high personal and professional standards, with well developed pastoral instincts.

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Remuneration and Benefits

The School has its own salary scale for qualified teachers, which is reviewed annually. The scale starts at £33,000 and progression is possible to £60,000. The School offers an extensive range of benefits including a school fee discount scheme for children of staff, free gym membership, subsidised medical scheme, excellent pension scheme, and free Westfield Healthcare and Rewards package which includes discounts in retail outlets, restaurants, cinemas and with holiday providers.

All members of staff are expected to live within reasonable distance of the School so that they can contribute to boarding school life easily and effectively. Assistance with reasonable removal expenses is provided. School property is sometimes available initially, at a subsidised rate, for those who wish to rent, and some partly furnished flats are provided for those coming straight from university or overseas. Most staff prefer to buy their own houses in due course, and there is a wide range of property available in the town and surrounding villages.

One of Uppingham's great community strengths is dining in house. Each day teaching staff are invited to lunch in a boarding house; a genuine pleasure in the midst of a busy week.

Life in Rutland

Rutland – England's smallest county – is located in a beautiful part of the country. Alongside the stunning countryside, with Rutland Water only six miles away, there are a mass of leisure pursuits on our doorstep.

The town offers a range of independent stores and its location allows access to a number of thriving cities and towns. Uppingham is equidistant between Peterborough and Leicester which have excellent shopping centres, and Leicester, Nottingham and Birmingham all enjoy first-class theatre and concert facilities. Cambridge can be reached in 50 minutes and Oxford in an hour and a half. London is an hour by train from Corby, Kettering or Peterborough.

Maidwell Hall, situated in neighbouring Northamptonshire, is part of the Uppingham Group of Schools and educates pupils from Reception to Year 8. Uppingham town has nurseries, two maintained primary schools and an 11-16 community college, with sixth form colleges in nearby towns, such as Oakham and Stamford. There is a considerable community of young children within the area.

The next steps

Closing date:
Monday 8 May 2023, 9.00am

Interviews:
Friday 12 May

Informal enquiries about the position may be made to the Head of Physical Education, Charlie Esson: CARE@uppingham.co.uk.

Applications must be made on the School's application form, which can be obtained via the School website or from hr@uppingham.co.uk.

Completed applications should be returned to hr@uppingham.co.uk or by post to:
HR Department, Uppingham School,
High Street West, Uppingham, Rutland LE15 9QE

Uppingham School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Successful candidates must be willing to undergo full screening in accordance with Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSiE), including an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. Issues relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of pupils will be explored at interview.

At Uppingham School, we value a truly inclusive, fair and equal work environment for all. Opportunities to work at Uppingham School are open to all, at all levels. We want to further increase the diversity of our workforce and actively encourage and welcome applications from candidates who have black, Asian, and minority ethnic backgrounds.





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