



St Andrew the Apostle

Greek Orthodox School



Head of Religion and Philosophy

Contract: Permanent, Full time although 0.8 will also be considered for the right candidate.

Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR 2b + Outer London

Start date: September 2024

Application closing date: 9am Wednesday 22 May 2024

Interviews will be held immediately after candidates are shortlisted. However, we may contact applicants regarding interviews prior to this date.

We are looking to appoint a high-calibre leader for our RP department. As a faith school, the teaching of Religion and Philosophy is hugely important for us and our learners, and all students take the full GCSE at the end of Key Stage 4. As a dynamic Head of RP, you will enthuse students through the provision of high-quality teaching and learning, encouraging all students to develop their potential to the full. The successful candidate will be a leader who is passionate about all aspects of RP with a drive to make a difference and maintain our high standards in the department.

The ideal candidate will:

- Be an outstanding practitioner and be on the way to becoming an inspirational leader;
- Have a proven track record of success in raising student attainment;
- Have the ability to develop a love of RP in order to maintain high standards;
- Be a committed team-player, ideally with experience of having led and managed successful teams;
- Fully understand the RP curriculum and local SACRE requirements and have the vision required to raise standards further.

Students at St Andrew appreciate being taught well and enjoy their learning. They expect high standards and enjoy being challenged and stretched in the classroom. Our GCSE results last year were strong with whole school P8 of + 0.43. Our RP results feed into this success and they will demonstrate the strength of knowledge and skills taught as we prepare for our Section 48 inspection.

We are committed to appointing a candidate who will fit well with our staff body and one who will promote the whole school ethos. The candidate must be an excellent classroom practitioner and be able to demonstrate that s/he can play a leadership role across the school. If you are confident that you can rise to these challenges, we would encourage you to arrange a visit to the school or a conversation with our Headteacher or Deputy Headteachers - Curriculum to find out more about the role and the school. Please feel free to contact the school on 0203 195 5444. The successful candidate would be joining the school at a very exciting time in our journey. Our state of the art new building is in progress (diggers and a Sports Hall are visible from our playground!) and we are growing our young sixth form.

The Russell Education Trust and St Andrew the Apostle School are committed to the professional development of our middle leaders. In addition to support from our RET RP Adviser, the successful candidate would be part of a network of Heads of RP from across the RET network. This network learns from each other and benefits from each-other's expertise to drive improvement in their departments. Support will also be available from the local SACRE lead, who is a member of our governing body.

Applications are welcome from teachers of all faiths and none; this is reflected in our current staff composition. If you would like to apply, please send a completed application form and equalities form to vacancies@standrewtheapostle.org.uk



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