



CHARTERHOUSE



Climbing Coach Job Description Starting September 2025

Welcome from the Head



Thank you for your interest in this role at Charterhouse.

Charterhouse is an exceptionally rewarding place for our pupils and staff. The developments in our academic and co-curricular provision, boarding and social spaces have facilitated a highly successful move to full coeducation, demonstrating an intentional and strategic drive to deliver a world-class, future-ready education, where every individual is empowered to reach their potential.

Our vision and values place kindness and belonging at the core, and our culture is one of welcome and acceptance. Open our doors and you will find a diverse and enriching range of people, experiences, thoughts and interests that all contribute to our thriving community. We nurture our talent and offer a myriad of opportunities to learn and grow together.

We warmly invite people from all backgrounds to share their passions, skills and ideas and who can help us to continuously lead and inspire the next generation, in an environment where everyone can flourish.

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Dr Alex Peterken
Head



About Charterhouse

Charterhouse is a beautiful school in a 250-acre campus – a wonderful setting for the whole community to live and work together and a splendid backdrop for teaching and learning.

Founded in 1611, Charterhouse is one of the world's leading coeducational independent schools, welcoming boarders and day pupils at 13+ entry and 16+ entry.

Surrounded by a world of opportunity and connected by a feeling of belonging, each pupil at Charterhouse is educated to embrace life's full potential, and empowered to carry this into their future. A Charterhouse education prepares for both academic success as well as laying the foundations for future professional, social and personal fulfilment.

The School is academically ambitious for every pupil, with all strands of a Charterhouse education leading towards being fully prepared for the real-world of tomorrow and equipped to grasp future opportunity.

The curriculum is all about choice for the individual and is firmly rooted in academic rigour, intellectual curiosity and independent learning. Year 9 pupils follow a real breadth of academic subjects, with the curriculum in Years 10 and 11 culminating in (I)GCSEs.

Pupils benefit from the dual offer available in the Sixth Form: A Levels with an Extended Project Qualification or the breadth of the IB Diploma Programme. A wonderful range of academic electives are on offer, including the Charterhouse Entrepreneurship Diploma (accredited by the Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurs) and the Ivy House Leadership Award.

From an outstanding and varied academic education to the raft of co-curricular options – opportunities abound at Charterhouse. With over 80 activities, the co-curriculum is an essential strand of a Charterhouse education, combining opportunities for leadership development, creativity, exercise and team work.

The Boarding House teams are at the heart of supporting each young person on their journey through the School. The Heads of House live in the Houses, and are supported by a team of tutors and pastoral staff – two of whom are also residential. The House Teams are supported by a 24-hour Health Centre and pupils also have access to support through the Wellbeing team, counsellors and chaplaincy.

Shared values are central to life at Charterhouse, enabling each person to be themselves – everything at Charterhouse begins with kindness. We warmly welcome applicants who will share our values and with the enthusiasm and energy to make a significant and lasting contribution to life at the School. Together we can ensure that Charterhouse continues to be a world-class education provider.

PERSEVERANCE CHARTERHOUSE RESPONSIBILITY MORAL COURAGE OPEN-MINDEDNESS KINDNESS

Our Values

At Charterhouse we recognise that we each have a responsibility to reflect upon everything we have been given and strive to make the most of the opportunities available to us in order to live our motto: '*Deo Dante Dedi*' – God having given, I gave.

Everything we do at Charterhouse is centred around living to our core set of values. They help steer how we behave, learn and treat each other. They are embedded in and reflected upon in all aspects of school life. Of these, kindness – to ourselves and to others – is the most important and something we encourage in all pupils from their very first day.

We concentrate on educating the individual, to provide a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere where each child feels valued and can flourish. Every year we welcome children from a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences; this enriches our community and is vital in preparing all our pupils for today's world.

Why Choose Charterhouse

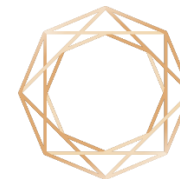
Charterhouse is an exceptional place to work. You will be part of a vibrant and inclusive community with a teaching career in a world-class school at the forefront of educational innovation. Throughout this job description you will see the many reasons to join us. Below are some practical benefits that are offered, complementing a generous remuneration package:

- Competitive contributory occupational pension scheme (currently a choice of GPPP and TPS)
- Death in service benefit up to the age of 70 (if not already included in occupational pension scheme)
- Single Membership of a private medical insurance scheme (subject to eligibility)
- Cash Health Plan currently provided by +Medicash
- Payment for eye tests for users of visual display screen equipment, and a contribution currently amounting to £50 to the cost of any corrective eye wear (normally claimable once every 3 years)
- Personal Accident insurance
- Access to an Employee Assistance Programme
- School fee remission (subject to eligibility).
- Membership of the School Sports Centre
- Membership of the School's 9-hole golf course at a reduced subscription
- Participation in a 'Cycle to Work' scheme (subject to eligibility)
- Salary sacrifice on electric vehicles (subject to eligibility)
- Lunches, during your normal working day
- Free on-site parking
- Invitations to school productions and concerts throughout the year
- Use of the School Library to borrow books & other media
- Continuing professional development as part of our talent management programme.



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TRAINING AWARD
2023

'Crackling with dynamism, this is a place
where things are always happening.'

- TATLER SCHOOLS GUIDE 2023

Climbing Coach

We are seeking a passionate and qualified Indoor Climbing Coach to lead climbing sessions for secondary school students. The ideal candidate will look to inspire and develop students' skills on our internal on-site climbing wall. This role is ideal for a motivated individual with a passion for climbing and youth development.

Responsible to: Head of Climbing, through the Director of Sport

The Sports Department at Charterhouse

The core sports are football, hockey, netball, cricket and tennis but there is a wide variety of others including swimming, athletics, golf, badminton, basketball, lacrosse, shooting, racquets, squash and fives to name but a few. There are School as well as House matches in most sports. The sporting facilities are truly impressive and include the Queen's Sports Centre (QSC) with its indoor swimming pool, multi-use sports hall, climbing wall and a well-equipped fitness suite. The School also has its own athletics track as well as a nine-hole golf course and three all-weather pitches which are used mainly for hockey and tennis. Additional facilities include 12 outdoor netball/ tennis courts, 14 football pitches and 9 cricket pitches. Tuesdays and Thursdays, term time, are the main sport afternoons with matches played on Saturdays as well as mid-week. Additional training nights might be added in Autumn and Spring term.

Main Duties

- Plan and deliver structured indoor climbing sessions appropriate for varying skill levels.
- Supervise students during climbing activities, ensuring safety and proper use of equipment.
- Promote teamwork, confidence, and personal development through climbing.
- Conduct safety checks.
- Work collaboratively with other school staff.



- **Safeguarding**
- Demonstrate the highest levels of commitment and compliance to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Person Specification

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Successful candidates will be likely to fit the following profile:

- Current Climbing Wall Instructor (CWI) or Single Pitch Supervisor Award (SPSA) qualification, although the leading qualification would also be desirable.
- Experience working with young people in a coaching or educational setting would be beneficial
- Strong communication, leadership, and organizational skills.
- A commitment to safeguarding and promoting student welfare.

Terms of Service

- Starting from September 2025, work will be offered twice a week during term time on Tuesdays and Thursday afternoons from 13.45 - 17.00
- The successful candidate will be paid an hourly rate which will be agreed in advance with the Director of Sport.

Application Process

Applications should be made in accordance with the School's application and safer recruitment procedures, via the School's website, selecting the relevant vacancy. The selected vacancy link will take you to our online recruitment system and give you the opportunity to register and complete an application form. You will also have the opportunity to upload your latest CV.

Early applications are warmly encouraged, and a bespoke invitation to interview may be offered in advance of the closing date.

All successful job applicants will be required to undertake a Criminal Record check and to undergo child protection screening.

Visit our website – Employment Opportunities

We are creating an inclusive culture where all forms of diversity are seen and valued – for our pupils, for our staff. A culture that supports the enduring Charterhouse education provided to pupils in our global and multi-cultural environment. Join us now to be a part of it.

If candidates would like an informal conversation before applying, Chris Sandbach (Director of Sport) would be very happy to talk with you. Please

contact him by email (cjs@charterhouse.org.uk) to arrange a mutually convenient time.



No job description can fully cover all aspects of the role and consequently the responsibilities are likely to evolve and change over time. This description does however give an overall view of the position

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