**Science and PE/Swimming Teacher**

**Part –Time Teacher (Maternity Cover)**

**The Appointment**

We are seeking to appoint a well-qualified and enthusiastic honours graduate to teach Upper Key Stage 2 Science, PE and Swimming to pupils from Reception to Year 8, and be involved in the girls’ games programme as maternity cover. This is to cover a maternity absence until end of June 2018 in the first instance.

**The College**

The College consists of two inter-dependent fee-paying schools within a single executive structure. The Senior School, 13-18, founded in 1841, is the oldest of the Victorian public schools and is predominantly a boarding school of some 700+ pupils, including a Sixth Form of approximately 288 pupils. The Prep School, 3-13, is largely a day school of some 370+ pupils. Both schools are fully co-educational. The schools are situated in their own spacious grounds and have fine academic records and a considerable reputation for sport, drama and music.

**The Science Department**

The Science Department is housed in a beautifully refurbished single-floor block of 4 laboratories. The Department works closely with the Senior School Science department, which has recently been refurbished and consists of 14 laboratories. The two schools share technician support.

Staff in the department all teach more than one Science discipline and flexibility is required in this regard. As the children move up through the school they begin to prepare for 13+ Common Entrance examinations or may aim to sit Academic Scholarship examinations to a variety of Senior Schools.

**The PE Department**

There are two full time members of the department, one part time and two further full time members of staff who teach other subjects in the Prep. In addition to teaching PE and swimming, all members of the department play a full part in teaching games lessons and coaching a main team each term, supervising and officiating at matches home and away.

The Prep boasts excellent facilities with a 25m swimming pool as well as plenty of outdoor pitches and two sand-based Astros. There are also four hard tennis courts and six squash courts. Our Sports Centre can accommodate 8 badminton courts and has a fully equipped CV gym. There are plans to further improve our facilities in the near future.

**Cheltenham and the Cotswolds**

Cheltenham is an extremely attractive Regency town of about 100 000 people. It is situated at the foot of the Cotswold escarpment and a wide range of outdoor activities are thus on our doorstep. The College is situated about 10 minutes’ walk south of the town centre. The town has a vibrant cultural life, and hosts a number of nationally-renowned festivals. The Times Literature festival in October is the best known and affords the Prep the opportunity to take students to attend talks from leading authors (including many eminent scientists) and other events in a range of subjects. The Cheltenham Science festival in June is exploited well by the department. Music, Jazz, Cricket, and Food and Drink festivals, in addition to thriving markets and dozens of outstanding restaurants contribute further to making Cheltenham an enjoyable place to live and work.

**Expectations**

Members of Common Room are expected to teach their subject[s], to act as tutors, to be attached to a House, to make substantial contributions to the activities and co-curricular programmes and to carry out supervision duties at break, lunch or after school as required (on a pro-rata basis for part time staff). The Prep works a six day week and sports fixtures regularly occur on Saturday mornings, with adjustments made to the working pattern to accommodate this part time role.

Although hours of work are not specified precisely, staff are expected to be in school by 8.00am and the working day for pupils begins with a registration period at 8.30 am. The post will include some evening commitments during term time for parents’ evenings and some House events. Outside of the formal term times they are expected to be in school for Prep School or departmental INSET and to be available to fulfil any reasonable duties.

**Terms and Conditions**

* College has its own salary scale.
* Service with the College is pensionable in accordance with the Teachers’ Pension Scheme.
* Single accommodation may be available.
* Members of staff may use the College sports’ facilities (at staff allocated times)
* Subsidised health scheme membership (Benenden)

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