



**The Blue Coat
School**



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Dear Potential Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Science at The Blue Coat School (<http://www.blue-coat.org>)

From humble beginnings, we have become one of the biggest, and most successful schools in the country. The school has a national reputation for high-quality teaching and learning, pastoral care, consistently high examinations results, and outstanding progress. Our most recent Ofsted Inspection, in 2022, judged the school to be outstanding in every category.

Blue Coat is dedicated to serving young people, to enable them to become everything they can be and everything they are meant to be. We are a Church of England school that welcomes other Christian denominations, and of other faiths, and none. Our Anglican beliefs, values and worship are the core of our life together in school.

We are looking to appoint an exceptional teacher to join our Science Department. We want to appoint someone who is passionate and enthusiastic about science but who also has a genuine love of science that they want to share with our young people. Many of our students go on to study a specialist science subject at A Level and at university, and we want to appoint someone who will inspire the next generation of scientists.

Science is a popular and valued subject at Blue Coat. The successful candidate will be joining a large, knowledgeable, experienced, and professional department and in this environment, they will be able to grow and develop as a professional. Working in a department with 19 science specialists provides the platform for thoughtful, intelligent, inquisitive and professional dialogue around what makes exceptional science teaching.

Our curriculum is underpinned by a consistent pedagogy that understands how pupils learn and make progress in science. As well as consistent approaches to pedagogy, lessons are also very practical as this is how young people learn, have fun and most importantly, develop a passion for science. We have centrally prepared schemes of work and resources are shared and made available for staff. Student behaviour and engagement in lessons is exceptional and cited by staff as one of the many benefits of working at Blue Coat.

The successful candidate will teach Science across Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4. We will shape the teaching requirements of the successful candidate around their areas of specialism and experience to date.

**Continuing our
legacy of excellence.**

We are a proud member of Cranmer Education Trust.
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Science is one of our most popular subjects at A Level and there is also the opportunity for the successful candidate to teach across Key Stage 5 now or in the future if they wish, but this is not a requirement of the role.

Our aim is that all our pupils become good human beings – good friends, neighbours, citizens – people we are proud to know. Their social and emotional development, their self-respect and their ability to self-manage are just as important as their cognitive development. Pupils who are happy and secure in their school learn well and become successful people. High-quality pastoral care is at the core of the school.

In brief we are looking for:

- A teacher committed to ambition, excellence and community who will work with staff across the school to drive the growth and development of The Blue Coat School as an outstanding provider for our young people.
- An inspiring informed educationalist with a clear understanding of what makes exceptional teaching in science.
- Someone who will do their utmost to ensure that all of our pupils' leave with a love and passion for science and physics that they will take with them into their adult lives.
- Someone who will inspire pupils and the staff they work with and build strong relationships with our parents, carers and community partners.

This is an exciting and challenging role. It is a post for a dedicated, energetic and creative professional to work and flourish in an outstanding school and an outstanding science department. The demands will be varied, interesting and developmental. The person specification sets out the key experience, commitment and essential professional skills and qualities that we are looking for.

Full details about the post and application form are available from:

<https://careers.cranmereducationtrust.com/vacancies>

If you would like to discuss the position further, please contact Mrs C Ainsworth, PA to Headteacher (secretary@blue-coat.org) to arrange a call or visit to the school with a member of the Science Leadership team.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr R Higgins
Headteacher

