



Woodford County High School  
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## Teacher of Religious Studies Pay Spine (Outer London)

Woodford County High School is an 11-18 selective girls' community school. It is set in attractive grounds and offers a very pleasant and friendly working environment. Hitherto a four form of entry school (4fe), we took our first 6fe cohort into Year 7 in September 2016. Building work associated with the school's expansion has greatly improved our accommodation as the school enters its centenary Year. (2019).

Religious Studies is a popular and well liked subject within the school. Student voice surveys have been overwhelmingly positive about student experiences in Religious Studies. GCSE is becoming more popular and we currently have two teaching groups in Year 10 and in Year 11. The subject is also expanding at A-level and will have two teaching groups as of September 2019.

As a department we are very pleased with our GCSE results. 76% of our students received a level 7 or above with 45% of the entire cohort achieving a level 9. 100% of our A-level students achieved a 'B' grade which was in line with expectations.

Religious Studies teaching takes place within its own dedicated department consisting of three adjacent teaching rooms. There is also a small office space which is shared by all teaching staff. Two of the classrooms are equipped with a small bank of 4 PC's.

There are 3 Religious Studies teachers currently in the department – two full-time and one part-time. The department staff are very experienced and will provide a supportive environment for any new member of the team. The Head of Department has been in post for 2 years and has 6 years of previous Subject Leader experience. The other full-time teacher has been in education for 25 years, the department for 14 years and also has previous Head of Department experience. The position of full-time teacher of Religious Studies arises due to continuing school expansion and the need to fill additional teaching hours.

Woodford County High School operates a two week timetable split into Week A and Week B. Students in Year 7 and 8 receive 3 hours of teaching a fortnight and 2 hours a fortnight in Year 9. Students studying GCSE have 5 hours a fortnight and A-level students have 8 lessons a fortnight.

Students touch upon all of the major religions in KS3 and also look at various philosophical and ethical areas of study in Year 9. GCSE students cover the Edexcel Specification B through Christianity and Islam. A-level students follow the Edexcel Religious Studies specification covering, The Philosophy of Religion, Religion and Ethics and Christianity.

We are looking for a Religious Studies teacher who is:

- Secure in subject knowledge.
- A Religious Studies specialist with a willingness to teach all Key Stages. Though initial teaching will be focused on KS3 and KS4.
- ICT literate and able to contribute to the use of ICT to support teaching and learning.
- A confident and effective classroom practitioner, who can demonstrate an awareness of different student needs and learning styles.
- Resourceful, organised and willing to share good practice.
- Co-operative and solution orientated.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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**London Borough of Redbridge**

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