



**BEDSTONE**

# Information for Applicants





## Welcome

Set in an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty in the South Shropshire Hills and just 12 miles from the famous medieval walled market town of Ludlow, Bedstone College is a quintessentially British Independent school. With the historic towns of Hereford and Shrewsbury within 25 miles, there are excellent transport links to the rest of the UK. Birmingham International airport is just over an hour away by car.

The world that we are preparing our young people for is very different to the one that we, as adults, were prepared for during our school years. Many schools talk about fulfilling potential or blending academic excellence with outstanding extra-curricular provision; at Bedstone College we value the meaning of success in the widest sense. Our students come from a very wide range of backgrounds and abilities yet each of them has something within them that is special. It is this focus on trying to uncover that special talent and using it to build confidence and self-esteem that makes Bedstone much more than a school. We pride ourselves on our family ethos where effort, commitment, loyalty and service are valued as much as natural talents and abilities.

## Academic

Bedstone College is an independent, co-educational, day and boarding school catering for young people between the ages of 4 and 18 through both our junior and senior schools. Despite being a non-selective school with an international community, students regularly outperform national norms and are often accepted at top universities including Oxford and Cambridge.





## Working with us :

A new vision, focusing on providing personalised education, will guide the school in the next phase of its development and we are specifically looking for staff who are sympathetic with our core values. We continue to focus on improving the educational experience in the classroom with committed staff who strive to ensure that all students fulfil their personal best. Bedstone College is a rewarding place to teach with students who are motivated and keen to learn.

All classrooms are fitted with interactive TV panels. Following on from our effective and appreciated online learning provision during lockdown, Google Classroom is used as a learning tool. I pads aid classroom teaching and there are 2 bookable IT suites and a meeting room with an interactive panel and cameras for use as a long distance classroom/meeting facility. We use Schoolbase as our SMS.

The senior management team consists of the Head, Mr Toby Mullins, Deputy Head, Mr Chris Braden and Assistant Head (Teacher & Learning) Mr Oliver Downing. There are 4 boarding houses, Pearson, Wilson, Rutter and Bedstone and 3 competitive day houses, Hopton, Stokesay and Wigmore. The School is divided into two sections; the Junior School housed in Chacksfield for students from 4 to 11 years of age and the Senior School.

Well-being for all our staff is of particular importance and, as part of an overall strategy for the college, several initiatives have been introduced to enhance our working environment.

The school is a member of the Society of Heads, the Independent Schools Association and the Boarding Schools Association and we expect all staff to look outwards and focus on their continuous professional development.





## The Role

We have an opportunity for an enthusiastic and knowledgeable Chemistry teacher to lead the department within the Science team. Do you have the qualities we need to give the pupils the education they demand and deserve up to and including A level? You will be innovative in your teaching, ensuring the students develop the desire to do the best they can. You will have high expectations of yourself and the students with the proven ability to inspire and motivate everyone to achieve their best in your subject. The Chemistry department is well resourced with its own laboratory and good results are achieved. It is a popular subject amongst our students with many going on to study it or related subjects at university.

Bedstone has its own salary scale and the salary will be set according to qualifications and experience. The College participates fully in the APTIS (Aviva Pension Trust for Independent Schools) scheme. There are also fee concessions with respect to staff children being educated at the College.

For further information about the school please visit our website at [www.bedstone.org](http://www.bedstone.org). Please look us up on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook and follow our students' adventures!





## How to apply:

Closing date: **9am Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023**  
Interviews: **W/c 2<sup>nd</sup> October**  
Salary: **Commensurate with experience**  
Start Date: **January 2024**

A person specification and full job description can be found on the college website [www.bedstone.org](http://www.bedstone.org)  
For any further details on this post please contact the Head's PA at [pa@bedstone.org](mailto:pa@bedstone.org) to whom enquiries about visiting the school and/or having an informal talk with the Deputy Head can be made.

Applications can only be accepted using the application form which can be downloaded from our website. Please then send it with a letter of application of no more than 2 sides of A4, and a CV if you wish, to the Head's PA at [pa@bedstone.org](mailto:pa@bedstone.org).

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

The role will be offered subject to receipt of references, proof of relevant qualifications and entitlement to work within the UK, prohibition from teaching and management checks, Enhanced Disclosure and Barring check, overseas check if appropriate and a medical assessment that all need to be satisfactory to Bedstone College.

All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post. Full details of safeguarding policies are available on the website.

