

BIOLOGY at St George's College, Weybridge

The Science Department at St George's College are lively, flourishing and friendly. They comprise twenty one staff and we have a suite of fourteen laboratories supported by eight technicians.

Due to the maternity leave of a colleague, we are looking for an enthusiastic teacher for maternity cover (full or part time) from April 2019 for one year. The teacher must be a good communicator, enjoying both the practical and theoretical aspects of the subject. The teacher will have the ability to teach across the full age range in Biology and Science at KS3.

Lower school science is based heavily upon the National Curriculum. It is coordinated in the first two years and taught by individual subject specialists in the third year when we take the opportunity to extend students' knowledge beyond KS3. At GCSE students currently opt for either Double award Science or all three separate sciences and they follow the Edexcel IGCSE specifications. At A Level the Edexcel specification (A Salters-Nuffield) is followed, with the department also assisting pupils with their applications to Oxbridge.

In Biology the emphasis throughout all years is on practical work. All L6 students attend a field course on the Isle of Wight in the Summer Term, where statistical theory is put in to practice. During the Summer Term, Third Year (Year 9) students spend a day on Environmental studies in the school grounds. Staff and U6 students participate in a Friday discussion group looking at the current trends in Biology and there is a lively First Year Science Club too. A number of national competitions are entered, namely the Royal Society's Biology Challenge (Fourth Year), Intermediate Olympiad (Lower Sixth) and the Olympiad (Upper Sixth).

ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

- a) Likely to be a Tutor to an assigned Tutor Group and to carry out related duties in accordance with the general job description of Group Tutor including implementing the PSHE programme
- b) To carry out supervisory duties in accordance with the DH Staff's Supervision Rota. This amounts to the equivalent of 1.5 Term's worth of duties, spread throughout the 3 x Terms. Duties are scheduled to avoid clashes with other areas of responsibility.
- c) To make a significant contribution to non-departmental extra-curricular activities, in addition to the above. Core contribution is defined as the equivalent of 1 x Term's Saturday Sport; this can be met in a variety of ways, including 1 x evening of contribution across 3 Terms, depending on the nature of the activity. Co-curricular contributions which exceed this can be eligible for additional remuneration, but this will need to be negotiated with the Head of Co-Curricular and DH Staff, once in post.
- d) The school has a House system and all staff are members of a House and expected to support its activities.
- e) All staff are expected to supervise EPQ students if required, as all students in the Sixth Form undertake this qualification.

CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

The salary will be dependent upon experience and qualifications. The College participates in the Teachers' Superannuation Scheme. The College adheres to the current statutory requirements for retirement procedures.

APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE

A completed Application Form, CV and a brief covering letter, together with the details of two referees should be forwarded to:

The Headmistress; St George's College Weybridge, Weybridge Road, Addlestone, Surrey KT15 2QS or by email to: headmistress@stgeorgesweybridge.com.

St George's employs personnel who are best qualified for the post without any discrimination in favour or race, colour, gender or national origin. All staff must be able to support the Mission Statement of the school.

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