

Fettes College

Head of Psychology –
Maternity Cover
with immediate effect





Fettes College is a leading HMC co-educational boarding and day school close to the heart of Edinburgh. It has a strong tradition of academic, sporting and cultural excellence underpinned by outstanding pastoral care. Fettes opened its doors in 1870 and became fully co-educational in 1980: it is now an Independent school of some 765 boys and girls.

There are 555 students in the Senior School (13-18 years), of whom 75% are boarders, and 210 students in the Preparatory School (7-13 years). The academic staff in the College consists of the Headmaster and 80 full-time members of the Common Room. Our Prep School shares the same site and consists of a further 25 full-time teaching staff.

Fettes College stands on a magnificent site of approximately 100 acres, but still within walking distance of Edinburgh's city centre. The historic main building holds the Chapel, Library, the English, Classics, History and Psychology Departments, as well as the Medical Centre and two boarding houses. A large recently-built teaching block (the Spens Building) houses Art, Modern Languages, Mathematics, Economics, Geography, and Music. The Theatre, Science laboratories and Dining Hall are adjacent. The Preparatory School and seven further boarding houses (including a purpose-built U6th House) are also on the campus. Our sports facilities (including extensive playing fields, two all-weather pitches and a private Health Club) are excellent.



The Psychology Department

Psychology was introduced to the academic curriculum at Fettes College in September 2017. Since then it has proved popular among Sixth Form students, many of whom this year have been inspired to pursue the subject at University level. The Department comprises one full-time member of academic teaching staff who is currently on maternity leave.

Curriculum

Psychology is offered in the Senior School to Sixth Form pupils and both the International Baccalaureate (IB) and A Level are taught. The Department teaches the Psychology IB at both Standard and Higher Level, and teaches the AQA syllabus at A Level. A high proportion of pupils have chosen to carry out their independent dissertation (Extended Essay or Extended Project Qualification) within an area of psychology.



Extra-Curricular

The Psychology Department offers pupils a range of opportunities to stretch and support their learning outside of the classroom. This includes a weekly activity programme to provide support, as well as termly events through the Psychological Society. Previous experiences have included invited lectures from guest speakers, day trips to psychological conferences, visits to university lectures, film nights, and a 'live brain surgery' event.

Resources

The Psychology Department has one dedicated classroom and is well resourced. The classroom is also equipped with an interactive CTouch board and all teaching staff are provided with an iPad. A substantial virtual learning environment for Psychology has been developed using Firefly, which features class notes, extension readings, digital video resources, and assessment and course guidance.



The Appointment

Anyone who wishes to discuss the position is welcome to contact Andrew Shackleton, Deputy Head (Academic) on 0131 311 6712 or at a.shackleton@fettes.com.

Conditions of the Appointment

1. The appointment will begin as soon as possible.
2. Salary will be by negotiation and will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate.
3. Employment will be subject to one month's notice on either side.

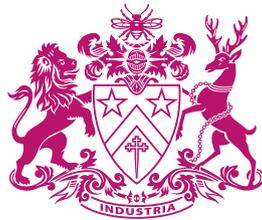
Other details and conditions of service can be discussed at interview.

The application form, accompanied by a CV and the names and addresses of two referees, should be sent to the Head, Fettes College, Carrington Road, Edinburgh EH4 1QX (Tel: 0131 311 6701 or email recruitment@fettes.com). Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.

H.F. Harrison
Head

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