



BOURNEMOUTH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Information for Applicants for the post of
Head of Economics and Business Education

September 2020

February 2020

Dear Colleague

Thank you for your interest in our school. We will have a vacancy for the post of Head of Economics and Business Education for September 2020 and having read the details of the post we hope you will wish to apply.

Bournemouth School for Girls is a selective girls' grammar school with over 1100 pupils, including 300 in the Sixth Form. At our most recent OFSTED inspection we were identified as 'outstanding'. In the latest Sunday Times Parent Power survey our school is rated 78th in the country. We are also a forward looking school – we are a member of the South West Academic Trust, a group of grammar schools in the region working together with Exeter University.

As well as Economics being an important subject area at A level, enterprise education plays an important part in the lower part of the school in helping to develop confident and well rounded, enterprise literate young people able to make a difference in the wider world when they leave school. For example in year 9 all pupils take part in an enterprise competition in which they develop, produce and sell products and then reflect on their experiences.

Other activities such as business breakfasts, practice interviews with local employers and enterprise projects all contribute to ensuring that our pupils have an experience that helps them understand the world of work.

We work closely with Young Enterprise and The Enterprise and Skills Company.

All pupils in year 10 complete a fortnight's work experience and all sixth formers also have the opportunity to complete placements.

The Post

This is a full-time post and the successful applicant will be expected to lead and teach Economics at A Level. The ability to teach another subject such as maths will be an advantage. Whilst it is likely that you will have some experience, applications from exceptional NQTs would also be welcomed.

You will also lead the wider enterprise education programme in the lower school, liaising with outside providers, our careers advisor and PSHE coordinator.

Economics at A level

We currently offer two courses:

AQA Economics
EDEXCEL Economics B

The department is well resourced with online subscriptions, laptops and exemplar materials.

The successful applicant

We believe the following qualities are also essential in the successful applicant:

- ❖ an excellent classroom teacher;
- ❖ able to gain trust and respect of school staff, pupils and parents;
- ❖ experience of teaching the subject at Sixth Form level;
- ❖ outstanding subject knowledge with an ability to share this with pupils in an exciting and academically rigorous way;
- ❖ excellent leadership and management skills with an ability to take staff with you;
- ❖ evidence of recent relevant professional development;
- ❖ outstanding communication skills, both orally and written;
- ❖ well organised and totally reliable;
- ❖ good knowledge of current issues relating to Teaching and Learning;
- ❖ ability to work under pressure;
- ❖ loyalty and commitment to the team;
- ❖ flexible in approach and able to see the big picture;
- ❖ enthusiastic and able to bring new ideas to the school and department;

We can offer:

- enthusiastic and well-motivated pupils keen to learn;
- outstanding facilities;
- an environment that encourages further professional development
- a school that values the part that enterprise education has to play highly.

The post will attract a TLR2.2 responsibility allowance of £4,656.

Application Process

We look forward to receiving your application by 9am on Monday 24th February.

This should include:

- ❖ a completed application form
- ❖ a letter of application outlining your readiness for the role of Business Education at our school. We are particularly interested to hear about any initiatives you have been involved in, assessing your contribution and its impact.

We hope to hold interviews week beginning 24th February.

Bournemouth School for Girls is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any successful applicant will be required to undertake an Enhanced Disclosure check by the Disclosure & Barring Service.

Please do also look at our website, our OFSTED report and the additional information for candidates to get a flavour of our school. I am keen to hear from you if you believe you have the qualities and experience necessary. I believe that BSG is a very good place to work and I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher