



Ewell Castle School

DT Technician

For September 2019

Ewell Castle is a small, thriving, independent school located in Ewell Village, one mile outside Epsom, in leafy Surrey. The school is co-educational from Nursery to Sixth Form and enjoys small classes, averaging approximately fifteen over the whole School. Ewell Castle has an excellent reputation for its pastoral care of pupils and enjoys a vibrant community spirit including regular events for staff, parents and friends of the School.

The Senior School occupies The Castle in Church Street. The Prep School occupies two sites in the heart of the village.

Ewell Castle School is seeking to appoint an experienced and enthusiastic engineering/product prototype workshop technician to join a thriving Design and Technology Department. The successful candidate will work closely with the DT teachers to assist in the delivery of lessons, support the Department generally and assist the Site Team in technical matters.

No formal qualifications are required, however, experience/competence with maintenance aspects will be an advantage and detailed knowledge of safe working practices in relation to the handling and usage of hazardous equipment and tools is essential. The successful candidate will have the ability to relate to young people and colleagues in a positive and constructive way as well as being able to work both as part of a team and unsupervised.

This role is available from September 2019. The DT Technician will work term time plus 1 week during the holidays. Salary will be subject to experience and qualifications.

Design & Technology is taught as a core subject at Key Stage 3, with the option to continue study at GCSE, and A Level. The department is staffed by two teachers and a technician. There are two design studios; one PC and one Apple suite. All computers run SolidWorks and CAD software. The Workshop is very well equipped with all the necessary tools and machines to produce high quality outcomes. Consideration of graphics is incorporated into our courses in the layout and presentation of product design coursework.

We take great pride in ensuring the Design and Technology Department is conducive to inspiring all who use the facilities. Design is a popular subject with a strong uptake at GCSE and A Level.

Department mission statement:

In our pursuit to maximise each pupil's potential we recognise that:

- not all ideas are necessarily good ideas, but all ideas have some element of value. Helping pupils to recognise this element of value in their design work is key to their progress.
- awareness and understanding of context, both global and specific, is crucial to the creation of responsible, meaningful and worthwhile design.
- teaching pupils to critically evaluate their own work is central to the development of ability.
- designers are optimists who welcome problems as opportunities to create relevant and valid design work.
- what is made, powerfully communicates individual and cultural aspirations.
- design is a blend of imaginative creativity, logical analysis, and practical making skills.

The Department is very active in and outside the School providing co-curricular opportunities, displays, links with the Prep School, links with industry, creation of theatre sets, involvement with marketing and more.

Benefits currently include:

- Children of members of staff benefit by a 50% maximum (i.e. unaffected by scholarship or bursary) remission of school fees. (The remission is reduced pro rata for a part-time member of staff.)
- Lunches are provided during term time, free of charge.
- A contributory pension scheme with generous contribution by the School.
- Interest free loans are available for the purchase of computers through the school.
- A 'ride to work scheme' is offered.

Ewell Castle School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). Staff recruitment is also subject to the School's 'Equal Opportunities' policy and monitoring procedure.

Further information about the School and an application form are available on our website:

*www.ewellcastle.co.uk . A completed **application form** with a **covering letter** (maximum single side of A4) should be sent to the HR & Compliance Manager as soon as possible by post or email (preferred to recruitment@ewellcastle.co.uk). Please note that we are unable to accept CVs. Correspondence should be marked '**DT Technician – Confidential**'. The closing date for applications is **Midday on 12th September 2019** and interviews are planned shortly after. We reserve the right to appoint before the closing date.*

Applicants invited for interview will be required to bring proof of identity e.g. passport, and qualifications to interview.

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