



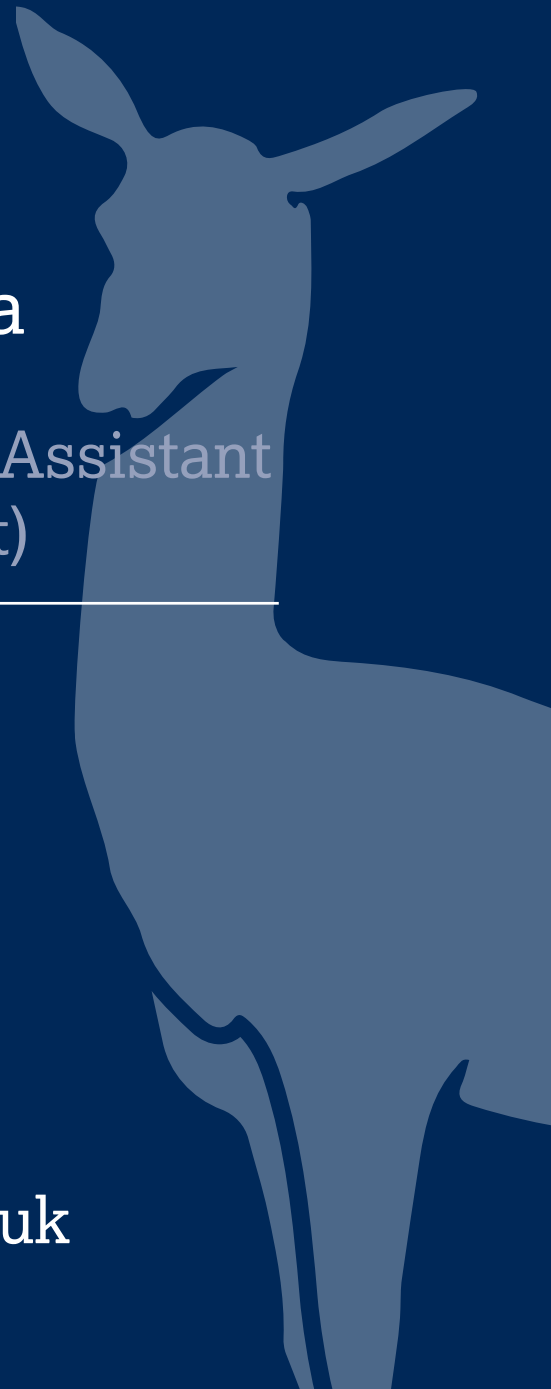
ROEDEAN

Independent Girls' Education
11-18 Day and Boarding

Roedean seeks a
Resident Graduate Sports Assistant
(Netball Specialist)



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ON SITE FARM	FOUNDED 1885	48% BOARDING
4 OFFERS FOR OXBRIDGE		BEST EVER GCSE & A LEVEL GRADES IN THE LAST 2 YEARS
ACADEMIC MENTORING PROJECTS	45 ACRES	
FLOOD-LIT ALL-WEATHER PITCH ON SITE	160 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	355 -SEAT THEATRE
GIRLS FROM OVER 40 COUNTRIES	£11m BOARDING REFURBISHMENT	125 YEARS ON CURRENT SITE
ISI (NOVEMBER 2021) EXCELLENT IN ALL AREAS	ON THE CLIFFS OVERLOOKING THE ENGLISH CHANNEL	620 STUDENTS ON ROLL

Welcome to Roedean



Roedean is an extraordinary school on an extraordinary site – the girls play cricket and hockey with the sea's blue in front of them and the green of the South Downs behind them, the Maths and Humanities classrooms have perhaps the best views of any in the country, and which other boarding houses have been likened to a boutique hotel? But it is not just the location, but the strong academic focus with a genuine belief in the importance of creativity and an all-round education that makes Roedean unique.

This is an exciting time for Roedean which has just marked the 125th anniversary of the School on its current iconic site, although the School itself was founded in 1885. Ever since its foundation, Roedean has been renowned for providing girls with an exceptional holistic education, and this certainly remains the case today: the girls excel in many fields, achieving excellent academic results, while also playing music beyond diploma level, and throwing themselves into partnership work in the community. There are A-E teams in Key Stage 3 Sport, girls achieve Advanced 1 in Ballet, design and race their

electric car at Goodwood, artists win undergraduate places at Central St Martin's, and a team of 6 students successfully swam across the Channel to France in June 2022.

The School has grown from 360 students in 2013 to around 620 in the current year. About half of that number are day girls, joined by boarders from over 40 countries.

Roedean's trajectory is very clearly upward, and the findings of our exceptional ISI Inspection reports in 2016 and 2021 judged Roedean to be 'excellent in every category' – the school is certainly 'going places' (Good Schools' Guide), and where it will be in the coming years is an exciting prospect.

Roedean really is a great place to work – we hope that you would like to join us.

Niamh Green
Head

The Role



This is a one year post that would be suitable for a person wanting to gain experience in an independent boarding school. It is a residential post and the successful applicant would be provided with shared accommodation in the school, and would work within a boarding house and the Sports Department.

They would be keen to immerse themselves in the life of the school community, gaining experience in the Sports department. This is an exciting opportunity for someone with a background in playing or coaching Netball, looking to gain more experience in coaching and teaching PE and Sports in a school environment, and also supporting the School's vast co-curricular programme as well as the boarding community.

The Resident Graduate Sports Assistant would be line managed by the relevant Housemistress with regard to pastoral matters, and by the Director of Sport with regard to their academic role.

Sport at Roedean



The school aims to provide a balanced, challenging, relevant and enjoyable programme available to all pupils, irrespective of physical ability, which enables them to:

- develop and foster positive attitudes to physical fitness and support a lifelong healthy and active lifestyle.
- develop strong physical literacy skills and a positive self-image.
- develop physical potential through a range of recreational, developmental, and competitive experiences.
- develop life skills such as resilience, communication skills, responsibility, teamwork, tolerance and fair play, perseverance, and organisational skills.
- develop and demonstrate leadership skills and act as positive role models.
- understand how a healthy lifestyle can improve wider achievement.

The Department



Roedean sports facilities include a floodlit all-weather full-sized Hockey pitch, multi-purpose sports hall, 25-metre Swimming pool, 11 Netball and Tennis courts and extensive grounds for Cricket, Athletics, Football, and other sports. A fitness suite and department office are situated within the sports hall complex.

This enthusiastic, vibrant, very well-qualified department has been integral to the recent success of the school with full and part-time PE teachers, specialist coaches, a strength and conditioning coach, graduate assistants and Heads of Sport in Cricket, Hockey, Netball and Swimming. Several external coaches work part-time to provide additional professional tuition for girls who wish to excel in their specialist sports such as badminton, fencing, tennis, horse-riding, sailing and karate.

Each year group has dedicated games sessions each week allowing squad practice to take place in addition to PE lessons. There is also an option for the older pupils to select from a range of physical activities such as yoga, volleyball, Badminton, spinning and strength and conditioning.

The department offers AQA GCSE PE as an option in years 10 and 11, OCR A Level PE and BTEC Sport.

Main Duties



The Sports Department

- To assist in the teaching of games lessons and co-curricular activities, helping the pupils improve their skills across a number of sports, specialising in netball.
- To supervise, coach and officiate fixtures (including weekend fixtures – this may be flexible to allow applicants continued high-level sports participation).
- To umpire other sports when required.
- To be involved with the setup and clear-up of lessons, co-curricular clubs and fixtures.

The Boarding House

- To assist fully with the responsibility for the happiness, wellbeing, health, safety and personal care of the students in the House.
- To take part in the daily House duty rota and the duties during the week and weekend, including ensuring that pupils are up in the morning; supervision of evening activities; bedtime routines including 'Lights Out' and checking that pupils have returned from a late outing.
- To be on call at least 2 nights a week.
- To provide guidance and advice to students on emotional and social matters.
- To be responsible for the pastoral care of each student whilst carrying out any duties around school.

Person Specification



- Educated to degree level and has prior experience playing, coaching or umpiring netball.
- Authentic interest in the care and development of children and young people
- Commitment to the safeguarding of children and young people
- Able to work both independently and effectively as part of a team
- Excellent administrative and communication skills
- A flexible and positive attitude is essential

Standards and Quality Assurance

- To support the aims and ethos of the school.
- To set a good example in terms of dress, punctuality, and attendance.
- To attend departmental and staff meetings as appropriate.
- To be proactive in matters relating to health and safety and safeguarding.

The School does not have a licence to sponsor migrants under the worker or temporary worker routes. Individuals who wish to work at the School will therefore need to hold or establish immigration status that allows them to work in the UK. The School is legally required to check that all successful job applicants hold the right to work in the UK before work can commence.

The Package



Salary: £17,000 for the contract period
Hours: Full time, term time only
Term: Beginning of the school year (late August 2025) until the end of the Summer Term (2 July 2026)

Accommodation: Suitable shared furnished accommodation will be provided. All meals during term time are provided and no bills will be charged with the exception of TV licence and phone calls

Other benefits include:

- **Pension** – Contributory pension scheme
- **Remission of fees** for a daughter attending the school, in line with the current policy of the School Council, subject to the usual standards and procedures for admission (currently 40 % - pro rata for part time staff)
- **Dining and refreshment facilities** throughout the school day
- **Sports and Leisure** – use of the swimming pool, fitness suite and tennis courts (subject to availability). Weekly yoga classes are available after work
- **Wellbeing** – Staff have access to a confidential advice and telephone support service. Regular staff social events.
- **‘Cycle to Work’ scheme**
- **Free parking on site**

Safeguarding



The post holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom s/he is responsible, or with whom s/he comes into contact will be to adhere to and ensure compliance with the School's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy Statement at all times. If in the course of carrying out the duties of the post the post holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the School s/he must report any concerns to the School's Designated Safeguarding Lead or, if he/she is the School's DSL, to the Head and relevant agencies.

Roedean is committed to the safeguarding of children. In addition to normal pre-employment checks, this appointment will be subject to a prohibition order check, an enhanced DBS check and a safeguarding interview.

Roedean is an equal opportunity employer and we welcome the unique contributions that everyone can bring to Roedean in terms of education, opinions, culture, ethnicity, race, sex, gender identity and expressions, nation of origin, age, languages spoken, colour, religion, disability, sexual orientation and beliefs.

How to Apply



Applicants must complete the application pack and return it to vacancies@roedean.co.uk or via post to Louisa Butler, Recruitment Manager, Roedean School, Roedean Way, Brighton, BN2 5RQ.

If you have any questions about the role, please email Louisa Butler in the first instance - vacancies@roedean.co.uk

Closing date for applications is 9am, 22 April 2025.

Why Work at Roedean?



At Roedean, we are seeking dedicated and enthusiastic members of staff, who are keen to prioritise the girls' well-being and happiness at all times. We are looking for those who enjoy working as part of a team, and who appreciate the importance of the girls' all-round experience at school. We are hoping that the girls will become life-long learners, always keen to undertake new challenges and learn from their experiences, and Roedean has the same

wish for its staff; the school is happy to provide support and training to facilitate the professional development if needed. All members of staff at Roedean enjoy strong and meaningful relationships with the girls, characterised by mutual trust and respect, and this was highlighted in our outstanding ISI Inspection report.



The School Today



Roedean now numbers around 620 girls, the result of an annual growth of 15 % since 2013, and it is enjoying markedly increased interest, both from local families and from those in London who are choosing to take advantage of the weekly and flexi-boarding opportunities. There has been an enormous growth in the number of pupils from Sussex and the UK, and there are about 300 boarders in the school.

Roedean brings together students from over thirty-three countries around the world and those who live very locally; these different cultures and experiences add a great deal to the girls' experience, particularly in our increasingly globalised society, and the ISI Inspectors remarked that 'the cultural development of pupils is excellent', and commented on the 'mutual tolerance and respect' which came from the integration between pupils from different countries, and between the day girls and those who board.

74 % of the girls in the first three years are now from the UK, and, in recent years, many local girls have had the opportunity to join the Sixth Form from state schools nearby, benefitting from the School's Brighthelm Awards.

Our partnership with St Mark's Primary, in the Whitehawk estate, is hugely rewarding for the pupils at both schools – there are over 20 joint weekly activities, we fund-raised and built a Library on their site from scratch, and one year-group comes to Roedean each week for a morning of academic and sporting enrichment. Furthermore, the Roedean Academy, a programme of academic enrichment for Year 10 students, brings together academically gifted and engaged students from six local schools in the maintained sector with those at Roedean, to challenge their academic expectations and broaden their horizons.



ROEDEAN'S ETHOS

Founded in 1885 by three sisters to provide 'a thorough, physical, intellectual and moral' education with 'as much liberty as is consistent with safety', the School has always broken the mould. Today, Roedean is determined to empower the girls to challenge themselves to realise their considerable potential; they are given the opportunity to grow up at their own pace, not constrained by finite expectations, and they have the freedom to develop their talents and passions. Roedean's ethos is clearly focused on the remarkable benefits of a holistic approach to education, in which academic pursuits are complemented by a wide range of co-curricular activities, and the founding Lawrence sisters would be delighted with their legacy today. With over 140 activities on offer every week, the girls enjoy international travel awards, a Farm on the school site, the annual House Drama Festival, and our flood-lit all-weather pitch. Roedean girls excel in a range of sports, and many musicians and dancers perform beyond Grade 8 level – all such activities have their own intrinsic value, but they also have huge benefits

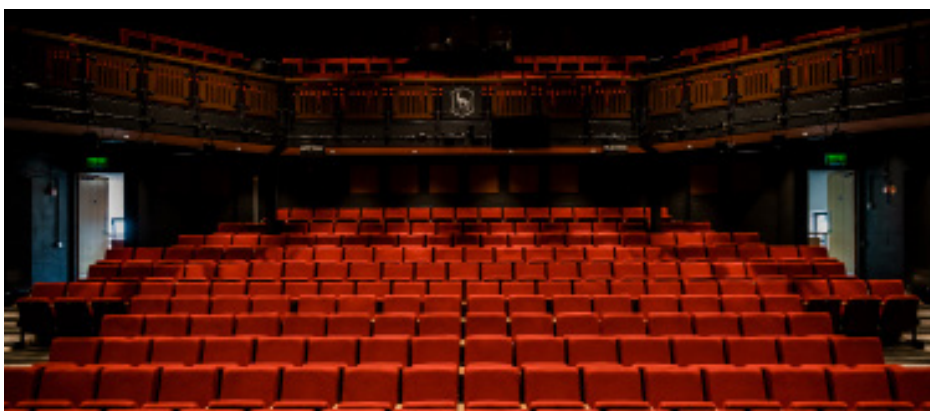
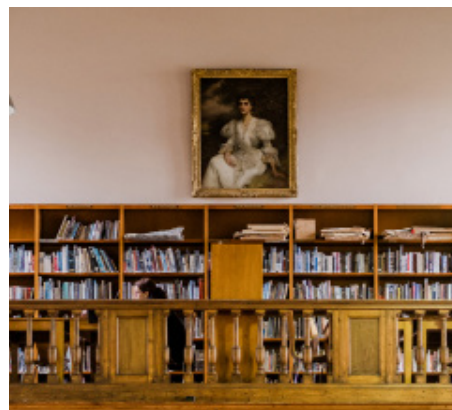
for the girls' academic endeavours. In 2021, the School introduced 'Wild Fridays', a programme which sees all of Year 7 spend every Friday afternoon outside, learning bushcraft skills and orienteering, looking after the animals on the Farm, and outdoor adventure – and they love it!

At Roedean, there can be no doubt that the girls' rounded education 'makes a considerable contribution to their personal development' (ISI Inspection), and it is precisely this which produces independent and creative young women who will make their mark in the world. In the same way that Roedean encourages the girls to pursue a variety of interests, we expect the staff to be committed to the busy life of this boarding school; it is wonderful when staff join the orchestra or play in the staff-student sports fixtures, and the girls love it when members of staff congratulate them on their role in the previous night's play or the goal they scored in the fixture at the weekend.

ROEDEAN'S CAMPUS AND FACILITIES

Roedean is located on a beautiful 45-acre campus, and owns a further 75 acres of land adjacent to the site. It is the only school in the UK to be set within a National Park and on a coastline, as well as being in the boundaries of a vibrant city. The Grade II listed main building and Keswick House were designed by the leading Victorian architect and Roedean parent, Sir John Simpson, who also designed the original Wembley stadium. The main building incorporates the four main boarding houses, the dining rooms, the Library, and the teaching and administration spaces. Later additions include the Chapel, Science Laboratories, the Theatre and dance studios, the Music wing, Keswick House and Lawrence House. We

also have an indoor swimming pool, a Sports Hall, which includes a multi-gym, and numerous playing fields to the front and side of the school. With a £1½ million refurbishment of the Sixth Form facilities in 2019, a small Farm on site with sheep, chickens, ducks, and pygmy goats, a refurbishment of our 355-seat Theatre in 2021, and a new all-weather flood-lit pitch at the heart of the School, Roedean certainly has wonderful facilities and buildings. A transformation of the Library was completed in April 2024 and delivers an outstanding study, research and exhibition space within the School's original school hall, further enhancing Roedean's academic provision.



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