

6th February 2024

Dear Colleague

Vacancy: Head of Computing, September 2024 MPS/UPS plus TLR2b

Many thanks for your interest in the above post. Computing is taught to all pupils in Y7, 8 and 9 and it is a popular choice at GCSE, with good outcomes. The KS3 curriculum is firmly rooted in computing, rather than IT, with a 'Digital Lives' strand that builds awareness of online safety in all its forms. At KS4 the department currently follows the OCR specification. The Head of Department is also the main teacher, supported by other colleagues from across a range of subjects.

The Chantry School is an excellent place to work. Pupils are well behaved and highly motivated. Parents are supportive and have high expectations. The school is characterised by its calm and purposeful atmosphere, with very positive working relationships. We have recently concluded a 5-year expansion, and there are now 880 pupils on roll. Progress 8 score in Summer 2023 was +0.4.

The successful candidate will have a clear vision of the department they want to lead that will provide high-profile, exciting, stimulating drama provision, both within taught lessons and with high quality extra-curricular provision. The school invests heavily in CPD and we have a strong team of teaching staff who are committed to developing their teaching still further. We believe we can always be better. The Chantry School is an excellent environment for a colleague to further develop their career.

Please refer to the job description and person specification for exact details of our requirements for this post. Essentially though, we are seeking a highly committed and talented colleague who is keen to work in a very high achieving school. Our pupils are motivated and well behaved. Staff are highly committed and hard working.

If you feel, after examining all the information, you would like to apply we will welcome your application. Visits prior to application are welcomed and can be arranged by contacting my PA, Lesley Webb, at the school. Should this not be the post for you, we wish you well in your future career.

Yours sincerely

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