

KING EDWARD VI ASTON SCHOOL

Appointment of a permanent, full-time Head of PE and Games

Information for applicants

- i. This is a permanent, full-time position with a TLR 2c allowance.
 - ii. The successful applicant will be required to lead the PE and Games department, teach students in all year groups, including Years 12 and 13, and undertake the role of form tutor delivering a fortnightly lesson of Personal, Social and Health Education. Experience of leading GCSE and A-Level PE is desirable, while the ability to teach them is essential.
 - iii. The position is effective from 1st January 2025
 - iv. The school has a modern sports hall on the main site along with new changing facilities and a brand new, state of the art fitness suite. The school's playing fields are located on Trinity Road, under a mile from the main site, and include rugby pitches, a cricket square, tennis and netball courts and recently refurbished changing facilities and meeting spaces.
 - v. All pupils in Years 7-11 have a weekly lesson of PE and, together with Years 12 and 13, a double lesson of Games each week. Further details on the PE curriculum can be found on the school's web site (www.keaston.bham.sch.uk)
 - vi. The department offers an extensive range of opportunities for the pupils to participate in competitive matches against other schools. In rugby, hockey, cricket and football the school runs year group sides and plays regular inter-school fixtures, including in league and cup competitions. Other sports such as basketball, badminton, table tennis and athletics have mixed teams that compete in local competitions.
 - vii. We are seeking to appoint a committed and enthusiastic teacher who will lead the department, including the leadership and management of staff (teachers and coaches); curriculum planning; and data analysis. The ideal candidate will be a teacher who has shown the potential to lead and enjoys working as a member of a team, has an optimistic outlook and who is constantly seeking ways in which they can improve on their current practice.
 - viii. Applicants will be expected to have extensive knowledge or experience of teaching at least two of the school's main sports (athletics, cricket, hockey and rugby) and be prepared to be involved in extra-curricular activities including fixtures on a Saturday morning. The school also expects all PE teachers to lead and run activities on the weekly extra-curricular timetable of at least one pre-school, two lunchtime and two after school activities.
 - ix. The school takes its responsibility for the safety of the students extremely seriously and applicants will be expected to demonstrate a clear understanding of their responsibilities in this area at all stages of the application process.
 - x. If you wish to apply for the position please complete an application form (available from the web site) as well as a covering letter (word processed, no more than two sides of A4, font size twelve) explaining why your experience to date makes you suitable for the position, the importance of PE and Games in the school curriculum and what you are able to offer the school. Both should be e-mailed to the Headteacher, Mr Brady, at vacancies@ast.kevibham.org If you wish to visit the department before applying please contact Mr Smart at d.smart@ast.kevibham.org
- Please note that references will be obtained prior to the interview. Referees must be able to comment on your ability as a teacher and must include the Head Teacher of the last school or institution in which you were employed except in the case of applicants still in training when one of the two references must be from the course tutor.
- xi. The closing date for applications is 9.00am on Thursday 10th October 2024 with interviews taking place on Wednesday 16th October 2024.

M. Brady
Headmaster