

BARKING ABBEY SCHOOL

HEAD OF PE RECRUITMENT PACK





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Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to Barking Abbey school and thank you for expressing an interest in applying for the position of Head of PE.

For me there are three simple things that I want us to achieve at Barking Abbey school.

First, our motto 'Give and Expect the best' leads us to want to be the best in everything we do. We have some of the best results in the area, we have pupils at the best universities, we have the most pupils on apprenticeships in the entire country, we have basketball players in the best leagues and so much more. We have all of this because we push our pupils and each other to excel. All of us try to be our best every day.

Second, I firmly believe that if you can't see it you can't be it. We want to give our pupils the chance to see successful people of every religion, colour and background whilst they are at school. Whatever their dreams we want to support them and provide the networks and contacts to help them to achieve.

Finally, we want our pupils to have a voice in the world. To be confident enough to express their views and also to have the knowledge to be able to make an effective contribution. The more you know the more powerful you can be in the world.

Sir Tim Brighouse said "If a teacher makes the weather the school creates the climate." and I firmly believe this. It is our role as a leadership team to create the best possible learning environment for our teachers to teach in. In return we expect the best possible teaching from them and our results show this over time. We have created systems and structures that support high quality learning, whilst minimising workload and maximising impact.

Our recent Ofsted report indicated that the school could be judged outstanding and so we are expecting them back to confirm this view. The report states; "Pupils learn and achieve very well. Pupils across both sites are happy and safe at Barking Abbey School. Pupils are motivated to work hard and enjoy positive working relationships with staff. Students new to the sixth form commented on how welcoming, inclusive and diverse the community is. Teachers feel listened to and well supported." (Ofsted, December 2022)

If you share our ethos and values and absolutely believe in the potential of all young people then we can offer you the chance to make a difference and change our community for the better, and look forward to receiving your application form and welcoming you to our school.



Tony Roe Headteacher

The Recruitment Process

We are proud of our school, the staff and students and in normal times we would warmly welcome prospective applicants to visit us prior to application to learn more about the role and view the School in action.

All interested applicants must complete the online application form on the TES website.

The interview process will be organised to provide a range of assessment tasks and opportunities for candidates to find out more about the school and demonstrate their ability to fulfil the role.

Key Dates

Closing Date for Applications

Friday 6th October 2023

Interviews week commencing Monday 16th October 2023

Please note all dates are subject to change.

To arrange your visit please email: jobs@barkingabbeyschool.co.uk

Completed applications should be sent to: jobs@barkingabbeyschool.co.uk



Advertisement

Head of PE

Commencing: January or Easter

Salary Scale: MPS/UPS + TLR 1A

Do you want to join a highly successful, popular, well-resourced and well led department?

Are you prepared to work hard with exceptional young people and staff committed to going the extra mile?

We are seeking to appoint an outstanding, innovative and committed leader who will play a significant part in the further development of the school. The successful candidate will be an outstanding practitioner with excellent knowledge and understanding of Physical Education and the appropriate qualifications. PE and School Sport is at the heart of Barking Abbey School and we would welcome applications from individuals with a record of successful outcomes across all key stages and extra curricular sport and who can demonstrate excellent leadership experience and qualities.

The successful candidate will have:

- An outstanding record of results, especially at Key Stage 4 and 5
- Detailed knowledge and understanding of Key Stage 4 and 5 PE Pathways
- Excellent knowledge of both academic and vocational qualifications
- Experience of leading a successful team
- A strong commitment to extra-curricular provision
- A detailed awareness of Character Education and its relevance within PE
- The willingness to go above and beyond for our pupils

The hours will be long but the reward will be the chance to work with and help shape our amazing students. They are overwhelmingly polite, respectful, considerate and have a fantastic thirst for learning. They uphold our school motto each and every day and they in return need the very best.

Barking Abbey is a heavily over-subscribed dual campus secondary school in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham, with a well-deserved reputation for academic excellence and a supportive professional environment.

The school is located less than 10 minutes walk from Upney tube and 15 minutes from Barking mainline station.

Barking Abbey celebrates its diversity, and we positively welcome applications from all sections of the community. If you are interested in making a difference in young people's lives whatever your background or history please apply.

In return we offer:

• A supportive and encouraging staff team

- The opportunity to access a wide range of CPD opportunities within and beyond school
- A school which understands the importance of staff well-being and workload management
- A positive ethos with excellent behaviour reinforced by highly visible SLT and centralised behaviour systems

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Please click here to find out more information about what it is like to work at Barking Abbey: https://www.barkingabbeyschool.co.uk/home/join-us/staff-vacancies/

To find out more about how teachers can secure rented accommodation at a discounted rate of 20% please contact: info@bdsip.co.uk

Barking Abbey is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and a comprehensive screening process, including Disclosure check, will be undertaken on all successful applicants.

Online searches may be conducted for all shortlisted candidates and will be conducted for all successful candidates as part of our due diligence checks.





Job Description

Job Title	Head of PE
Allowance	TLR 1A
Department	PE
Location	Sandringham & Longbridge Campus
Line Manager	Director of Sports
Responsible for	The provision of a full learning experience and support for students at both curricular and extra curricular PE
Liaising with	Director of Sport/Leadership Team, teachers and support staff, LA representatives, external agencies and parents
Working Time	Full time as specified within the STPCD

CORE RESPONSIBILITIES

- To provide high quality leadership of the PE Department, working alongside the other Heads of Department in the implementation and monitoring of the school's key priority areas.
- To line manage the PE Key Stage Progress and Achievement Leads.
- To be responsible for raising attainment at Key Stages 4 and 5, ensuring all students achieve at least expected progress in PE examination groups and to ensure that student progress is in line or exceeding national standards.
- To monitor the quality of teaching and learning received by students in Key Stages 3, 4 and 5.
- To implement and oversee the delivery an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for all students that is both engaging and challenging.
- To facilitate and encourage a learning experience which provides students with the opportunity to achieve their individual potential.
- To share and support the school's responsibility to provide and monitor opportunities for personal and academic growth.
- To ensure there is a comprehensive extra-curricular programme in place.
- To co-ordinate links and developmental planning with external partners and Sports Academies as appropriate.
- To ensure departmental risk assessments are in place and reviewed regularly.

TEACHING

- The post holder will be expected to teach in line with the school's generic teacher's job description.
- Designated non-contact time for leadership and management responsibilities will be made available.
- To teach students according to their educational needs, including the setting and marking of work to be carried out by the student in school and elsewhere.
- To assess, record and report on the attendance, progress, development and attainment of students and to keep such records as are required.
- To provide, or contribute to, oral and written assessments, reports and references relating to individual students and groups of students.
- To ensure that ICT, Literacy, Numeracy and school subject specialism(s) are reflected in the teaching/ learning experience of students.
- To undertake a designated programme of teaching.
- To ensure a high quality learning experience for students which meets internal and external quality standards.
- To prepare and update subject materials.
- To use a variety of delivery methods which will stimulate learning appropriate to student needs and demands of the syllabus.
- To maintain discipline in accordance with the school's procedures, and to encourage good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework.
- To undertake assessment of students as requested by external examination bodies, departmental and school procedures.

• To mark, grade and give written/verbal and diagnostic feedback as required.

LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

- To lead on the production of high quality schemes of work at Key Stage 3, 4 and 5.
- To organise the content and process of internal assessments throughout Key Stage 3, 4 and 5.
- To provide support, guidance and challenge for teachers at Key Stage 3, 4 and 5.
- To regularly monitor the quality of teaching and learning across PE Key Stage 3, 4 and 5 teaching groups and ensure areas for improvement are clearly and quickly identified.
- To lead on the organisation and delivery of Key Stage 4 and 5 interventions to ensure all students make expected progress by the end of the Key Stage.

OPERATIONAL/STRATEGIC PLANNING

- To oversee the development of appropriate syllabuses, resources, schemes of work, marking policies and teaching strategies in the PE Department.
- To oversee the department's development plan and its implementation.
- To plan and prepare courses and lessons.
- To contribute to the whole school's planning activities.

CURRICULUM PROVISION

• To ensure that the curriculum area provides a range of teaching which complements the school's strategic objectives.

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

• To oversee the process of curriculum development and change so as to ensure the continued relevance to the needs of students, examining and awarding bodies and the school's Mission and Strategic Objectives.

STAFFING

- To take part in the school's staff development programme by participating in arrangements for further training and professional development.
- To continue personal development in the relevant areas including subject knowledge and teaching methods.
- To engage actively in the appraisal process.
- To ensure the effective/efficient deployment of classroom support.
- To work as a member of a designated team and to contribute positively to effective working relations within the school.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

- To implement school quality procedures and to adhere to those.
- To oversee the monitoring and evaluation of the department in line with agreed school procedures, including evaluation against quality standards and performance criteria.
- To seek/implement modification and improvement where required.
- To review methods of teaching and programmes of work.
- To take part, as may be required in the review, development and management of activities relating to the curriculum, organisation and pastoral functions of the school.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

- To maintain appropriate records and to provide relevant accurate and up-to-date information for SIMs, registers, etc.
- To complete the relevant documentation to assist in the tracking of students.
- To track student progress and use information to inform teaching and learning.

COMMUNICATIONS & LIAISON

- To communicate effectively with the parents of students as appropriate.
- Where appropriate, to communicate and co-operate with persons or bodies outside the school.
- To follow agreed policies for communications in the school.

- To take part in liaison activities such as parents' evenings, review days and liaison events with partner schools.
- To develop effective subject links with external agencies.

MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES

- To oversee the process of the ordering and allocation of equipment and materials.
- To identify resource needs and to oversee the efficient/effective use of physical resources.
- To co-operate with other staff to ensure a sharing and effective usage of resources to the benefit of the school, department and the students.

PASTORAL SYSTEM

- To be a Tutor to an assigned group of students.
- To promote the general progress and well-being of individual students.
- To liaise with a Pastoral Leader to ensure the implementation of the school's Pastoral System.
- To register students, accompany them to assemblies, encourage their full attendance at all lessons and their participation in other aspects of school life.
- To evaluate and monitor the progress of students and keep up-to-date student records as may be required.
- To contribute to the preparation of action plans and progress files and other reports.
- To alert the appropriate staff to problems experienced by students and to make recommendations as to how these may be resolved.
- To communicate as appropriate, with the parents of students and with persons or bodies outside the school, concerned with the welfare of individual students, after consultation with the appropriate staff.
- To apply the Behaviour Management systems so that effective learning can take place.

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

- To ensure staff know the current legal requirements, national policies and guidance on the safeguarding and promotion of the well-being of children and young people.
- To ensure staff know the local arrangements concerning the safeguarding of children and young people and know how to identify potential child abuse or neglect and follow safeguarding procedures.
- To ensure staff know how to identify and support children and young people whose progress, development
 or well-being is affected by changes or difficulties in their personal circumstances, and when to refer
 them to colleagues for specialist support.

SCHOOL ETHOS

- To play a full part in the life of the school community, to support its distinctive ethos and vision, 'Ours' is a school where everyone gives and expects the best and everyone can say, "I belong" and to encourage and ensure staff and students to follow this example.
- Promote actively the school's corporate policies.
- Comply with the school's health and safety and safe-guarding policies and undertake risk assessments as appropriate.
- Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibility of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified.
- The above mentioned duties are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the post holder may be called upon to carry out such other appropriate duties as may be required by the Head Teacher within the grading level of the post and the competence of the post holder.
- The school will endeavour to make any necessary reasonable adjustments to the job and the working environment to enable access to employment opportunities for disabled job applicants or continued employment for any employee who develops a disabling condition.
- This job description is current at the date below but will be reviewed on an annual basis and, following consultation with you, may be changed to reflect or anticipate changes in the job requirements which are commensurate with the job title and grade.

Under the reasonable direction of the Head Teacher, carry out the professional duties of a school teacher as set out in the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document (STPCD).

Person Specification

Experience and Qualifications	Essential/ Desirable	Demonstrated in Application	Demonstrated in Interview
Excellent classroom practitioner.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Highly competent user of ICT.	E	\checkmark	
Excellent subject knowledge.	E	\checkmark	
Outstanding classroom management skills and rapport with pupils.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Recent relevant in-service training in Leadership and Management.	D	\checkmark	\checkmark
A good standard of general education including GCSEs in English and Maths.	E	\checkmark	
First Class Honours Degree.	E	\checkmark	
Qualified Teacher Status.	E	\checkmark	
Post Graduate qualification related to Teaching and/ or Leadership and Management e.g. MA in Education, NPQML, NPQSL.	D	\checkmark	
Current driving license and car for travel and transport between Sandringham & Longbridge.	D		\checkmark

Professional Ability	Essential/ Desirable	Demonstrated in Application	Demonstrated in Interview
Ability to seek areas for improvement and to successfully implement change.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Ability to monitor, review and evaluate the work of the school against current Ofsted criteria.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Ability to interpret data and communicate the significance of data to staff, students and parents.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Evidence of raising levels of achievement, in value added terms, as demonstrated by results at Key Stage 4 and 5.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Successful experience of coaching and supporting others.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Evidence of high achievement in teaching and learning across key stages.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Evidence of continually improving the teaching and learning of their subject.	E	\checkmark	
Evidence of monitoring and tracking of student progress within their subject	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Use of assessment and attainment information to improve practice and raise standards.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Evidence of successfully leading a team and/or a development within a team.	D	\checkmark	\checkmark
Experience of primary liaison work.	D	\checkmark	\checkmark
Ability to plan and resource effective interventions to meet curricular objectives	D	\checkmark	\checkmark

Personal Qualities	Essential/ Desirable	Demonstrated in Appli- cation	Demonstrated in Interview
Excellent communication and inter-personal skills.	E		\checkmark
Ability to act as a role model for students and staff, being professional and respectful in your dealings in the school community.	E		\checkmark
Ability to work well under pressure and meet deadlines.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Have a strong understanding of CP and safeguarding matters.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
A commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Have high personal and professional standards and well-developed pastoral skills and instincts.	E		
Enthusiastic and effective leader and manager.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Flexible, motivated, able to work unsupervised and an ability to deal with unpredictable situations.	E		\checkmark
Strong, ongoing commitment to developing own knowledge, skills and understanding as an educator including effective use of professional development.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Reflective practitioner who actively seeks opportunities to continually develop own practice.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Self-motivated with exceptional organisational and planning skills.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Tact, discretion and listens whilst maintaining confidentiality.	E		\checkmark
Willingness to take part in the wider life of the School.	E	~	\checkmark
Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.	E	~	\checkmark
Motivation to work with children and young people.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people.	E		\checkmark
Emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours and attitudes to use of authority and maintaining discipline.	E		\checkmark
Honesty and Integrity.	E		\checkmark
Ability to demonstrate an awareness of equality and diversity and to promote these through working practices.	E	\checkmark	\checkmark
Ability to work flexibility and outside of normal school hours.	E		\checkmark

Our Ethos and Values

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The Barking Abbey way is to give and expect the **BEST**.

We asked pupils to select three words that describe Barking Abbey to them. The most popular responses became the core values of our school.



Our vision is to provide a happy, caring and stimulating environment where all students will recognise and be given opportunities to maximise their potential – academically, spiritually and socially - and ensure that they are well equipped to meet the challenges of education, work and life.

Barking Abbey aspires to:

- Develop confident, articulate, assertive young people.
- Foster well-rounded, empowered, resilient, independent young people.
- Nurture young people who will go out and change the world for the better.
- Enhance opportunities through creating an inspirational learning environment where all students aspire to achieve their potential ensuring that no student is left behind.
- Raise aspirations giving students the necessary tools to explore and be who they want to be.
- Encourage individuals to be adaptable, aspirational and unafraid to question and evaluate.
- Engender a sense of belonging, and of pride in the school, themselves and their wider community.

Barking Abbey is a heavily over-subscribed split site secondary school in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham, and has a well-deserved reputation for its friendly and supportive atmosphere and its excellent academic achievements. With a large KS5 provision and an Additional Resourced Provision (ARP) on both of our campuses, the school provides a varied role for the right individual.



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