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Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Business at The Piggott School. We are an extremely successful, oversubscribed and happy co-educational academy. Our senior school site is on the outskirts of Wargrave (near Twyford) and our primary school site is in the village of Charvil.

The Piggott School was established in 1939 and, together with our primary site at Charvil, we are an all-through 4-18, mixed, comprehensive school with a higher than average ability intake. The Piggott School senior site has 1550 students and 175 staff.

The Business Department has a history of very strong results over a period of many years at all Key Stages. In 2020, we had CAGs and in 2021, TAGS. In 2019, 86% of students achieved a grade 4 or above at GCSE Business (ALPS 2). Students at A level Business achieved 66% A\*-B, 66% of grades were at A\*-B for A level Economics, and 100% Merit and above at BTEC Level 3 Business – single and double. Business continues to be an extremely popular subject both at KS4 and KS5. The post arises due to expansion related to the subject’s popularity.

The ability to contribute to the teaching of A Level Economics would be advantageous, but should not deter non-Economics candidates from applying for the post.

The Business staff team consists of 6 full time and 2 part time specialist teachers with a range of experience, from recently qualified to those who have been teaching for many years.

The department is located in a first-floor building in the Sixth Form centre, where there are dedicated, well-resourced Business and Economics teaching rooms, and a departmental office.

In each of Years 9-11, we have six classes of students studying AQA GCSE Business. In the Sixth Form we have four classes of students studying AQA A level Business, four classes of AQA A level Economics and a class each of BTEC Level 3 Business single and double award in both Years 12 and 13.

All teaching staff are focused on delivering inspiring and challenging lessons with best practice being shared amongst all to improve teaching and learning. The departmental team looks forward to working with a dedicated colleague who has a clear vision and commitment to helping the department flourish over the coming years.

Our mission is to be a school which inspires and encourages the highest achievement for each and every child. I believe that our school provides the correct balance and blend of academic challenge, personal care and enrichment that fosters the holistic development of each and every student.

The quality of teaching and learning at our school enables us to achieve our aim to help every student to develop into the very best they can be: to be independent in their thinking, to value lifelong learning, to be open to new ideas, to encourage respect and tolerance.

The care and guidance offered at our school by the outstanding staff provide a culture and ethos which successfully help every child feel safe, happy and challenged. Our pupils are a delight to teach, with OfSTED grading us outstanding for personal development, behaviour and welfare, leadership and management, and SIAMS grading our school as outstanding.

The following documents need to be completed to apply for the post.

1. Application form
2. Covering letter

Please visit our website for additional information about the school and to download our prospectus. Prospective candidates are also most welcome to make an appointment with Christopher Drosdzowski, Head of Business via email at DrosdzowskiC@piggottschool.org.

Please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Preston, my PA, (prestonc@piggottschool.org) if you have any questions about the application or appointment process, or any questions for me.

The Piggott School is a unique and inspiring school. I am seeking to appoint an outstanding teacher. I very much look forward to receiving your application and to welcoming successful applicants to our learning community for interview.

D J Gray

Headteacher

Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day.