

Teacher of Computer Science

Candidate Pack

Welcome from the Headteacher

Thank you for your interest in joining The King's (The Cathedral) School at this exciting time and to teach a subject which is of such importance.

The King's (The Cathedral) School enjoys a very strong reputation both within the city and the local region. As one of a small number of state schools with close links to their local Cathedral, our distinct Christian culture lies at the heart of the School. We are a single academy Trust, located close to the city centre of Peterborough, educating students from the age of seven to eighteen.

We are rightly proud of our student's academic achievements (progress is typically in the top 5% nationally for GCSE) but the educational philosophy at the School is far broader with students encouraged to take part in a wide range of extra-curricular activities including Sport, Music and Duke of Edinburgh.

You will benefit from teaching within a team where Computer Science is enjoyed through to A-Level by our students. You will join us at a perfect time where we have invested significantly into our IT provision. This year alone we have installed a brand new network, provided laptops for all our teachers and installed SMART boards in every classroom. We are a Microsoft School and students are becoming increasingly used to these suite of products.

For more information about the breadth of our offering and the School culture, we encourage you to read our Executive Self Evaluation Summary available here on our website.

John Harrison

Headteacher





Job Description

As a teacher, you will work closely with our other specialist and experienced teacher to ensure that students enjoy the subject and achieve excellent outcomes at all levels.

We follow the OCR examination board for both GCSE and A-Level. Our numbers studying Computer Science at both levels are strong and growing as students fully understand the significance of this subject. We benefit greatly from students who are well behaved and mature; they are aspirational in their aims and many graduate to study the subject at university and beyond.

Teachers really enjoy working at the school. They find our students mature, friendly and enthusiastic and our parents supportive. Colleagues often stay at the school for a significant period of time and find it hard to leave!

This post is both suitable for an Early Careers Teacher who would receive high quality mentoring or support or for a more experienced colleague who wishes to teach within our community.





Key Areas of Responsibility

As a Computer Science teacher you will be responsible for high quality delivery of the curriculum for the students within your care. Students access lessons regularly throughout their time at the School and the successful candidate will need to teach the subject through to A Level.

The subject is taught at GCSE and A-Level with a track record of academic success. You will ensure that this record continues along with an active engagement in further growing numbers.

A key aspect of the role will be ensuring that students benefit from a full extra-curricular provision, which may include regular lunchtime clubs and after school provision.

The King's (The Cathedral) School

The King's (The Cathedral) School offers a warm and friendly work environment with exceptionally well-behaved students. Staff retention rates are high and staff morale strong.

Staff benefit from on-site fitness facilities and child admission priority. The school continues to look forward with significant recent investment in our School site.

I would encourage all colleagues who are interested in the role to contact the School to arrange either an informal tour or a phone call with myself prior to submitting an application. We look forward to hearing from you. Please contact our Office Manager, Mrs J Baker (admin@kings.peterborough.sch.uk) to arrange.



School Summary

Number on roll: 1,247

Ethnicity: 52% White British, 27%

Asian British, 21% Other

Number of students with an EHCP: 45

Number of students with SEND

Support: 68

Number of students who are PP: 169

Attendance: 96.1%



Application Details

Application Process: Please complete both an application form and covering letter that explains your suitability for the role and motivation for applying. There will be a one-day interview for the role.

Deadline for applications: Friday 9 May

Interviews: Week Commencing Monday 12 May

Salary Details: MPS/UPS

There are Relocation, Recruitment and Retention Allowances available for the right candidate with this post.

Person Specification

Education & Qualification

Qualified Teacher Status Relevant Degree

Experience

An ability to teach topics across the A-Level course Working with students across the full ability range including those with special educational needs

Abilities, Skills & Knowledge

Personal Resilience Essential
An alignment with the School's Ethos and Culture Essential
Ability to empathise whilst acting decisively Essential
Strong communication skills Essential
Ambitious for self and others Essential
Attention to detail Essential
Dogged determination Essential

Key Information

The postholder will:

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Desirable

Teach across the age range from Year 7 to Year 13

Support the wider life of the School

Next Steps for the Subject

An exciting element for the department is the opportunity to innovate especially regarding the future teaching of Al. In recent years the team have particularly focused on embedding Office 365 and Microsoft Teams into the curriculum, particularly at Key Stage 4.

