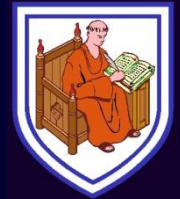


# St Bede's School

*'Christian Education at its Best'*



## Teacher of English

*Part-time or full-time*

To start September 2025

**Application Deadline: 09:30 on 23 April 2024**

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*Belonging*

*Education*

*Determination*

*Excellence*

*Service*

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## About St Bede's

At St Bede's we are proud to serve roughly 1900 boys and girls of all abilities, age 11-18, from the Reigate, Redhill, Caterham, Horley and surrounding areas. This includes over 300 studying academic courses in the sixth form. The school has an Anglican, Catholic and Free Church foundation and we work hard to create an inclusive ethos. Our aim is to ensure that pupils thrive academically, socially and spiritually within a Christian framework.

In March 2023 Ofsted carried out an inspection of St Bede's and judged the school outstanding. The report acknowledged that pupils behave exceptionally well and they are happy and safe. They are unfailingly respectful to each other, to staff and to visitors and their positive attitudes mean that lessons are rarely disrupted. The inspection highlighted that leaders in subjects across the school have created an ambitious curriculum. Teachers have a very high level of subject knowledge and expertise which they use to provide pupils with explanations that are rich in details, bringing the subject to life.

Attainment and progress scores at GCSE and A level are consistently above national averages. We are particularly proud of the English and maths results achieved at GCSE. Both departments achieved fantastic results at 4 and 7 grades.

Measure	2023	2024
Attainment 8	58.63	59.34
Progress 8	+0.63	+0.72
EBACC	45%	47%
EBACC entered	57%	62%
4+ English	92%	94%
4 +Maths	94%	94%

**Our school is committed to the safeguarding of children so all appointments are subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS check. Only applications made on our School Application Form will be considered; we do not accept CVs or unsolicited testimonials. It is our policy always to request references prior to interview.**

Please see our staff prospectus for further information about working at St Bede's.

*"Pupils enjoy their time in class and describe their lessons as 'inspirational'. The content of these inspirational lessons reflects the high expectations that staff have for what pupils can accomplish."*  
*Ofsted 2023*

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## English Department at St Bede's

We have a vacancy for a teacher of English to join us in September 2025 on either a part-time or full-time basis. Candidates should indicate their preferred FTE on their application form.

**Please note, applications will be reviewed upon receipt and as such, this vacancy may close before the deadline advertised. Early applications are encouraged.**

The English department, one of the largest in the school, is extremely successful. Teaching staff are very friendly, supportive of each other, professional and highly qualified. It is housed in a suite of eleven rooms, all of which are in close proximity. There is a head of department's office, a departmental work room, and a well-resourced stockroom and book store. One room is equipped with computers and has access to the school's network in order to accommodate teaching of media at A level. Each teaching room has access to its own range of multimedia hardware.

Year 7 are initially taught in mixed ability tutor groups. There is an increasing degree of fine tuning from January in year 7, then through year 8 to 11, with some provision for the most able students as well as those who need additional support in their work.

In Key Stage 3 all teachers follow the same programmes of study in terms of content, but we encourage a level of autonomy and choice in delivery and pedagogy.

In Year 7 students study: an introductory unit on poetry; Myths and Legends; Frankenstein (play); Gothic Descriptive Writing; an introductory unit on Shakespeare; the novel Enola Holmes.

In Year 8 students study: A Midsummer Night's Dream; an Imagined Worlds descriptive/narrative writing unit; Victorian literature: Childhood Experience; Rhetorical and Opinion writing; the novel Trash; The Power of Poetry.

In Year 9 students study: Journey's End; Other Voices (Poetry from Different Cultures); Romeo and Juliet; Animal Farm; Dystopian fiction; Introduction to Media.

At GCSE, students follow the AQA specification for English Language and all students are also entered for AQA English Literature. For A level, we offer both English Literature and English Language. We follow the AQA specification for both subjects (specification B for Literature). Both the GCSE and the A level courses demand great commitment from staff and depend for their success on high levels of leadership and efficient organisation. Colleagues are encouraged to develop and share resources.

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## Job profile

St Bede's is a voluntary-aided school in which staff are employed by the Governors and are firmly expected to work within the policies approved and adopted by the Governing Body and under the direction of the Headteacher. We expect all staff to support the Christian ethos of the school, maintain the highest professional standards and contribute to the development of St Bede's as a thriving community.

The contractual basis of this post is the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document and any other regulations currently in force.

### Purpose

To serve the mission of St Bede's as an ecumenical Christian school by teaching English within the English Department.

### Salary

Main Scale or Upper Pay Scale

### Responsible to

Head of English

### Key Accountabilities

- To teach English Language and Literature within the age range 11 – 18 (and potentially other subjects)
- To assist in the development of programmes of study, materials and schemes of work and participate in professional development programmes
- To follow school policies and procedures in respect of the duties of a classroom teacher and form tutor
- To perform the duties of a Form Tutor (as required)
- To contribute to the cultural and community life of the school, particularly through leadership of agreed activities within the extra-curricular programme

### Key Tasks

#### Teaching

- To form effective relationships with students, teaching staff, non-teaching staff, parents and other professionals
- To teach programmes of study effectively, mindful of the needs and responses of the young and the school's Special Educational Needs policy
- To provide a stimulating classroom environment
- To foster good working and learning habits in students
- To assess and record students' work, progress and attainment
- To make full use of a variety of resources, materials, books and equipment

**Curriculum**

- To contribute to the planning of programmes of study and schemes of work appropriate to the needs of all students
- To ensure that appropriate text-books, materials and approaches are recommended
- To keep abreast of professional and subject developments
- To participate in professional meetings and training programmes and to share the benefits with colleagues
- To participate in arrangements for performance management

**Pastoral Care and Discipline**

- To support the Christian life of the school
- To perform the duties of a Form Tutor as a member of a Year Team
- To contribute to the life of the community according to your talents and skills, particularly by leading and contributing to extra-curricular activities.
- To help exercise responsibility for the conduct and behaviour of students within the departments and the school as a whole
- To participate in arrangements made for the supervision and safety of students between lessons and at the start and end of the school day
- To attend scheduled meetings with parents
- To record students' progress and complete reports
- To maintain an up to date teaching record/diary
- To assist as required with arrangements for public examinations
- To contribute to the evaluation and effectiveness of administrative routines

**Meetings in which you will be involved**

- Department meetings
- Year team meetings by arrangement
- Whole school meetings

## Person specification

	Essential	Desirable
<b>Christian Commitment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong personal commitment to the ethos of St Bede's School</li> <li>Able to work effectively within an explicitly Christian context</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Personally committed and practicing Christian, member in good standing of any denomination served by the school</li> <li>Informed and thoughtful about current Christian issues</li> </ul>
<b>Education and Training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Graduate, good honours degree (2:2 or higher)</li> <li>UK Qualified Teacher Status</li> <li>Able to teach all Key Stages, including A Level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Additional qualifications or academic experience</li> <li>Evidence of ongoing CPD</li> </ul>
<b>Experience / Skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets national standards for ECT</li> <li>Successful teacher of English</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Successful teaching across age and ability range</li> </ul>
<b>Personal qualities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passion for learning, committed to excellence for all</li> <li>Credibility and confidence in dealing with people and situations</li> <li>Good communicator</li> <li>Good team leader, good listener and sensitive to people's needs while able to direct and motivate</li> <li>Relates to and understands students well.</li> <li>Good sense of humour and able to enjoy work</li> <li>Calm and organised under pressure, able to prioritise</li> <li>Resilient and determined</li> <li>Creative and imaginative</li> </ul>	

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## How to apply

If you would like to apply, please complete our application form for teaching posts and send it to us with a supporting statement (no longer than 2 sides of A4) which explains what attracts you to the post, as well as detailing the skills and experience you would bring to it.

Your completed application can be emailed to:

[peopleteam@st-bedes.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:peopleteam@st-bedes.surrey.sch.uk)

If you have any queries please ring the People Team on 01737 214048 or send an email to [peopleteam@st-bedes.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:peopleteam@st-bedes.surrey.sch.uk)

**The deadline for receipt of completed applications is 09:30 on 23 April 2025.**

We look forward to hearing from you.

Our data protection policy for job applicants is available [here](#).

