THE PIGGOTT SCHOOL

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Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Fine Art and Photography 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 1620 students and 175 staff.

The Fine Art and Photography departments have a history of strong results over a period of many years at all Key Stages. In 2021 we had TAGs and in 2020 CAGS. In 2022, 97% of our students achieved a grade 4 or above at GCSE Photography (ALPS 2) and 100% gained a grade 4 or above in Art (ALPS 2). In 2022, 100% of A level Art students achieved a grade A*-C (ALPS 2). All A level Photography students also achieved a grade A*-C (ALPS 3).

The Fine Art and Photography team consists of seven teaching staff, all of whom teach both art and photography, with a range of experience from recently qualified to those who have been teaching for many years. We work very closely together in a supportive environment to ensure that students make the best possible progress. We are lucky enough to have four art classrooms and two studio spaces for photography, one for A level students and one for GCSE students. The photography spaces are fully equipped with lights, back-drops and computers with PhotoShop editing software.

All Fine Art and Photography teaching staff are focused on delivering inspiring and challenging lessons, with good practice being shared amongst all to support continuous improvement in 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 move forward 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 students 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 Sarah Franklin, Head of Fine Art and Photography, via email (franklins@piggottschool.org).

Please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Preston, my PA, (<u>prestonc@piggottschool.org</u>) 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
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Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day.



