

Teacher of Girls' PE

Dear Colleague

Thank you very much for your interest in the post of Girls' PE. We are seeking an enthusiastic and inspirational teacher to contribute to its tradition of encouraging and developing keen sportspersons and encouraging all to get involved.

The Chantry School is based in rural West Worcestershire and is a high achieving, over-subscribed, academy of 880 pupils. Our GCSE results are consistently high and last year our P8 score was +0.40, placing the school in the 'above average' category for pupil progress. Teachers, support staff and pupils work well together, with a strong sense of community evident.

The school has excellent facilities comprising of a large, modern sports hall with an indoor climbing wall, fitness studio, a gymnasium, and extensive playing fields.

The department currently consists of 5 male and 4 female staff, some who are part time and some who have responsibility outside of the department, including a thriving primary school sports partnership. The department are committed to further developing the curriculum to ensure a broad and balanced curriculum that develops pupils' skills and passion for sport and builds genuine life-long habits.

Our pupils are keen to learn and respond extremely well to high quality teaching. There are two hours curriculum time per week for Physical Education at both Key Stage 3 and 4 with eight, mixed ability teaching groups at KS3 and eight at KS4. There is also both a GCSE and sports science option which currently attracts in excess of 20 pupils for each group. This grouping structure enables the department to offer a wide range of curricular activity and opportunity. At KS3 the focus is on a traditional PE curriculum, but at KS4 the opportunities to provide greater breadth lead to, for example, fitness options alongside traditional sports.

There is a full programme of sporting fixtures and extra-curricular activity and currently the sports offered are athletics, badminton, basketball, cricket, dance, football, gymnastics, hockey, indoor climbing, netball, rounders, rugby and tennis. It is an expectation that the successful candidate will take a full part in extra-curricular PE, and we welcome all new initiatives in this area.

The school invests heavily in CPD and we have a strong team of teaching staff who are committed to developing their teaching still further, and thus ensure that even more pupils reach their full potential. We believe we can always be better. The Chantry School is an excellent environment for a colleague to further develop their career.

Please refer to the job description and person specification for exact details of our requirements for this post. Essentially, we are seeking a highly committed and talented colleague who is keen to work in a very high achieving school. Our pupils are motivated and well behaved. Staff are highly committed and hard working.

If you feel, after examining all the information, you would like to apply we will welcome your application. Visits prior to application are welcomed and can be arranged by contacting my PA, Lesley Webb, at the school. Should this not be the post for you, we wish you well in your future career.

Yours sincerely

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