



Notre Dame High School, Sheffield

Teacher of Physical Education Permanent/Full-time

This post would suit either an experienced colleague wishing to extend their experience or a newly qualified graduate. At Notre Dame we are passionate about delivering high quality PE that enables each student to become the best possible versions of themselves. We enjoy teaching fun, creative and challenging PE lessons and through these we encourage our students to develop a disciplined and focused love of physical activity and sport. As a department, we don't just stick to teaching those activities we feel comfortable with. We push ourselves to learn more on a daily basis so that the students benefit from a high-quality curriculum that adapts to the needs of the students and the school.

Our PE team plan and deliver lessons that develop students in all three pillars of progression: motor-competence, rules, tactics & strategies and healthy participation. For the last two years we have also explored wider underpinning concepts within lessons such as confidence, growth mindset, goal setting and feedback. The concept curriculum will continue to roll-out this September to years 7-9. The successful applicant will play a key role in helping us to deliver and develop our holistic PE curriculum over the coming years.

The curriculum at Notre Dame offers games, gymnastics, trampolining, fitness & boxing activities, athletics, OAA and Sports Leadership. We currently operate a five-period day with sixty-minute lessons. All students have two periods of core PE per week in single sex groups.

AQA GCSE PE is delivered across two years starting in either year 9 or 10. This is a popular choice amongst students and the successful candidate will teach GCSE PE. In the Sixth Form, AQA GCE Advanced Level Physical Education is offered, it attracts not only our own students but also those from other schools in the city.

Extra-curricular provision at Notre Dame is excellent. Both staff and students enjoy sport and are keen to contribute to its programme. Clubs and practices operate before school, at lunchtime and after school. The successful candidate would be expected to extensively contribute to and extend this programme.

Other extra-curricular provision provides sporting opportunities in badminton, cricket, cheerleading, cross country, football, gymnastics, hockey, netball, rounders, skiing, rowing, table tennis, tennis and trampolining. We are also involved through 'Links' School Sport Partnership in events throughout the city.

The department is made up of four full time members of staff with several teachers from other curriculum areas helping in extra-curricular activities. The successful candidate will be fully supported by the Head of PE and PE team to become a key member of the department. Each member of staff has key strengths and together we support each other to learn and develop. You will be encouraged and expected to add value to our PE offer. Your opinions and experience will matter and your development as a teacher will be taken seriously. As a team, we want the very best for the students and we love teaching our subject!

FACILITIES

Notre Dame has excellent sports facilities which comprises of:

<i>Sports Hall</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 mini basketball nets and two full size retractable • full size netball court with indoor posts • five-a-side football posts • 4 badminton courts • cricket nets
<i>Gymnasium</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 trampolines • 3 trampettes • 3 spring boards • crash mats • benches • 3 boxes • 2 bucks • 2 horses • 7 table tennis tables
<i>Field/4Gsurface</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • marked out for football or athletics/rounders
<i>Astro Turf</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 mini pitches with goals
<i>Long Jump</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • with specialised run up and landing area
<i>Hard Court</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 outdoor permanent basketball court • 4 netball courts • 2 yard areas • six tennis courts
<i>Hall/Salle</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>suitable for dance, aerobic or fitness lessons</i>
<i>Fitness Suite</i>	Equipped with fixed weight machines, CV and functional fitness equipment. <i>This is used by both staff and students.</i>

Practical specialisms in at least two of these areas would be desirable: gymnastics or trampolining, netball, tennis or volleyball, athletics, HRF/boxing, rugby.

Candidates should refer to how their specialisms will contribute to the Department in their application.

About the school

Notre Dame is a Catholic school with a strong ethos at its heart. All staff are expected to uphold and contribute to the ethos of the school, which is what makes it a special place to work.

The ability and enthusiasm to contribute to extra-curricular activities in school would be an advantage.

Please state clearly any other subjects offered.

Notre Dame High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This post has a high level of responsibility for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Professional Development

At Notre Dame the ongoing professional development of all staff is a key priority. Our view is that we can always improve, not because we are not good enough but because we can be even better at what we do and that this in turn will ensure the very best outcomes for our students. We also aim to help staff to be ready for their 'next step' in their careers whatever that might be.

In order to achieve these aims we;

- Have an ethos of 'learning together' through joint practice development which is conducted in a supportive and developmental way. Staff are encouraged to take risks and use research and evidence-based approaches to improve their classroom practice.
- Encourage staff to be reflective and take the lead in their own professional development so that their individual needs are met
- Assign Teacher Developers to all departments to provide bespoke training and development
- Follow the Early Career Framework Programme of support for Early Career Teachers. This involves meeting together in groups to share and develop best practice and working with a coach on an individual basis
- Provide trainee mentoring programmes for those moving in to new positions for example middle and senior leadership

Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 9am on Monday 20th May.

Interviews to take place week commencing Monday 20th May.

Notre Dame High School expects all candidates to familiarise themselves with our Safeguarding Policy which can be found on the school website at <http://www.notredame-high.co.uk/index.php/our-school/item/687-school-policies>

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