



Appointment of Teacher of Physics Required for January 2024

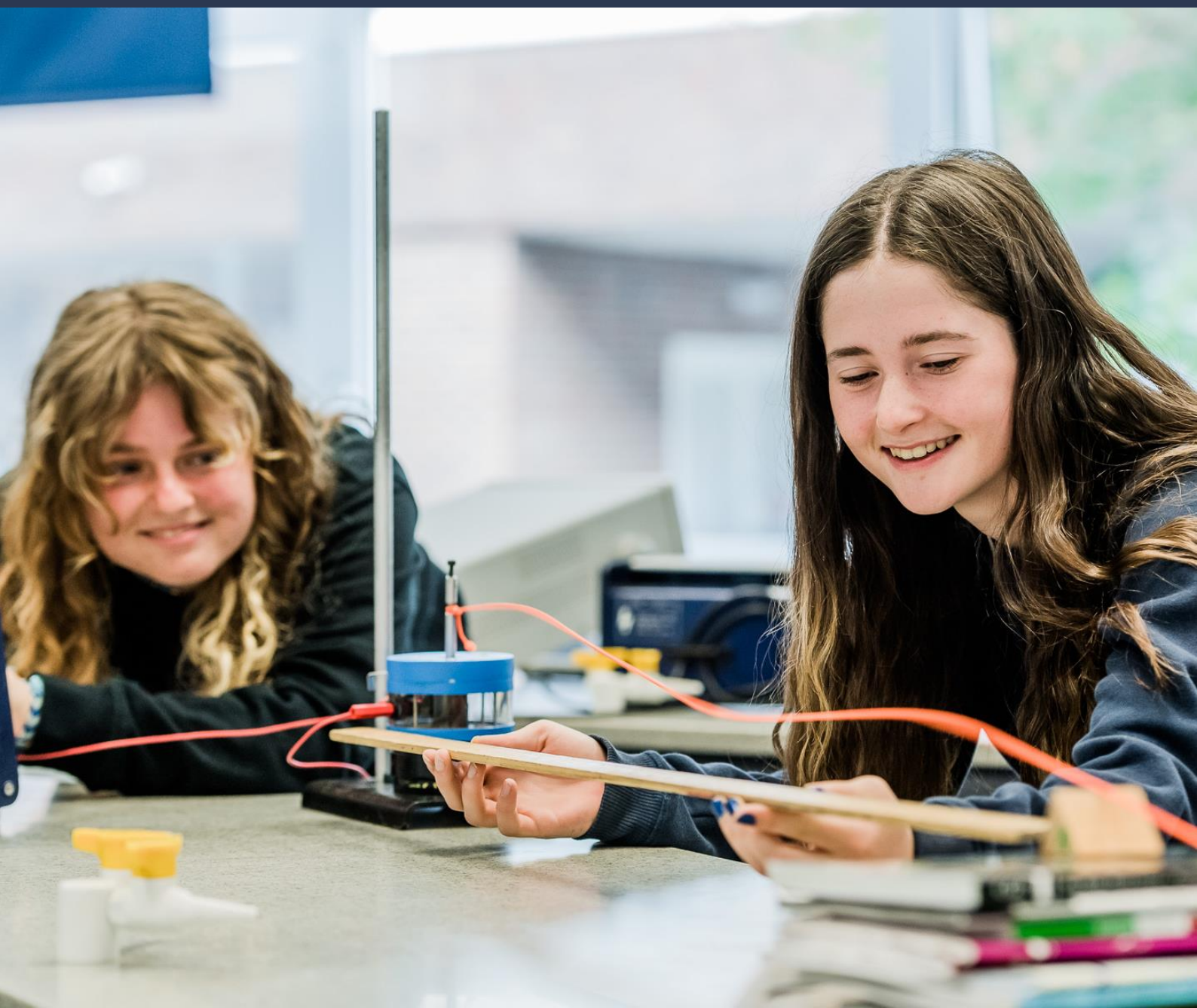
Teacher Pay Scale

(currently M1 £30,000 – UPS3 £46,525)

Full time preferred but part time may be considered (pro-rata salary)

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The Role

We are looking for an inspiring Teacher of Physics to join our highly-motivated Physics Department.

The successful applicant will be a strong classroom teacher with a successful track record of adding value to their own classes and their department, or an ECT..

We are ambitious, for ourselves and our students, and recruit staff who relish the challenge of being part of a school that goes above and beyond.

Our students are passionate about learning, motivated to succeed, and demonstrate exemplary behaviour.

As a national provider of Mathematics and Physics teacher training, and a centre of STEM excellence, this post offers great opportunities for future career progression at school, regional and/or national level. We have large numbers of students studying Physics, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Core Mathematics, Computer Science and Physics to A level and beyond. This post is suitable for an experienced teacher or an ECT.

In return we offer a culture which supports and energises people to be the best teachers they can be, where staff nurture one another and share ideas, where work life balance and wellbeing are encouraged and supported. This is matched by an excellent remuneration package and first-class teaching and leadership development.

Wycombe High School leads BBO Maths Hub and the National Mathematics and Physics SCITT.

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Subject knowledge of teachers is outstanding, and they willingly give their free time to support learning.

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The Person

We are looking for the right person to fill this vacancy; you are looking for the right school to work in. The characteristics we are looking for include:

- Good honours degree in Physics
- Qualified Teacher Status
- Very good practitioner, consistently rated as accomplished (or an ECT on the way to this)
- Excellent subject knowledge
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Keen to be involved in curriculum development
- Familiar with current subject developments
- The ability to enthuse colleagues and students
- Keen to develop own career
- Innovative, identifying alternative ways to resolve issues, improve standards and procedures
- Able to work effectively and calmly under pressure
- A shared approach to problem-solving and achieving goals
- Strong organizational, time-management and planning skills
- Proactive and able to use initiative
- Evidence of good relationships with young people and adults
- Ability to analyse data effectively
- Committed to the ethos, vision and values of Wycombe High School.

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How to apply

The application form can be found on our website:

www.whs.bucks.sch.uk/about-whs/vacancies

or apply here using the following link:

[Teaching-Application-202209.doc \(live.com\)](#)

To apply for this post, please complete the application form in which you should:

1. State your reasons for applying for this post
2. Outline the experiences that you believe have prepared you for this post
3. Describe the skills and strengths that you will bring to the school, paying particular attention to the person specification above.

Please note that the application form must be completed in full. It is not sufficient to substitute a C.V. for all or any part of the form.

You are welcome to telephone or e-mail the school to ask for clarification of any matters in this booklet or if you have queries on how to complete the application form.

Send completed application via email to:

Mrs N. Renyard, Headteacher
Wycombe High School,
Marlow Road, High Wycombe,
Bucks, HP11 1TB
Email: hr@whs.bucks.sch.uk



References

Please note that it is our practice to take up references before shortlisting for interview. If you would prefer us not to do so unless you are shortlisted, please indicate this clearly in your application. Current and previous employers will be contacted as part of the verification process pre-appointment checks.

When an applicant is short-listed, any discrepancies or anomalies in the information provided or issues arising from references will be taken up at interview. Your referees should include your most recent employer. References from relatives or friends are not acceptable.

Safeguarding

Wycombe High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff are required, before taking up post, to undertake a criminal record check through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). HR will carry out an online search on shortlisted applicants.

Candidates for teaching and support staff posts will be assessed at interview for their suitability to work with children. Appointment is conditional upon at least two satisfactory references which include specific comments on working with children and young people.

All staff at the school have a responsibility to promote and safeguard the welfare of students at the school.

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Pay and Conditions

Pay Scale

Teachers Pay Scale M1—UPS3

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Successfully appointed candidates will automatically be enrolled into the Teachers' Pension Scheme, into which the School pays very generous employer contributions of 23.6%.

We provide an Award-winning Employee Assistant Programme for staff, a completely free service giving staff 24/7 access to counselling, plus legal, medical and financial advice and support. We are also proud to be Mind Wellbeing Index Silver Award Winners for 2021-2022 and to have been voted The Sunday Times Parent Power 'Secondary School of the Year 2023'.

Equal Opportunities

Wycombe High School is committed to equal opportunities for all its students and staff, irrespective of race, colour or nationality, gender, marital status, family circumstances, religion, sexual orientation, age or disability. There will be no discrimination on these grounds, or for any other reasons which cannot be shown to be justified. Students applying for admission to the school and candidates for posts at the school will be treated according to school policies on admission and recruitment and with regard to British and European legislation.

Attention will be paid to the importance of equal opportunities education in both the formal and informal curriculum and our curriculum will be reviewed at frequent intervals to ensure that this policy is reflected in practice.

The Headteacher is responsible to the Trustees for monitoring this policy.

The school operates an Equality Cohesion Scheme.

Smoking And Alcohol

The school operates a no-smoking policy. Smoking is not permitted at any time on the school site.

The consumption of alcohol on the school site is not permitted during the hours of the time-tabled school day and thereafter only at the Headteacher's discretion during authorised school events.

Dress Code

The school has a dress code for staff:

Staff should dress in a business-like and professional manner, similar to the dress styles which are the norm along service industry professionals who regularly meet the public, such as bank staff.

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Benefits



Working In Partnership With Mind

We have worked alongside Mind (the mental health charity) since 2018 and have been awarded their Gold award for employers who have: 'successfully embedded mental health into their policies and practices.'



Disability Confident Committed Employer

A guaranteed interview for applicants who meet the minimum shortlisting criteria.



Employee Assistant Programme

This is a free, independent, confidential service for staff, their partners and dependents up to the age of 21, giving 24/7 access to counselling, legal, medical and financial advice and support.



Generous Employer Pension Contributions (23.68% employer contributions)

Teaching staff are auto-enrolled in the Teachers' Pension Scheme which offers exceptional employer contributions and benefits.



Mental Health First Aiders

We currently have five trained members of staff who are available to offer support and guidance to employees who need it.



Domestic Abuse Champion

A fully trained member of staff is available onsite, signposting to specialist services or organisations.



Onsite Car Parking and Cycle Scheme

Car park facilities are onsite, available to all staff at no cost.

A tax-free benefit available to all staff to purchase a new cycle or e-bike via salary sacrifice.

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Workload and Wellbeing Initiatives



Teachers' Workload Initiatives

- Condensed days for parents' consultations, with a collapsed P5
- Revised Assessment Policy to support with marking
- Weekly 'Learning & Teaching' briefings
- Disaggregated Inset Days plus two Academy Days
- Early finish at the end of each term
- Dedicated Subject Leader for PSHEE
- Staff encouraged to put their 'out of office' email at the end of the day

Staff Workload and Wellbeing Initiatives

We have a thriving Staff Association, and five Mental Health First Aiders, who organise social events for school employees such as:

- Christmas Party
- End of Term Celebration
- Yoga (subsidised, onsite classes)
- Social breaktimes, with food provided to staff
- Onsite subsidised canteen
- Corporate leisure centre membership (reduced cost to staff)
- The Virtual Staff, a platform for staff to keep connected online
- Bingo!
- Ten Pin Bowling
- Book Club
- Inset Day wellbeing sessions (e.g. staff quiz, nutritionist talk, Army team-building day, menopause workshop...)



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Candidates will be advised as soon as possible if they have been successfully shortlisted for interview.

Candidates who have not heard from us within seven days of the closing date should assume their application has been unsuccessful on this occasion.

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traditional grammar school.

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