

TEACHER OF CHEMISTRY REQUIRED FROM SEPTEMBER 2008 OR SOONER.

The Post

A well qualified graduate is required to teach Chemistry throughout the school. The position would particularly suit someone looking for a second post or a more experienced teacher, although a well qualified and highly motivated NQT would be considered. It would be advantageous if another science subject can be offered to Lower School or GCSE level. The successful candidate will be expected to undertake a teaching timetable of some thirty one periods a week, and become fully involved in the life of a busy boarding school, including an involvement in extracurricular activities.

The Department

The Chemistry Department comprises two full time and two part time Chemistry staff undertaking teaching over the full range of ages from 11 to 18. Chemistry is a popular subject beyond GCSE. Currently 26 students in two sets take OCR AS Level; most students stay on to take A2. Examination results are consistently very good. Chemical and Medical Sciences are a popular choice for students to study at University. At GCSE we follow the AQA Specification. From 2010 all candidates will take separate sciences; in order to facilitate this we teach the GCSE course over three years. In the Lower School (Years 7 & 8) we follow an in-house course in Foundation Chemistry.

The Department is housed in the Science and Maths building. There are three specialist modern chemistry laboratories, a chemistry preparation room which is run by a very experienced full time Chemistry Technician and a part time Assistant Technician. The Department is very well resourced and practical work in all year groups is performed individually whenever possible. All laboratories have data projectors, DVD players and video recorders. Teaching staff at Bloxham are issued with a PC laptop, as are all pupils when they reach Year 10, which offers wireless connectivity to the school's network. This gives Internet and email access throughout the school. PCs are regularly used to receive and send work to pupils via the Intranet. Up to date subject specific software is installed on all laptops.

As a Department we have a great love of the subject which we share with our pupils and aim to make the subject interesting, relevant and fun. We hope the person appointed will be equally enthusiastic.

A willingness to play a full part, both curricular and extracurricular, in the life of a boarding school is essential. Salary will be on the Bloxham scale according to the qualifications and experience of the successful applicant.

All applicants invited for interview will be required to teach a lesson as part of the selection process.

**Application forms are available for download from this website.
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