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BLOXHAM SCHOOL VACANCY INFORMATION FOR: **COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHER**

Bloxham School is an independent, co-educational boarding and day school for boys and girls aged 11 to 18 situated in north Oxfordshire. We are proud to boast state-of-the-art facilities for academic work, sport, technology and the arts on a modern, single-site campus. With around 500 students, Bloxham is small enough to ensure that each student receives individual attention, yet large enough to offer every opportunity a school twice its size could deliver. Our flexible approach to boarding responds to the demands of modern family living, with all our students joining us as either boarders, day boarders or day students.



THE VACANCY

Bloxham School is seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and innovative Computer Science Teacher. The ideal teacher will be able to teach Computer Science at all levels, be passionate about teaching and have the drive to succeed in the classroom.

COMPUTER SCIENCE AT BLOXHAM SCHOOL

The Computer Science department offers students a full computer science curriculum from KS3 with the option to continue through to earn both GCSE and A Level qualification. In addition to delivering the subject specific skills required for course specifications, we also cover a range of broader digital literacy skills to ensure that our students are not only expert users of technology throughout the school but are also prepared for higher education and the wider world of work.

The Computer Science department resides within the Raymond Technology Centre and makes use of a well-resourced computer room (comprising of adjustable monitors with docking stations, interactive whiteboard, BBC micro: bits and raspberry Pi's). Currently, we have students taking the Cambridge International A level and iGCSE Computer Science courses. Preceding this, our students experience a full KS3 computer science curriculum, including units on online safety, web design, mobile app development, cybersecurity, and Python programming.

KEY INFORMATION

Start Date: September 2024

Accountable to: Head of Computing and Digital Strategy

Working Hours: Part Time (possibly Full Time if suitable second subject offered).

Salary: Bloxham salary scale, dependent on experience

Closing Date: 9am on Monday 21st May 2024

BENEFITS

- Enrolment in the Teacher's Pension Scheme (Currently undergoing Governors' consultation with potential change to pension provision for September 2024).
- Tea, coffee, and lunch provided during working hours.
- Free parking on site.
- Access at no charge to the school's sporting, swimming, and fitness facilities, including gym and tennis courts.
- Strong, supportive staff community with a school councillor available.
- Opportunities for continuous professional development.



PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential Criteria

- A degree in Computer Science or related subject.
- PGCE qualified or equivalent.
- Excellent classroom practitioner.
- Willing to develop pedagogy and knowledge of the subject to increase student engagement and uptake at GCSE/A Level.
- An innovative approach to student learning and the ability to stretch our brightest students whilst engaging students of all abilities.
- Good classroom management which promotes student learning.
- Ability to be self-motivated, and a team player.
- Confident user of IT to enhance learning both within and outside the classroom.
- The emotional intelligence to contribute to the school's extensive pastoral programme and to be committed to the Tutor role.
- To be in alignment with the ethos of Bloxham School, including a commitment to the broader curriculum.
- A proven record of reflection and continuous professional development to your practice in the past and a willingness to continue to do so in the future.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for this role please complete the Bloxham School teaching staff application form. Applications will be assessed upon receipt, and we reserve the right to interview and appoint prior to the closing date.

Therefore, an early application is strongly advised.

For further information please visit the Bloxham School website. If you have any queries, please contact the HR Department on 01295 724379 or at recruitment@bloxhamschool.com.

SAFEGUARDING

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Applicants will be required to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). The school may carry out online searches on shortlisted applicants and all applicants will be required to provide details of their online profile, including social media account names/handles, as part of their application.

The safeguarding responsibilities of the post include: The post holder's responsibility will include promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom s/he is responsible, or with whom s/ he comes into contact. The post holder will be required to adhere to and always ensure compliance with the School's Child Protection Policy. If, while carrying out the duties of the post, the post holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the school, s/he must report any concerns to the School's Designated Safeguarding Lead.

The post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. The school is therefore permitted to ask job applicants to declare all convictions and cautions on a self-declaration form in advance of attending an interview (including those which are "spent" unless they are "protected" under the DBS filtering rules) in order to assess their suitability to work with children.