



## Lead Teacher of Science

This post is from September 2022 and is full time.

### Person Specification

We are looking for a professional with a commitment to working in a school with high standards and a distinct Christian ethos.

You will have:-

- An affinity with young people, a commitment to their safeguarding and welfare and a desire to see them thrive
- The ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with pupils
- The ability to communicate well with stakeholders including parents
- Relevant qualifications
- The ability to plan and effectively deliver curricula and schemes of learning
- A willingness to deliver excellent differentiation strategies for mixed ability classes
- A passion and ability to teach Science and share subject knowledge in dynamic and exciting ways up to KS5
- Experience of teaching at least one Science at KS5
- Experience of a range of teaching strategies and assessment strategies
- High personal standards of integrity, conduct, punctuality and dress
- A strong attention to detail and excellent planning skills
- A willingness to be involved with school events and to engage with the wider school community.

You will be:-

- Supportive of the school's Christian ethos and values of respect, compassion, courage, openness, diligence and proactivity
- Able to respond constructively to coaching, mentoring and feedback
- Emotionally resilient
- Willing to work as part of a team within their department and wider school staff
- Willing to take on specific projects and see them through to completion
- Positive, flexible, motivated and humble
- Well organised and skilled with time management
- Able to contribute to the co-curricular activities of the department.

Thames Christian School committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all who work at the school to share this commitment. Successful applicants will be subject to child protection screening appropriate to the post including an enhanced disclosure through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and checks with previous employers.

## Role

The post holder is responsible to the Head of Teaching and Learning for teaching Science within the context of the school's Christian ethos.

## Job Description

In order to fulfil the role, the post holder should expect to carry out the following:

- Lead the development and implementation of a strategic vision for science through long, medium and short term planning and monitor progress
- Implement strategies to improve engagement and progress
- Further develop appropriate schemes of learning for Key Stage 3, 4 and 5
- Plan and deliver well structured lessons and ensure that high standards of behaviour are maintained in the classroom
- Provide differentiated work, with a variety of learning styles as appropriate, to meet the needs of all pupils
- Ensure the effective deployment of the science technician
- Ensure the effective deployment of learning support staffs' skills where appropriate
- Teach Science in KS3, KS4 and, from 2023, KS5
- Prepare pupils for Science IGCSE and, from 2023, AS/A2 exams
- Set and mark homework in line with school policies
- Carry out and record appropriate assessment of pupils at all stages in accordance with Assessment for Learning and monitor progress
- Oversee qualitative co-curricular Able, Gifted and Talented and/or support activities as may be required including entering external competitions
- Oversee the requisition and maintenance of subject resources
- Arrange and take part in relevant trips
- Establish rapport with parents via regular reporting through formal reports and other informal regular contact as required
- Work effectively with the senior leadership team, the head of department, other subject teachers, specialist staff and administration personnel.

## Wider Responsibilities

- Contribute to the maintenance of the school ethos including standards of discipline
- Uphold the policies of the school including the Safeguarding policy
- Carefully follow the procedures of the school, including ensuring Health and Safety and Safeguarding procedures are followed at all times
- Act as a form tutor with responsibility for monitoring the welfare, discipline and progress of pupils within the tutor group
- Contribute to the school's Wellbeing (PSHEE) programme as required
- Supervise pupils outside lesson times as required
- Attend parents' meetings and other school events such as open days, plays, concerts, etc as part of supporting the wider work and activity of the school. These may from time to time take place on a Saturday or in the evening
- Participate in INSET days and staff meetings.

The above list is illustrative rather than exhaustive and the person appointed must expect to undertake other tasks and duties as may, from time to time, be requested by the Head.