

# PE Teacher (Full time contract) Required for January or April 2018

We are seeking to appoint a highly motivated, enthusiastic and well qualified teacher to teach all aspects of the PE curriculum, across the age ranges 11-18. The successful candidate should have a proven playing background and be able to demonstrate the ability to coach to a high standard in both Hockey and Netball. The candidate would be expected to contribute towards the teaching of GCSE or A Level PE as well as a small amount of Yr3-6 PE. In order to be successful you should have a passion for sport and be able to lead School Teams to County or Regional level. You should also be flexible, adaptable, have good organisational skills, be a strong team player and be confident in the use of ICT.

This is an exciting opportunity for the successful applicant to work in an inspirational team at a School that prides itself on its sporting activities. We have an extensive extra-curricular programme and there is an expectation that all members of the team will commit to this.

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The post would suit either a recently qualified graduate (full NQT induction is available), or a more experienced teacher looking to develop his/her career in a flourishing department.

#### About the School

#### Location

The School is situated in a very pleasant thirteen acre site in the conservation area of the town. Burgess Hill is a medium sized town with its own theatre, orchestra, cinema and leisure

centre. Burgess Hill is approximately ten miles from Brighton and Lewes, fifteen miles from Crawley and fifty miles from the centre of London. It is well served with fast roads – the M23 and M25. The school is close to the railway station (three minutes' walk).

## Facilities

The School is a blend of Victorian buildings and ultra-modern facilities; there has been a steady development of the facilities, including new Media and Art block, Performance/Drama Space and Fitness Suite.

## Curriculum

The School offers a full range of GCSE and A-Level courses in preparation for university entrance.

## Pastoral care

Our pastoral system is designed to encourage and support the development of each individual student from the moment she arrives in school until the time she leaves. We want to provide each student with the skills and confidence which will help her to make the most of her time with us, at university and thereafter. Implicit in the School aims is the expectation that every teacher will accept responsibility for the development in each pupil not only of the highest academic standards, but also of the confidence and self esteem which comes from being valued as an individual within a community.

## **Extra-curricular activities**

Extra-curricular activities give every student wonderful opportunities to explore her own talents and develop her individual skills to her full potential.

We believe that education is about giving young people the chance to be successful in as wide a range of areas as possible, and to feel a sense of pride in their achievements.





## THE DEPARTMENT

Physical Education is a thriving subject at Burgess Hill Girls and is extremely well supported by both staff and students. At present the Department consists of 3 full time members of staff, 3 part-time members of staff with a number of external coaches.

A double lesson is 1hour 20 minutes and at present PE is taught as follows: Year 7, 8 & 9 – 4 lessons per week (two doubles) Year 10 and Year 11 – 3 lessons per week (one triple) Year 12 and Year 13 – 3 lessons per week (one triple)

Physical Education is also taught at GCSE and A level and we follow the AQA syllabus.

At present we run clubs in all major sports and offer an extensive fixture calendar. We play competitively with many local schools as well as schools that are further afield. Most year groups have an A and B team and we compete at local, county and regional levels in Netball, Hockey and Athletics.

The standard of sport within the school is very high and teams are well thought of throughout the county.

Curriculum PE is taught on site and at the local leisure centre. Year 7 - 9 are set by ability in a wide range of sports in order to ensure all pupils get the best possible teaching. The school has a substantial amount of equipment and resources.

Physical Education is compulsory throughout the school. Years 10, 11, L6 and U6 are offered a wide range of activities utilising outside coaches and the local leisure centre. Zumba, Gym Class, Badminton, Swimming, Rock Climbing and the use of the fitness suite are some of the opportunities available. The emphasis is on recreational PE at year 11 and above.

#### THE ROLE (Full timetable)

- Implement and deliver an appropriate broad and balanced curriculum within the PE Department
- Undertake a designated programme of teaching mainly ages 11-18 with some Junior School teaching
- Assess, record and report on the attendance, progress, development and attainment of students
- Ensure a high quality learning experience for students
- Show a clear and infectious passion for sport, both 'for all' and to the 'elite' levels
- Be able to demonstrate excellent subject knowledge
- Prepare and update subject materials
- Demonstrate excellent organisational skills and to work collaboratively with colleagues, pupils and parents
- Use a variety of delivery methods which will stimulate learning appropriate to pupil needs with good use of ICT
- Play a major role in the Physical Education extra-curricular programme and lunch time clubs
- Possess the knowledge and expertise to lead school teams to County and Regional level





# **REQUIREMENTS FOR THE POSITION**

- We are seeking a well-qualified and inspirational PE teacher who has the ability to teach PE up to A Level.
- Particular expertise in the teaching of Netball and Hockey would be an advantage.
- A strong team player with a passion for sport.
- Ability to lead School teams to County or Regional level.
- Flexible, adaptable with good organisational skills.
- Confident in the use of ICT.
- Willingness to contribute to the extensive extra-curricular activities of the department and the School is essential.

## **RECRUITMENT PROCESS**

Candidates are required to submit an application form with supporting letter and details of two referees. One reference should be from a current or last employer and should comment on the teaching skills of the candidate. References will be taken up prior to interview.

The closing date for applications is **5.00pm on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017** 

Short-listed candidates will be contacted by telephone and interviews will take place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Candidates who have not heard from the School by the October should presume that their application will not be taken further.

Candidates will be required to teach a short lesson on a topic to be decided and attend an interview. They will also meet with key staff and be offered a tour of the School.

All appointments are made in accordance with our equal opportunities policy and applicants should let us know of any special needs they may have.

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

