

Wellington School

Teacher of Chemistry/Head of Chemistry



We are looking to appoint a Chemistry specialist to join the thriving and highly successful Science Department at Wellington School. The position becomes available in August 2017 and an appropriately capable and experienced applicant may be appointed as Head of Chemistry.

This is a post for a well-qualified, enthusiastic and inspiring teacher who is able to teach the full range of courses up to Advanced Higher level. He or she will have the ability to teach at all levels with confidence and authority and, as such, a degree in Chemistry or a closely related subject is required. We are looking for an individual who demonstrates a genuine love of the subject, enthusiasm for teaching it and an imaginative, creative and energetic approach to helping pupils to share this enjoyment. Computers, interactive technology and web based resources are an intrinsic part of Chemistry teaching and fluency with these, together with a thoughtful approach to their use, is essential.

We aim to help all of our pupils to achieve their full potential in Chemistry, to develop real confidence in their abilities and to appreciate the beauty and utility of the subject and we believe that experimental work is at the core of every successful Chemistry course. As such, the successful candidate will be confident in the full range of practical experiments normally covered in school and have excellent laboratory management skills. A large number of pupils choose to study Chemistry and many go on to pursue careers in closely related areas.

Wellington School is the only independent school in Ayrshire and the school roll is currently in the region of 520 (Nursery – S6). Year groups in the Senior School typically consist of approximately 50 pupils and most remain in the school until the end of S6. The majority of pupils study 8 National 5 courses in S3/S4, before going on to take 5 Higher courses in S5. Pupils in S6 choose from the wide range of Advanced Higher and Higher courses available and almost all proceed to university. Popular choices of course include Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine, Science and Engineering.

In addition to its curricular provision, Wellington also offers a rich array of other activities and a willingness to participate fully in the life of the school will be expected.

The salary for this post will be in accordance with SNJCT scales, together with a small Wellington enhancement.

The position is full-time and commences in August 2017.

Applicants must either be registered with GTC Scotland, or eligible for registration. All teaching appointments are subject to clearance through the Disclosure Scotland Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme.

Applicants should complete the school's Job Application Form and provide a covering letter, both of which should be sent by email to vacancies@wellingtonschool.org. A CV is optional and may also be included.

The closing date for applications is Tuesday 31 January.