

Wellington School

Teacher of English



We are looking to appoint a Teacher of English to join this highly successful and popular department at Wellington School. The position becomes available in November 2019 and applications are welcome from experienced teachers, from those who have more recently joined the profession and from probationary teachers.

The English Department at Wellington School is a vibrant and busy one. Our aims are to inspire and enthuse young people about literature and to support them in achieving their potential in all areas of literacy. There are 3 full-time members of staff, one part-time and an Assistant Head Teacher who has a small teaching commitment.

In S1 and S2, pupils follow a curriculum with the experiences and outcomes of Curriculum for Excellence at its core. Pupils begin preparation for National 5 in S3 before sitting the exam in S4. Almost all pupils move on to sit Higher in S5. Presentations in Higher and Advanced Higher are offered in S6. SQA examination results are well above the national average at all levels.

The Department offers a wide variety of extra-curricular activities. There is a thriving Debating and Public Speaking Club who take part in competitions both in school (Inter-House) and out of school (ESU, Rotary and The Law Society); theatre trips for all age groups; a Book Group and regular author visits.

The successful candidate will:

- have a good understanding of current issues in Scottish education;
- have an excellent working knowledge of A Curriculum for Excellence;
- have an understanding of, or experience of independent schools;
- have excellent analytical and organisational skills;
- have vision, drive, enthusiasm and a capacity for hard work;
- have excellent interpersonal and communication skills (verbal and written);
- be proactive and flexible, with a sense of humour;
- have an abundance of energy, and a willingness to go the extra mile.

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.

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.

The position is full time and commences on 1 November 2019.

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 10 September.