



# Biddenham

International School & Sports College

Principal: Mr David Bailey

Head of School: Ms Eleanor Grylls

## VACANCY FOR A TEACHER OF SCIENCE (MATERNITY COVER)

Job Title	Teacher of Science, Maternity Cover
Contract Type	Fixed-term for one year
Hours	Full-time
Level & Salary	MPS/UPS

We seek to appoint a well-qualified, professional and enthusiastic Teacher of Science to cover a maternity leave, commencing September 2021. We are particularly interested in a specialist who can teach Biology at A Level.

The successful candidate will join a team of around 17 staff (teaching and support) on their continued journey to become an outstanding department. Science results have improved in recent years and are on track for continued improvement this year; the challenge is to continue this momentum and build on the foundations already in place. The leadership of the department is supported by a co-ordinator for each of the Key Stages 3, 4 and 5 and there is a further member of staff with responsibility for the STEM agenda.

Science is taught throughout the 11-18 age range and at all levels of ability. It is taught in mixed ability groups in Years 7 and 8. In KS4, we offer both Separate Sciences and Combined Science and we follow the OCR Gateway syllabus. In the Sixth Form, students can follow courses in AQA Biology, OCR A Chemistry and OCR B Physics.

The Science Department is well resourced and is committed to extending and improving its range of opportunities for students. Practical experiments are a key part of the curriculum in Science, as we place great emphasis on enquiry in lessons. Our team is dedicated in maintaining curiosity and enthusing passion for our subject with all students. Teachers are well supported by our science technician team, and we have an established mentoring programme within the Department for new and recently qualified teachers. We have well established systems for tracking student progress, and all teachers benefit from being part of such a friendly, well qualified and collaborative department.

The successful candidate will be expected to be an excellent classroom practitioner. As a school we value highly the development of new and existing materials and the post will involve the opportunity to work on the review of existing materials and the development of new ideas. Above all else, the successful candidate should be enthusiastic about their work with young people and have a genuine concern for their development as individuals. The school sees the form tutor as a key role in the support, development and welfare of the students and teachers are expected to undertake this role with the same standards and commitment as their subject role.

Application	Job description and application forms are available to download from the School's website at <a href="http://www.biddenham.beds.sch.uk">www.biddenham.beds.sch.uk</a> . Please email applications for the attention of Julie Shepherd at <a href="mailto:hr@biddenham.beds.sch.uk">hr@biddenham.beds.sch.uk</a> .
Closing Date	This vacancy will close when an appointment is made and without further notice. Therefore early application is advised.
Interview Date	Interviews will take place upon application.

Biddenham School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to an Enhanced DBS check, Children's Barred List check, References and other checks.

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