



SPANISH TEACHER

(With Responsibility Allowance for the Suitable Applicant)

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and ambitious colleague to teach Spanish across the age and ability range. The successful candidate will join committed and talented team of 6 specialists. The Curriculum is organised into a series of modules and offers the opportunity for both subject specific and cross curricular work. Students currently follow a modular AQA GCSE course in Key Stage 4.

AGCE provision in Foreign Languages encompasses French, German, and more recently, Spanish and an excellent pass rate has been achieved to date across all subject areas. Teaching groups follow French, German, and Spanish AGCE courses, using the new AQA syllabus. The successful applicant would be required to contribute significantly towards the continuing development of the A Level course.

All students in KS3/4 receive three hours Foreign Language tuition per week, split into two ninety minute sessions. Students study French, German and Spanish in Year 7 on a rotational basis. Thereafter, they will study either one or two languages, with either one or both weekly sessions then being devoted to their selected languages. KS4 students specialise in French, German, or Spanish. The most able linguists may study a combination of French, German or Spanish. Constant review of progress and monitoring of performance allows us to target students in need of support and thus to assist them without delay. Over 95% of Year 11 students consistently achieve GCSE grades A* - C in at least one foreign language.

High standards are expected of staff, but environmental and working conditions are excellent. The Foreign Languages team's accommodation comprises five individual study rooms, each equipped with an Electronic Whiteboard. Independent Learning Centres are also available, giving access to a range of language programmes and also the Internet to support student learning from Year 7 to Sixth Form groups. The School offers an ICT rich environment for both staff and students alike, both having access to the whole School PC network at any time from any workstation. TV and DVD facilities are available. Technical expertise is not essential, as full training will be given.

The Foreign Languages team operates a programme of visits and exchanges with French and German Partners. Current developments include an exciting new French exchange link in Vannes and with a German school in Schwabach. We would hope that in time, a suitable link may be forged with a Spanish speaking school and would expect that the successful applicant will be willing to participate in a broad range of extra-curricular activities and foreign visits.

L Howard (Miss)
Head of Languages