



Blundell's

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WORKING AT BLUNDELL'S ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (TEACHING POSTS)

Job Title: Speech & Drama Teacher
Department: Drama
Report to: Head of Speech & Drama
Date: May 2024

ROLE

An experienced and committed teacher is required to teach a range of speech and drama skills to students throughout the school (Years 7-13), including International students, and to guide each pupil in developing their skills and technical proficiency.

The requirement will be between 13-16 hours per week, term time only, with the potential to increase. This post would suit someone looking for flexible working hours within the structure of our normal school day (8am-6pm). Speech & Drama lessons are an extra-curricular activity and the students' lessons are timetabled on a weekly basis with their Speech & Drama teacher.

THE DRAMA DEPARTMENT

The Drama Department is staffed by four subject teachers, a theatre manager and 3 speech & drama teachers. It is testament to the strength and popularity of the Speech & Drama lessons that we are now looking to add to our staffing for September 2024. The Department follows the New Era Academy syllabus which is taught to all year groups from Year 7 through to Year 13, from Grade 1 through to Diploma level across the whole spectrum of the NEA syllabus. Over 100 pupils are currently taking Speech & Drama lessons and we have a 100% Pass record, with the majority of the students being awarded Distinctions. In recent years, our students have been the recipients of Certificates of Excellence awarded to the highest achieving students worldwide.

TEACHING POLICY

Aims:

To foster in pupils an enthusiasm for developing performance and communication skills;

To enable pupils to acquire new knowledge understanding and skills in the specialisms taught.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential Qualifications and Experience:

This post would suit an experienced teacher of Drama. The successful candidate will:

- Be prepared to teach NEA exam syllabus and prepare pupils for NEA examinations;
 - Have excellent teaching skills;
 - Have an ability to inspire and enthuse students;
 - Fulfil the timetable commitment by regular attendance;
 - Liaise closely with the Centre Co-Ordinator;
 - Advise pupils about suitable repertoire, and to teach and encourage good technique, style and characterisation;
 - Have high expectations of all pupils, challenging their knowledge and understandings and encouraging and enabling them to meet their full potential;
 - Use personalised teaching strategies to meet the needs of pupils of different abilities;
 - Manage pupils well and develop good relationships with pupils through a balance of firmness and friendliness;
 - Insist on punctuality in attending lessons and set a good example themselves;
 - Provide fair, full and accurate feedback to parents, tutors and Houseparents via the reporting systems, as well as more regular communication where appropriate for individuals;
 - Be ready to ask for advice and to share difficulties in teaching with other colleagues;
 - Help to raise the profile of the department within the school community;
 - Experience of working within a boarding school is advantageous.
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Please sign to acknowledge receipt of job description.

Signature: _____

Employee Name: _____

Date: ___ / ___ / ___