## Teacher of English - King Henry VIII School

# Required from September 2024 - Permanent Role, Full Time

English is an incredibly exciting, diverse and creative subject. If you have a real passion for teaching and learning then our inspirational teaching team at King Henry VIII School is looking for a colleague to join the English department. Your dynamic and creative approach will help encourage and inspire our students across Years 7 to 13 in this, one of the Midlands' leading co-educational independent schools.



**Headmaster** Philip Dearden BA (Hons), MA Ed

This is an exciting opportunity for a PGCE Student, ECT or teacher in early stages of their career to join an experienced and collegiate department and develop into an outstanding practitioner of English, in a calm and ambitious learning environment.

King Henry VIII School (as part of the Coventry School Foundation) provides a forward-thinking and contemporary education for boys and girls across the whole West Midlands region. Located within a stone's throw of Coventry railway station, King Henry's has a diverse school community and is committed to inclusive recruitment and inclusion in the workplace.

Our school aims, both in and out of the classroom, are clear:

- To celebrate our diverse and inclusive community
- To inspire aspirational and authentic lifelong learners and leaders
- To empower courage, creativity and compassion in each student
- To nurture respectful, resilient and kind individuals

If this matches your educational vision, then this is the perfect time to join the English department, which consists of our team of 4 teachers in 6 dedicated teaching rooms. English is one of the many strengths of the school and is also a popular A Level choice as we offer both A Level English Language and A Level English Literature. Students have continued their English Literature studies at Oxbridge and other students have gone on to study English Language and/or Linguistics at universities such as the University of Birmingham.

At KS4 we follow Edexcel IGCSE English Language A and Edexcel English Literature. At A Level we deliver the Edexcel English Literature and AQA English Language specifications. We have dedicated A Level classrooms which contain a library of material to encourage wider reading, and also several computers for student use. Our IGCSE and A Level results are outstanding, as you would expect from an academically selective school with high aspirations for all pupils. At King Henry's however, we believe there is so much more to education than simply exam results. English is a discursive subject and the department believes strongly in enrichment; in all our teaching we aim to build evaluative thinking, confidence, independence and a love of English.

Teamwork plays an important role within the department: we are extremely collaborative, and we are committed to enhancing the experience of the students by sharing good practice, resources and ideas. We are looking for a well-qualified graduate to join this exceptional department who shares our vision, is passionate about English and who will bring their own individuality to this warm and supportive team.



In addition, any prospective candidate must show an active commitment to the values and expectations of our school community and to the welfare of the pupils within it. The enthusiasm to lead co-curricular activities and to further enhance the student experience beyond the classroom is an important quality of all who work at King Henry's.

#### We offer:

- A community of considerate, creative and compassionate students and staff
- A highly diverse and inclusive school community, committed to our bursary provision
- An inspiring and enthusiastic team of colleagues across the teaching and support staff
- A commitment to staff CPD and developing people professionally through mentoring and coaching, using both internal and external expertise
- A diverse benefits package including:
  - Competitive salary
  - o Teachers' Pension Scheme
  - Free onsite parking
  - o Free Sport Centre Membership
  - Free lunches
  - School fee discount
  - Cycle to work scheme

### What you can offer us:

- Excellent subject knowledge and a sincere enthusiasm for English
- The ability to teach English to highly able pupils across KS3, GCSE and A Level
- A talent for motivating and enthusing young learners to achieve their best
- Kindness and open-mindedness
- Intellectual curiosity, enthusiasm and a personal ethos of lifelong learning
- Resilience and optimism; someone who is willing to go the extra mile in the busy life of the school
- The ability to build positive and constructive relationships with pupils, both as a teacher and form tutor, taking a proactive approach to the wellbeing and mental health of young people
- Team-working abilities and a keenness to enable all colleagues to contribute ideas and be part of positive change
- Commitment to the well-being and safeguarding of all students and staff
- Commitment to diversity, inclusion and anti-racism in the school community

## How to apply

We recognise that celebrating the full diversity of staff and students has a positive impact on all and invite applications from candidates from a broad range of backgrounds. To enable us to make any reasonable adjustments, please let us know when you submit your application whether you have any special requirements.

We welcome applications from the independent and maintained sectors. The school operates its own generous and competitive pay scales and will offer a salary commensurate with experience and the nature of this role.



Please visit our website to download an application form. Please note that CVs and letters sent without a completed application form will not be accepted.

For further information please contact recruitment@csfoundation.org.uk or telephone the Recruitment team on 02476 271345

Early applications are encouraged

Closing date: Thursday 8th February 9.00am

Interviews: Week commencing Monday 19th February

