

Assistant Head of Netball Graduate Sports Coach – September 2019

Royal Russell School is offering a fantastic opportunity for a recent graduate to join our two year, sport coach programme that leads to a PGCE teaching qualification from Buckingham University.

We are a forward thinking, innovative school that prides itself on supporting all members of the community to achieve their best.

We would like to hear from graduates who wish to pursue a career in teaching, who are passionate, not just about their subject, but who can also offer leadership in some element of the schools sporting extracurricular programme, and who are interested in gaining experience in teaching.

Our exceptional onsite facilities include, 6 full size grass football pitches, a new Olympic standard floodlit hockey pitch, 2 further new floodlit all-weather games areas for Netball and Tennis. We also have a large well-equipped sports hall, a gymnasium and a 25m indoor swimming pool. The school has full planning permission to build a floodlit 4G football AstroTurf. With further exciting projects in the near future and a nationally successful reputation, sport at Royal Russell offers exceptional opportunities for all our pupils.

Royal Russell will support graduates in their professional development in sports provided within the school, ideally netball. The Graduate Teachers will become members of the academic staff, playing a full role in our busy independent day and boarding school. For candidates who pass the first year probation period we will support and fund (50%) a PGCE course through Buckingham University, so that you will leave Royal Russell with enhanced career prospects and the invaluable experience of teaching and living in a busy independent school.

At the end of the two-year period we would normally expect Graduate Teachers to further their careers in other schools. Graduates will also be eligible to apply for any suitable positions that arise within Royal Russell.

The Role:

During the day you will be actively teaching in the classroom or out on the sports field. You will have an academic Mentor within your department to help plan and deliver lessons.

After school you will take part in the full co-curricular programme, and will offer a sport specialism in netball that can be supported by in-house and external training.

There is a wealth of sports, music and drama across Royal Russell School as well as a busy and active CCF and Duke of Edinburgh Award programme.

Accommodation may be available on site, and in the evenings you will expect to carry out a number of boarding duties a week (reduced during your PGCE year). At weekends, there is again a range of sports and activities in place and you will be expected to play a full part in this programme. During the school year there are a number of residential trips abroad that you will have the opportunity to participate in, taking a supervisory role.

We Offer:

Along with the fantastic opportunity to join a top team of colleagues we offer:-

- On the job training, work experience and a qualification
- Potential for Accommodation (nominal service charge may be levied depending on individual circumstances and type of accommodation)
- All meals provided free in term time
- Part funded (50%) support to undertake a PGCE course (after a successful probationary period and completion of Year One)

- Academic Mentors and pastoral support to provide help and guidance
- We will endeavour to support your professional development through specific coaching qualifications in areas agreed by the school and successful candidate.

Full details of our staff benefits and recruitment procedures can be found on our School recruitment page at <https://www.royalrussell.co.uk/vacancies>

A fully completed application form which includes a supporting statement outlining the extent to which you meet our requirements as set out in the person specification, and details of two referees, one of which should be a current or most recent employer should be emailed to hr@royalrussell.co.uk. References may be taken up before interview.

Applications will be considered on receipt and should arrive no later than **12 noon on Wednesday 15th May 2019**. Interviews will be held the following week.

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All appointments are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check (including a check against the Children's Barred List), and other pre-employment screening including a check on the Secretary of State list of prohibited staff.