

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Classics Teacher (Temporary)



Independent Day School
GSA school – Girls aged 3-18
www.dhsfg.org.uk

The Role

This is an exciting opportunity for a committed and enthusiastic Classicist to join us on a temporary basis. The person appointed will need to be able to teach Latin to GCSE level and Classical Civilisation to all levels, and ideally also offer Classical Greek.

Subject Teachers are responsible through the Head of Department to the Head. Their role in implementing School policies and conveying the ethos of the School and its aims and values is crucial in ensuring the success and effectiveness of the whole School.

Job Description

Aims

- To sustain and improve the quality of education and the education opportunities offered to pupils;
- To promote and work in accordance with the School's agreed ethos
- To ensure a safe and appropriate working environment for pupils.

1. Curriculum

- To teach as directed by the Head, implementing the School's agreed policies;
- To teach in accordance with the policies and schemes of work of the department;
- To mark pupils' work according to department policy
- To keep up to date with developments in education;
- To attend meetings when required;
- To follow the School's Recording and Assessment Policy;
- To provide written reports on pupils' progress when required by the Head;
- To attend Parents' Meetings and to meet with parents at other times as necessary;
- To maintain effective discipline through the implementation of the School's agreed policies;
- To implement changes and developments as required by the Head of Department;
- To follow Health and Safety procedures.

2. CPD

- To take part in CPD and other training courses as required by the Headmistress.

3. Communication

- To attend staff meetings (part-time assistant teachers should attend staff meetings if they would normally be in School on that afternoon);
- To read the Staff Handbook and to work in accordance with the daily routine of the School as outlined in this document;
- To read and act upon the information posted daily on the Staffroom notice board and any other relevant information.

4. Resources

- To ensure that the department's resources are used appropriately and kept in good order;
- To keep a record of all books and equipment issued to pupils.

5. General

- To attend public occasions;
- To contribute to the School's extra-curricular programme
- To undertake lunch and/or breaktime duties as required

The Department

Latin and Classical Civilisation are taught at all levels and Greek from Year 8. All girls begin Latin in Year 7 and continue until Year 9, when they can choose, as many do, to begin the GCSE course, or take the non-language route. Numbers choosing to study classical subjects compare favourably with any other optional subject on the curriculum.

Resources

There is a designated Classics room in the main teaching block of the school, thus ensuring the prominence of the subject, as well as a smaller room in Sixth Form. We have a well-stocked book cupboard and a comprehensive library area.

Latin is delivered by a variety of text books. We use the Cambridge Latin Course supported by Suburani. For Greek we follow the John Taylor course. In Classical Civilisation GCSE and A Level, we use the textbooks endorsed by OCR.

Syllabuses

The Department follows the OCR syllabus for all GCSE and A Level courses.

We are extremely proud of the number of girls who have chosen to continue their study of the subject at University.

Extra-curricular Activities

The success of the Department is based on the enthusiasm and commitment of its members. We have a wide range of extracurricular activities, to which all staff are expected to contribute. There is a weekly Greek Club for Year 8 and 9 for those who have shown special aptitude in, or enthusiasm for, Latin. This is designed to stimulate interest in the subject before girls make their choices for GCSE.

The Department has run very successful residential trips to Italy and Greece for various age groups. There are also opportunities for day trips both locally and to London for plays and to the British Museum. We generally try to provide the widest classical experience for all our students.

Ready to apply?

Please complete the application form (also available from the School's website) and submit this with a covering letter outlining your reasons for applying and what you feel you can bring to the post. This should be addressed for the attention of the Headmistress and sent by email to enquiries@dhsfg.org.uk.

Closing date for applications: 4pm on Monday 29 January 2024
Interviews will be held shortly afterwards.

The successful candidate will be expected to take up the role as soon as possible.

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Terms and Conditions

Hours

This is a part time position up to 0.7 of a timetable but with flexibility for fewer or more lessons, and will be a temporary contract.

Salary

Salary will be payable according to the Durham High School Salary Scale, which is negotiable depending on experience and qualifications.

Benefits

Durham High School operates a fee reduction package for children of staff members, subject to meeting the school's admissions criteria.

All staff receive free school lunches during term time, including a wide selection of hot and cold menus every day.

Training opportunities for personal and professional development.

DBS and searches

Durham High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. The successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure.

In addition, as part of the shortlisting process, Durham High School will carry out an online search on the shortlisted candidates as part of its due diligence.

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