## WADDESDON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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## **TEACHER OF PHYSICS**

Science enables young people to engage with the wonders of the world and universe through curiosity, reasoned enquiry and a thirst for knowledge.

We are inviting applications to join our happy school and be part of our dynamic and successful Science Department as a teacher of Physics from September 2020. You will enjoy excellent relationships with students who want to learn, while working in a team of experienced and enthusiastic Science specialists.

Relationships between students and staff are excellent. The SIAMS inspection (March 2018) celebrated this in the following way:

"Relationships are shaped by the focus on the twin values of dignity and respect. There is a palpable sense of Waddesdon being a safe and secure place to be, of a community built on good humour, mutual support and love of self and neighbour; this is seen in lessons and around the school."

The school is equally strong in terms of results, with a Progress 8 score of 0.78 (Well Above Average). In 2019, 92.2% of students achieved grade 4 and above in Science and 37% achieved grades 7-9. Progress 8 for Science was 1.0. The ALPS Progress measure places Waddesdon in the top 2% of schools nationally for A Level.

There is a very healthy uptake of Physics A-Level and a strong tradition of extracurricular and co-curricular opportunities at the school. In January, 2020, for example, students will be visiting CERN in Switizerland.

Waddesdon School is an oversubscribed all ability 11–18 school, set in rural Buckinghamshire. The school is 30 minutes away from Oxford and also within easy commuting distance from Milton Keynes. There are just under 1000 students on roll, including 260 in the Sixth Form. The school has an excellent reputation for CPD and recognises and values the contributions of all staff. There are realistic expectations regarding balancing family and leisure time and workload. Governors have recently changed the Admissions Policy to include children of staff members.

Please see the attached description of the department, the full SIAMS report, and our termly newsletter, *The Waddesdon Voice*. Testimonials from our staff about the culture and ethos of our school can be found on our website <a href="http://waddesdonschool.com/working-at-waddesdon">http://waddesdonschool.com/working-at-waddesdon</a>

Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the school to discuss the role as we are keen to create a post which responds to your needs and expertise.

If you would like to arrange a visit or a phone conversation, please contact office@waddesdonschool.com

Please return all applications to <a href="mailto:office@waddesdonschool.com">office@waddesdonschool.com</a>

Closing date for applications: 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (12pm)

Waddesdon School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to undertake an enhanced check by the Disclosure and Barring Service.