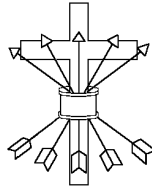


WADDESdon CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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SUBJECT LEADER OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND IT

(TLR 2a: £6,233)

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Teaching students to think computationally is as essential as developing good literacy and numeracy skills.

We are inviting applications for the post of Subject Leader of Computer Science and IT at Waddesdon School. This is an exciting opportunity to lead a small, but dedicated and creative team who share a desire for our young people to develop and grow through their study and enjoyment of Computer Science and IT. The post will be of interest to aspiring or existing Subject Leaders who wish to develop professionally and personally in a supportive and happy environment. The drive to introduce Computer Science at Key Stage 5 is essential.

Relationships between students and staff are excellent. The most recent 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), with 81% achieving grade 4 and above in English and Maths in 2019. The Subject Performance Index for Computer Science in 2019 was 1.09, with grades ranging from 4 to 9. The ALPS Progress measure places Waddesdon in the top 25% of schools nationally for A Level over the past three years.

There is a healthy uptake of Computer Science at GCSE with a strong desire to develop this qualification at KS5. The subject has a strong tradition of exploring the practical application of IT. Students are encouraged to be curious and ambitious.

As part of an Outstanding school, the new Subject Leader will enjoy the freedom to develop the vision and direction of the department, with the strong support of an experienced department and Leadership Team.

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

<http://waddesdonschool.com/working-at-waddesdon>

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

Please return all applications to office@waddesdonschool.com

The school recognises the value of a diverse and inclusive workforce and is committed to equality for all in the appointment, development, training and promotion of staff.

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.