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TEACHER OF MATHS

Contract Type: Full time / Permanent
Required for: September 2025
Closing Date for applications: 10am 24th January, 2025

This is an outstanding opportunity to join one of Oxfordshire's most successful schools. Wallingford School is an oversubscribed, 11-18 school with enthusiastic students, supportive staff and great facilities. We have an excellent reputation, enjoying strong support from parents and students, and a strong working relationship with the local community.

We are among the most successful schools in the country for progress in English and Maths. In 2024, 71% of our students achieved at least a Grade 4 in English and Maths at GCSE; 54% achieved at least a Grade 5 in English and Maths, and 30% of all grades achieved were at Grade 7 or above. Vocational grades were similarly impressive: 78% of entries gained at least a Level 2 Pass and 22% at a Distinction or Distinction*.

These results are great, but our school is about much more than just exams. We are an inclusive school which – as the only secondary school in the town – is determined to serve its local community well. Comprehensive school values are important to us. Students of all abilities thrive at Wallingford and we pride ourselves on giving a chance to students who may not have had one at other schools.

Staff – both teaching and associate – are happy at Wallingford. Professional development is hugely important to us and our programme is varied but also bespoke to support individual needs and priorities. There are many opportunities for teachers to work collaboratively across the school. Our annual two-day Teaching and Learning Conference is the highlight of this programme. Student attitudes and behaviour are excellent and are frequently commented upon by visitors as being so. It is an excellent place to work and we are committed to staff wellbeing and a healthy work-life balance for all our colleagues. The successful applicant should expect to be very well supported in their professional development and the role would definitely suit and benefit ECTs.

THE MATHS TEAM

We are seeking a Maths teacher with the ability to teach Maths across the full ability range to join our successful and dynamic department.

Maths is a successful and popular subject throughout the school and standards of achievement are high at all levels. In 2024, 78% achieved at least a Grade 4, with 63% achieving Grade 5 or above. 29% of students achieved Grade 7 or above and overall value added was significantly higher than the national average. At A Level 65% achieved a Grade B or more with 45% achieving an A or A* grade and in A Level Further Maths 83% achieved a Grade B or more with 67% achieving an A or A* grade.

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Maths is taught by an enthusiastic and highly committed team of ten teachers. There is an emphasis on team work and mutual support, which is enabling the faculty to evolve to meet the challenge of a developing curriculum.

The Maths department is well resourced and all Maths classrooms are equipped with interactive whiteboards.

THE CURRICULUM

Key Stage Three:

Year 7 - Pupils are taught Maths in mixed ability groups

Year 8 and 9 – Pupils are taught in ability groups

Key Stage Four:

All sets follow the Edexcel GCSE linear syllabus A specification

Key Stage Five:

The Maths Department offers A Level courses in Maths and Further Maths – Edexcel

GENERAL DUTIES

At Merchant Taylors' Oxfordshire Academy Trust we pride ourselves on providing a safe and happy environment where young people can flourish and we want to send every young person into the world able and qualified to play their full part within it. This job description should be read in conjunction with the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document and the provisions of that document will apply to the post holder.

Merchant Taylors' Oxfordshire Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to Criminal Records Bureau checks along with other relevant employment checks.

You will be expected to carry out the professional duties of a teacher as outlined in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document currently in operation, or any subsequent legislation. The performance of all the duties and responsibilities shown below will be under the reasonable direction of the Headteacher, or other Senior Manager if appropriate, who will be mindful of his/her duty to ensure that the employee has a reasonable workload and sufficient support to carry out the duties of the post.

The successful candidate will be expected to be a form tutor and on Friday mornings help with the delivery of the school's PSHE programme. In addition to support from within the Maths team, newly appointed staff are able to benefit from the induction support programme.

You will find many opportunities at Merchant Taylors' Oxfordshire Academy Trust and we look forward to receiving your application.

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SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential:

The successful candidate will:

- Hold Qualified Teacher Status
- Have an Enhanced DBS Certificate
- Have the ability and quality to teach Maths across the age and ability range.
- Be a good, enthusiastic team member
- Be a reflective practitioner, who has the potential to develop his/her own career further
- Have the ability to communicate effectively with staff, parents and students

Desirable:

The successful candidate will:

- Have unquenchable enthusiasm for Mathematics
- Believes that students are capable of high standards, and expects them to achieve
- Has the capacity to develop our pupils both in Maths and beyond
- Enjoys working as part of a team and sharing expertise.
- Is keen to contribute to the development of the department.
- Have competent ICT skills

TEACHERS PENSION DETAILS

The link for teaching staff to the Teachers' Pension website is:

<https://www.teacherspensions.co.uk/>

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Merchant Taylors' Oxfordshire Academy Trust employs teaching staff on the conditions of service contained in the General Terms and Conditions of Employment for Teaching Staff which can be found at <http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/teachers-conditions-employment>. Please see our privacy notice: <http://www.wallingfordschool.com/index.php/documents/category/24-privacy-notice>

TO APPLY

Please complete the attached application form and email to recruit@wallingfordschool.com

We look forward to receiving your completed application

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