



St Wilfrid's Catholic School Crawley, West Sussex

ASSISTANT SUBJECT LEADER FOR

FRENCH & SPANISH TLR 2b

Full time

September 2015

We are seeking to appoint an Assistant Subject Leader for French & Spanish with the capability to help lead the department to Outstanding. An ability and interest to teach GCSE and possibly A Level would be an advantage but not essential.

Application by form downloadable from our website www.stwilfrids.com to include a maximum of 2 pages of supporting statement contained within the form.

Closing date: 9 am Wednesday 22 April.

Any successful applicant will be required to undertake a DBS check at an Enhanced level.



St Wilfrid's Catholic School

'The best for all; the best from all'

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Diocese of Arundel & Brighton and West Sussex County Council

April 2015

Dear Candidate

Thank you for showing an interest in this post. In helping you to decide if St Wilfrid's is the right school for you, here are some thoughts:

St Wilfrid's is a heavily oversubscribed Catholic School of 930 students including 180 in the Sixth Form. It was rated as "Outstanding" by the Diocese in its last inspection (2012) and as "good" by Ofsted (2012) with behaviour and leadership deemed to be "outstanding".

The students love their school and staff love working here. The quotes below are from two staff members who joined us in September 2014.

"The staff at St Wilfrid's have all been really welcoming and supportive to me as a NQT and I have found the atmosphere of the school as a whole to be forward thinking and collaborative".

Ms S Jeffcoat

"It's a pleasure to be part of the community at St Wilfrid's with such welcoming and supportive staff as well as enthusiastic students, there is no doubt that it's a great place to work!"

Mrs N Lachlan

Students at St Wilfrid's make "outstanding" progress across the curriculum and our reputation for this is countywide.

If you would like to work in a forward thinking school which has ambitions to be even better, then St Wilfrid's is the place for you.

For further details of the school or to arrange a visit, please see our website www.stwilfrids.com. If you require any further information, please contact the Head's PA, Mrs J Phillips j.phillips@stwilfrids.com.

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Department of Modern Languages

The Department of Modern Languages currently comprises 5 teachers covering the teaching of French and Spanish across Key Stages 3, 4 and 5. All students in Years 7 and 8 study French and Spanish, opting in Year 9, to do one of those languages. Students are set from Year 7 and this is done in collaboration with the English department. For students in H band, there is an expectation that they will carry their language through to GCSE. Those in I band have the option to continue. For the most able this continues into 'A' Level in Years 12 and 13.

The Department has 4 fully equipped classrooms all with interactive whiteboards (with additional relevant software and access to the VLE and the Internet). All classrooms have dictionaries, set textbooks and stationary for student use (including mini-whiteboards). Each teacher also has their own laptop. The students are issued with exercise books and a vocabulary and grammar booklet for each language. It is departmental policy that all these materials are brought to every lesson. The main course book for Key Stages 3 and 4 for French is Expo in Year 7 and 8 and Studio in Year 9; for Spanish it is Mira.

We currently have Key Stage 4 residential trips to Paris and Salamanca which run on alternate years and there are a number of other shorter trips we organise e.g. the cinema, the theatre, café and tapas, languages at work conference, university days. At Key Stage 3 there is also a day trip to France for Year 7.

In order to monitor the progress of our students we use Go4Schools. Schemes of work are currently being updated to prepare for the new GCSEs. These new schemes like the current ones will be comprehensive and play a key part in the development of cross-curricular skills of ICT, literacy and numeracy. Agreed assessment tasks aim to move students from one level or grade to the next.

The ideal candidate would be looking to develop and promote French and indeed Spanish within the school and to enthuse students to study and enjoy languages. They should be able to demonstrate creativity within their teaching and have ideas to increase the departmental use of ICT.

If you would like more information about the department or wish to discuss any aspect of the languages provision please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kas McGuiness
Subject Leader for Modern Languages
April 2015

St Wilfrid's Catholic School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

