



## **St Mary's School – Gerrards Cross**

### **TEACHER OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

St Mary's School is a special place to work, where staff are valued and supported. The students are a joy to teach and make excellent progress. It is a positive environment, which is fostered and nurtured by the whole community, who strive to make the school the best it can be.

What St Mary's can offer you -

- Relatively small class sizes
- A strong community ethos
- Excellent CPD and development opportunities
- Polite, hard-working and determined students
- Inspiring and supportive colleagues
- A chance to watch students blossom and achieve
- Competitive salary

#### **Job Description**

- To provide high quality teaching and learning within the subject area
- To prepare and teach lessons as required by the department and the Head of Physical Education
- To facilitate and encourage a learning experience which provides students with the opportunity to achieve their individual potential and which meets their individual needs.
- To assess, record and report on the development, progress and attainment of pupils and to communicate this information to parents via written reports and parents' evenings.
- To provide written information for UCAS and other similar forms when required.
- To consult with the Head of Physical Education about any problems occurring over academic matters, such as aspects of the curriculum or the syllabus for Key Stage 3, GCSE or A level.
- To keep records of attendance at lessons as required.
- To invigilate public examinations as required.
- To continually review methods of teaching, programmes of work and participate in arrangements for further training and professional development.
- To contribute to the co-curricular programme.
- To maintain good order and discipline among pupils and safeguard their health and safety.

- To liaise with Form Tutors or Heads of Department and the Head of Physical Education about serious discipline matters or any other difficulties pupils may cause, or appear to be having.
- To attend Departmental, Staff, Parents and INSET meetings as required.
- To attend assemblies.
- To provide cover for absent staff.

The Physical Education Department seeks a well-qualified and enthusiastic teacher. The successful candidate will be expected to teach timetabled Physical Education and Games across all age groups in the senior school, potentially including Year 6.

The successful candidate will work alongside the Head of Physical Education in a hard-working, collaborative and supportive team. The successful candidate will be expected to play their part, including the planning of the curriculum, the creation of schemes of work, monitoring of students' achievement and facilitating a thriving co-curricular timetable.

They will be required to take the lead in overseeing the programmes of study in their specialism for Years 6-13. This involves updating schemes of work, incorporating new teaching ideas, planning required lessons and liaising with other teachers and support team as required. The successful candidate will be required to foster an environment where students enjoy their learning and develop our students' love for Sport. They will develop student's individual skill level and ability to work as a team, providing opportunities for lifelong participation. They will support students in becoming confident, creative and successful athletes in the future.

The ability to teach GCSE and A level Physical Education is essential. They should have confidence in delivering the AQA specification and teaching a variety of sports. Previous swimming teaching experience would be advantageous, to support our weekly swimming club and prepare students for inter-school galas.

The school has an extensive co-curricular programme. The successful candidate will be expected to take an active part in this programme, with the opportunity to develop this further. They will be required to run a number of lunchtime and afterschool clubs. In addition, we offer an extensive fixtures calendar and would therefore be required to attend fixtures on a weekly basis, including the occasional weekend. The ability to train teams for upcoming fixtures and complete team selection is vital.

The Physical Education Department is a thriving team who have dramatically improved the sporting provision over the last few years. The successful candidate must be enthusiastic about the subject and be willing to support the Head of Physical Education with the numerous opportunities for our students.