



IPSWICH SCHOOL

APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER OF MATHEMATICS **Full-time, permanent from September 2024**

We are looking to appoint a full time Teacher of Mathematics to join our nine-strong team of specialist mathematicians, who have in common their professionalism and enthusiasm for their subject. Maths is the largest subject in the school and there are currently 69 mathematicians in the Lower Sixth and 58 in the Upper Sixth. 15 of our Sixth Form mathematicians are studying Further Maths.

We are looking to appoint an effective classroom practitioner who has scholarly flair and an infectious enthusiasm for the subject. We are looking for a teacher who will play an active part as a tutor in the important pastoral side of school life, and who will be able to share interests with students through our extensive co-curricular programme.

Pupils come to us from a range of schools, including our feeder Prep School. Setting starts mid-way through Year 7 and classes contain between 20 and 24 students. We make classes in the lower sets smaller than this whenever possible. Pupils in Year 9 start the EDEXCEL GCSE course, which all sets complete during Year 11. The top set in Year 9 will also aim to complete the freestanding Additional Mathematics qualification in Year 11.

At A Level, the department uses the Linear OCR specification. Students who are also taking Further Maths broadly complete the A level Maths syllabus in the Lower Sixth and their Further Maths in the Upper Sixth.

We offer all of our pupils an appropriate level of challenge: we enter pupils for a range of mathematical competitions and regional team challenges. STEP maths classes are also available for our most able sixth form mathematicians.

The Department's dedicated Maths rooms are equipped with interactive television screens and extensive use is made of *Autograph*, *MyMaths*, and *Integral Maths* software.

If you are invited for interview and talk to our staff, they will be very positive about the attractions of working here and, in particular, will mention:

- the co-operative, positive nature of our relationships with pupils
- the well-resourced facilities and high levels of investment in buildings and equipment
- the academic calibre of our pupils and the intellectual stimulus of working with them
- the possibility of enjoying and sharing our interests with pupils by offering sport, music, drama and a whole range of activities

- the friendliness of staff, both teaching and non-teaching, and the feeling of working together for the common good
- the pleasure that comes from knowing that you have really ‘made a difference’ through your work as a pastoral tutor or in helping the pupils’ personal development.

GENERAL INFORMATION

As the September 2022 report by ISI Inspectors confirmed, *Ipswich School has a fine record of academic success, which is placed within the context of an extensive range of activities outside the classroom.* The School operates a five-day week, with representative sports on Saturdays. Games, CCF, Community Service and a variety of other activities take place on Thursday afternoons. All who teach at the School make some contribution to school life outside their own specialisation, as well as to our programme of pastoral support.

The School is fully co-educational and, with its own Preparatory School and Day Nursery caters for pupils from 3 months -18 years.

The School has a salary scale which mirrors but is more generous than that of the maintained sector. Currently there is generous remission of fees for children (aged 5 and above) of teaching staff providing there are vacancies and the children fulfil the usual entry requirements.

The School takes seriously its responsibility to provide opportunities for continued professional development. The Government-accredited Induction Scheme for Early Career Teachers is available in independent schools and at Ipswich School we have a very well structured programme of support and guidance. All new teachers receive induction and guidance from the Deputy Head Academic and other senior colleagues, in particular Heads of Department and the Director of Learning and Development. Members of the teaching staff receive a chromebook to help with administration and teaching. In addition to internally organised staff training, teachers at Ipswich School are encouraged to attend courses and conferences which will further their expertise and career.

Free lunch is provided during term time when the School kitchen is in operation. We have free on-site parking for staff and we are located within easy walking distance of Ipswich town centre.

Ipswich is the county town of Suffolk, with about 150,000 inhabitants. The town has a lively theatre, a renowned football club, a multiplex cinema and a film theatre, a strong musical life, and clubs and societies catering for many sporting and cultural interests. In the summer the Aldeburgh Festival enriches the musical life of the area. Road and rail links to London, Cambridge, the Midlands and the North are excellent, with Liverpool Street being just over an hour away. Also within easy reach are many attractive and historic small towns and villages. The coastline is a special feature, offering large unspoilt areas of beach and estuary for recreation.

Please advise us of any special requirements you may have if you are called for an interview. If your special requirements mean that you need to submit this application in a different format please contact us.

Completed application forms, with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees, should be sent to the Headmaster, Mr N Weaver, Ipswich School, 25 Henley Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IPI 3SG or email to

hr@ipswich.school **by noon on Wednesday 8 May 2024.** Interviews will take place in the week commencing **Monday 13 May 2024.**

PLEASE NOTE

1. Ipswich School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service. Having a criminal record will not necessarily be a bar to obtaining the position. The Ipswich School Policy on the recruitment of ex-offenders and the Code of Practice relating to the Disclosure and Barring Service are available on request.
2. Ipswich School's employees are responsible for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people they are responsible for, or come into contact with. The post holder must adhere to and ensure compliance with the School's Safeguarding Children Policy at all times. If, in the course of carrying out his/her duties, the post holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the School he/she must report any concerns to the School's Senior Designated Person for Safeguarding (the Senior Deputy Head [Pastoral] for Senior School pupils, the Prep Deputy Head for Preparatory School pupils and the Nursery Manager for The Lodge Day Nursery).
3. Applicants are asked to state if they have a D1 entitlement to drive a minibus, or be willing to take a D1 minibus test if required.
4. Applicants are advised that in the interests of the health and safety of all its pupils and employees, Ipswich School operates a No Smoking Policy which prohibits smoking in any area of the School site.

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