

MERCHANT TAYLORS' BOYS' SCHOOL LIVERPOOL

Appointment of

Part-Time Teacher of French (Maternity Cover)

From January 2018

Information for Applicants

Merchant Taylors' School Liverpool Road Crosby Liverpool L23 0QP

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THE SCHOOL

Merchant Taylors' School, founded in 1620, is an independent day school with 620 boys in the Senior School (160 in the Sixth Form) and 150 between the ages of 7 and 11 in the Junior School. The Headmaster is a member of the Headmasters' Conference. Admission is by entrance examination and the school is oversubscribed. Academic standards are high and there are excellent facilities for sport, music, art and drama.

The school enjoys a sizable endowment income which is used to assist families with fees and which helps to ensure that the school is not only academically selective but also socially comprehensive.

Situated in Crosby, to the north of the city, the school enjoys close links with the universities of Liverpool and also good access routes to Formby and Southport to the North. We have attractive playing fields beside the main buildings and more extensive ones at Hall Road, some 5 minutes drive away. There is an indoor heated swimming pool, a purpose-built weight training area, tennis courts and all-weather Astroturf playing area. In addition, the school has purchased a share in the international standard Astroturf hockey pitch at the nearby Northern Club. June 2011 marks the opening of a new £6m Sports Centre, situated at the Boys' School site.

THE POST

Our seven-strong MFL Department currently comprises two full-time specialists and five part-timers. Amongst our team are A Level examiners and native speakers. Boys in the Junior School receive one 30 minute French lesson per week and we are looking to increase the provision of languages in Years 3 to 6 in the near future.

In Year 7, boys are taught in their forms with two classes of French and one class of Spanish. Boys may opt to study German as a second language from the beginning of Year 9. Currently all boys must study at least one foreign language at GCSE.

Throughout the school the successful candidate will find highly motivated and cooperative pupils with a strong desire to learn another language. GCSE pass rates across all three languages are well above the national average and we have recently enjoyed excellent success at A Level with many of our linguists choosing to go on to study languages at University.

The department has recently benefited from a substantial refurbishment and now enjoys the very best facilities in a dedicated suite of four classrooms.

The successful candidate should be able to teach French, KS2 - KS4, though the precise balance of examined and non-examined classes will depend on their level of expertise. There may also be the opportunity to teach Spanish at KS3. It is anticipated that the appointee will have a genuine enthusiasm for languages and the ability to enthuse pupils through offering a variety of teaching strategies. Additionally, a willingness to contribute to school extra-curricular activities would be an advantage.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The post is tenable from January 2018. Salaries are in accordance with the STRB at a point commensurate with the candidate's experience. The school does not operate the Performance Related Pay scheme but instead there is a Merchant Taylors' School allowance (currently £2790) for all members of the teaching staff (except probationary NQTs). Two enhanced Merchant Taylors' School allowances with a combined value of £2730 are also paid to all staff who make a contribution to the extra-curricular life of the school and who would have qualified for an equivalent threshold payment in the maintained sector.

The successful candidate will be able to take advantage of the benefits offered by Merchant Taylors Schools which include:

- Children of the successful candidate will be eligible for the School's discount tuition fee.
- Free access to the fitness suite in the Ian Robinson Sports Centre as well as a discounted rate on evening and weekend facility hire bookings.
- Childcare Voucher Scheme which can enable a saving of up to £933 a year on registered childcare fees for children up to the age of 16. It must be noted that they cannot be used as payment for tuition fees at the Merchant Taylors' Schools but can be used for Aftercare, Breakfast Clubs and Holiday Play Schemes as well as for nannies, child minders, nurseries, playgroups and crèches.
- Bike 2 Work Scheme. This offers employees a saving of up to 42% on the cost of bicycles and/or safety equipment.
- Off road parking within the School grounds.
- Complimentary lunch and refreshments within the school day.

APPLICATIONS AND INTERVIEWS

Candidates should submit a letter of application together with a completed application form and details of two referees, to The Headmaster, Merchant Taylors' School, Liverpool Road, Crosby, Liverpool L23 0QP to arrive by **8**th **December 2017.**

Informal enquiries by telephone (0151 949 9323, Headmaster's PA, or by e-mail via the school website: www.merchanttaylors.com

Interviews will be held week commencing 11th December 2017.

The post holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom he/she is responsible, or with whom he/she comes into contact will be to adhere to and ensure compliance with the school's Child Protection Policy Statement at all times. If in the course of carrying out the duties of the post, 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 Child Protection Officer or to the Headmaster.