Job Title: Head of Computer Science

Faculty: Humanities, Art & IT

Approximately 180 students study A level Computer Science, following the AQA specification. The team works very closely with the IT teaching team who run BTEC IT Level 3 courses and the Level 2 Certificate and, although IT has a separate Head of Subject, the teams cross teach. Teamwork is therefore a strong characteristic of this area, encouraging experimentation and collaboration, and the sharing of resources. At the same time, individual teachers and students are given scope to pursue their own strengths and interests. There is also an emphasis on sharing good practice to improve the quality of our delivery.

Accommodation across both subjects comprises three, 24 seated, computer classrooms with all the necessary software to support the delivery of the qualifications. Students have access to a considerable amount of resources on the college intranet site, which is kept up to date.

We will have some retirements from the teaching team this year and this full time Head of Subject post offers a great opportunity for an experienced practitioner to develop the subject in their own way. You will be an excellent team player with the ability to lead others and share your enthusiasm for your subject. Additionally, you should:

- have a good honours in Computer Science or related degree plus QTS
- have a lively and enquiring mind
- have successful experience of teaching the subject at AS/A2-level/Level 3
- have the enthusiasm to develop interactive course materials both for classroom and intranet use
- have a rapport with the 16-19 age group (staff also have a tutor group of about 24 students).

This high performing College offers good opportunities for career development. The College organises and supports INSET opportunities within the College, and encourages staff to attend relevant events organised externally. There are opportunities via the Activities programme to contribute to other areas such as sport and everyone is involved with supporting the delivery of the Symonds Lecture programme.

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