PETER SYMONDS COLLEGE

Job Title: Teacher of BTEC IT and Computer Science

Faculty: Humanities, Art & IT

There are three courses of IT and related subjects run in the college: BTEC IT Level 3 and Level 2 Certificate in IT and A Level Computer Science. The IT and Computer Science teams, although managed by different Heads of Subject, cross teach. The teams consists of five well qualified, conscientious and enthusiastic staff. Team work is a characteristic of this area which encourages experimentation and collaboration, including team teaching and shared resources, whilst also giving the individual teacher and student the scope to pursue their own strengths and interests. There is also an emphasis on sharing good practice to improve the quality of our delivery.

BTEC follows the Edexcel QCF specification and will be moving to the NQF/RQF specifications in 2020, whilst the L2 IT follows the Cambridge Technical specification. Computer Science follows the AQA specification.

There are approximately 230 students studying an IT based subject at level 3 and level 2. Teaching groups are shared and individual student progress is monitored by all teachers. Workshops are offered to support students to achieve.

Accommodation 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 are looking for a teacher to join the team. You should:

- have a good honours in Computer Science or related degree
- have a lively and enquiring mind
- have successful experience of teaching the subject at AS/A2-level/Level 3 or be able to demonstrate this potential
- have a PGCE or equivalent qualification or commitment to obtain QTS
- 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.

Jane Ball Head of Faculty. January 2019