

Teacher of Science

Full or Part-time (minimum 3 days a week), permanent position Required from Easter or September 2025

The John Colet School is a caring school where we pursue academic excellence, celebrate success and develop students to become active members of our school and wider community. We are constantly striving to improve. Other reasons staff enjoy working at John Colet School (Ofsted rated – Good) include;

- Good work/life balance
- Being appreciated and recognised for a job well done
- The support from colleagues and SLT
- Respect and politeness from students
- Preferential places for children of staff, subject to qualifying period
- Range of resources and support available to help achieve personal and professional goals
- Coaching and CPD workshops
- Lovely setting/environment in an area of outstanding natural beauty nestled in the Chiltern Hills (with plentiful, free staff parking)
- A 'be kind' culture
- Equality and diversity in the workplace is practised
- A wide variety of trips and extra-curricular activities (please see our website)
- Well-being activities for staff including weekly yoga, strength & conditioning and Pilates classes, crafts and social activities
- Access to onsite newly opened gym

As a member of the Science team you will be able to teach throughout the age and ability range but most importantly, you will be committed to excellence for your students, your colleagues, yourself and John Colet School.

- Our department ethos focuses on the passion we all share for Science. We work closely as a team and pride ourselves on mutual support and teamwork.
- We are looking for an outstanding and enthusiastic teacher of Science.
- The successful candidate will work with an experienced team of high quality teachers and technicians.
- The ability to teach KS3 and KS4 Science, with the possibility of KS5.
- Full or part-time considered, a minimum of three days a week.
- We have 9 modern, well equipped Science laboratories; each with an interactive whiteboard, a designated physics classroom. Two laboratories have just been opened in a brand new block.

- Our priority is ensuring that our lessons are engaging, stimulating, relevant and above all promote a genuine interest in Science. Every student has a Chromebook and access to a free online textbook.
- We are a forward thinking, innovative department and welcome new ideas.
- John Colet is a successful 11 18 school, with a committed, friendly and supportive team of staff. Both parental and student satisfaction is high.
- Our department is a successful one with excellent progress in Science across all three disciplines at GCSE. We also have good progress in the four A level subjects currently on offer.

From Ofsted October 2024:

- Pupils are happy here and are welcoming to visitors.
- The behaviour and relationships are very positive, both in lessons and in social time.
- The school has a family feel and its vision of 'every student thriving'
 underpins all its work. Its work with vulnerable pupils is extremely well
 coordinated and valued by pupils and parents alike. This contributes to
 the school's highly inclusive and supportive culture.
- Pupils enjoy the raft of extra-curricular and leadership opportunities on offer.
 These enable pupils to nurture their interests and develop character and confidence.
- Parents are very positive about the school and recent improvements. Many confirm their child is indeed 'thriving'.

From Challenge Partners peer review March 2024:

- 'Students describe the school as 'welcoming', strongly echoed by new staff and students who quickly felt 'fully part of the community.'
- 'Staff find that induction and whole school professional development programmes directly inform practice that support both staff and students.
 One teacher explained how 'literacy training has improved how I teach languages to students with lower reading ages.' One member of staff stated that since joining JCS they have 'become a better teacher.'
- New staff compare JCS to their previous schools and state that facilities at the school are excellent, 'Stuff works!'
- They describe leaders as approachable with strong communication and a focus on well-being. As a result, new staff feel settled and ready to work quickly, with one concluding, 'My life is better since joining John Colet.'
- Teachers drive the ethos for students to thrive through their relationships, support and how they advocate for student needs. A wide range of students feel that their teachers are the most important aspect of the school. As a result, students self-regulate whilst working independently, eager to complete projects and extended activities.

If you think life at John Colet School would suit you, then we are looking for an ambitious, enthusiastic teacher to join us from Easter or September 2025. This post is suitable for an ECT or a more experienced teacher.

The John Colet School takes the safeguarding and wellbeing of students seriously and this post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service check and Qualifications check.

Applications from agencies and personal CV's will not be accepted.

Visits to the school will be warmly welcomed; please contact the school office if you would like to arrange a visit on office@johncolet.co.uk or 01296 623348

Closing date: 9am Monday 13 January 2025

Interviews: Strong candidates will be offered early interviews