



Teacher of Computer Science (Part time 0.5 FTE)

The Post

The post becomes vacant in September 2024

The successful candidate will be:

- ***a graduate in Computer Science or related discipline and will preferably hold qualified teacher status***
- ***able to teach Computer Science up to GCSE, and A-Level***
- ***able to demonstrate excellent skills in the classroom***
- ***expected to demonstrate good inter-personal skills and to command the respect of pupils, colleagues and parents***
- ***expected to contribute to the further development of these successful departments***
- ***expected to make a significant and sustained contribution to the co-curricular life of the School***
- ***committed to his/her own professional development, and in particular the use of digital technology as a tool for teaching and learning***
- ***expected to contribute to the pastoral life of the school***
- ***empathetic to the Catholic and Benedictine ethos of the School***

Computer Science at St Benedict's

Computer Science is currently taught as a subject in year 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11, 12 & 13. Edexcel GCSE Computer Science is chosen as an option during year 9. In 2023 our pass rate for GCSE was 78.6% A*- B and the pass rate was 100% A*- C. Some of the more able pupils opt to study AQA Computer Science at A Level. Successes include on average one student per year gaining a place at Imperial College London and two at Edinburgh for the prestigious Computer science and AI course, while others have joined other Russell Group Universities to study for a degree in Computer Science. We have also had excellent success with the UK Bebras, Oxford University Computing Challenge and The Perse Team Coding Challenges in recent years. Sixth Form pupils contribute to co-curricular computing activities such as the popular Vex Robotics V5 competitions in year 12, and our teams were represented at the UK Nationals in Telford. In year 11, several of the GCSE Computer Science and Physics students are building their own satellite in CanSat Club, and in the younger years there are weekly Coding Clubs.

Computer Science teaching takes place in dedicated ICT rooms, all well equipped with interactive whiteboards. The department share and contribute to a pool of electronic and other resources and regularly exchange teaching ideas. Mutual observation of lessons is encouraged.

Please see our Recruitment Pack for a full description of the School's Strategic Plan and significant opportunities for your professional development at St Benedict's.

Remuneration

Applications are welcome from newly qualified, recently qualified or experienced teachers. Remuneration will depend on experience and qualifications and will be reviewed annually.

Children of teaching staff are entitled to a fee discount.

Accommodation might be available.

Applications and Timetable

Candidates must apply using the enclosed application form. This must be completed in full and include the names, addresses and telephone numbers of TWO referees one of whom, if appropriate, should be your current employer.

Closing Date for completed applications: 12 noon, 30 April 2024.

Interviews will take place on **2nd and 3rd May 2024**. If you have not heard by that time, you may assume your application has been unsuccessful.

The successful applicant will take up the post on **1st September 2024**