



THE KING'S SCHOOL
CHESTER

Sports Coach (1 year Fixed Term) Applicant Information



Willow
Lodge

Discovering the *world*



KING'S
JUNIORS

Igniting *curiosity*



KING'S
SENIORS

Seizing *opportunity*



KING'S
SIXTH FORM

Becoming *exceptional*

EVERY OPPORTUNITY. ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES.

About us



THE KING'S SCHOOL

King's is an academically selective, co-educational independent school originally founded in 1541 for the 'poor and friendless' children of Chester. Almost 500 years later, King's is a thriving, dynamic and forward-thinking school of 1100 pupils that is considered to be one of the very best of its kind in the country.

At King's we aim to make the very most of every individual student in the school, both academically as a selective school with a great tradition of scholarship, but also in terms of character development, confidence and wellbeing. This is achieved by a broad curriculum, extensive co-curricular programme, excellent pastoral care and highly committed and professional staff. We want our pupils to remember their time at school with real fondness whilst relishing the prospect of successfully making their mark on the world and leaving it a better place.

The school enjoys a spacious and well-resourced site on the southern outskirts of Chester, having moved from a city centre location in 1960. Our state-of-the-art infant school, Willow Lodge, was built 6 years ago with the Junior School being impressively extended a year beforehand. There is a major site development plan in progress for the Senior School, including the recent construction of a new £5million Sports Centre, The Rohan Ingley Pastoral Centre and the imminent redevelopment of the sixth form centre. The school retains close links with Chester Cathedral where it holds regular services, including a traditional Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at Christmas.

King's comprises the Senior School (ages 11-18), the Junior School (ages 7-11) and the Infant School (Willow Lodge, ages 3-7). There are currently 768 pupils in the Senior School (220 in the Sixth Form), 220 pupils in the Junior School and 114 in the Infants, supported by almost 250 staff (teaching and support).

Further information about the school can be found on our website: www.kingschester.co.uk

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THE ROLE AND OPPORTUNITY

We have an exciting opportunity for an outstanding **Sports Coach** to join our exceptional PE Department on a 1 year fixed term contract term time only contract plus 3 weeks during school holidays (39 weeks per year). This role will commence 1st September 2022 and finish on the 8th July 2023.

The Sports Coach reports to the Director of Sport/Assistant Director of Sport. The role involves coaching various sports but in particular hockey, netball, cricket, tennis, and leads a team in each of the three terms. The sports coach is not a teaching role but will be expected to lead games sessions, support PE lessons across the school and occasionally cover absent colleagues.

Further information of our sports programme can be found on the school website or by clicking [here](#) and information on our sporting fixtures can also be found by clicking [here](#).

The successful applicant will play a pivotal role supporting the PE Department and Pupils alongside the wider curriculum.

All major sports at King's aim to create a culture that delivers:

- High levels of participation (recreational and competitive)
- Different levels (beginner to international)
- Competitive success
- Impact on wider King's life (development of cross-curricular skills, discipline, teamwork, sportsmanship, etc.)

Different sports and teams are, of course, likely to be measured in slightly different ways.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The exact duties and responsibilities will be established by the Director of Sport but will include:

Coaching/officiating

- Support the sports programme through coaching at least one sports team per term
- Regular coaching sessions throughout the year at various times of the day including lunchtimes, before and after school
- Coach throughout all age groups of the school and within King's Junior School
- Officiate matches when required
- Cover PE lessons for absent colleagues



- Assist with general administration for the PE department

Any other matters related to sport deemed applicable by the Director of Sport.

REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum of UKCC Level 1 coaching or above
- Other coaching qualifications/experience in our major sports of hockey, cricket, football, tennis and rowing would be highly desirable
- Experience of delivering sports coaching in a school environment
- Ability to coach across all age groups from Junior School to 1st team
- To have played or coached competitive sport to a suitable level
- First Aid qualified (or willing to undergo training)
- Excellent administrative, IT, communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work within, and lead, a team
- Ability to show initiative and work independently



SALARY AND BENEFITS

The role is full time (**37 hours a week**) Monday to Saturday, term time only plus 3 weeks during school holidays (working approximately 39 weeks of the year). The extra 3 weeks will be worked according to the demands of extra days and the requirement to run sessions in the school holidays.

The exact hours of work will vary each term and regular hours will be given at the start of each term. For clarity, hours worked across the year will be equivalent to 37 hours per week but, will vary, depending on the particular season of the candidate's main sport.

This role will be made up of coaching some mornings, most afternoons and after school sessions plus Saturday morning fixtures. For Saturday morning fixtures you will be given equivalent time off during the week.

In return you will receive:

- A full time equivalent salary of **£18,278** per annum (actual salary **£15,677** per annum)
- Free staff lunch on the days you work during term time
- Health and wellbeing initiatives

- Employee assistance programmes to support you personally and professionally
- Teachers' Pension Scheme or Scottish Widows Group Personal Pension Plan
- The support of skilled and enthusiastic management and colleagues to enhance your development
- Cycle to work scheme
- Free gym access
- Free swimming pool access
- Free onsite car parking



The role is deemed to be in regulated activity with a high level of contact and responsibility for children on a day-to-day basis.

IMPORTANT - The King's School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All offers of employment are required to undertake screening relevant to the post, including checks with past employers and the Enhanced DBS check. In line with our commitments to safeguarding, the King's School uses preferred agencies and is unable to work with any agencies where Terms of Business have not been agreed by both parties prior to an engagement.

Our Child Protection and Safeguarding policy as well as our Safer Recruitment Policy can be found on our School Website (under policies).

THE PROCESS

Candidates for this post should apply via the TES website by **9am Monday 6th June 2022** or send completed application forms to recruitment@kingschester.co.uk

A curriculum vitae alone will **not** be accepted in place of the completed application form.

Interviews will likely be held week commencing 13th June 2022.

The HR Coordinator, Amie Beaumont, is available to discuss the role informally with prospective candidates and can be contacted via alb@kingschester.co.uk or 01244 689 496

