BRIGHTON COLLEGE
DUBAI

Head of Computer Science & Educational Technologies (Whole School)

Date of Advert: October 2020

Job Start Date: Immediate/January 2021

Brighton College Dubai wishes to recruit a Head of Computer Science & Educational Technologies (Whole School)

Introduction

We are currently seeking to appoint an experienced, well-qualified, and inspirational Head of Computer Science and Educational Technologies to join us Brighton College Dubai. The successful candidate will be given many opportunities to contribute to the life of the College both in and out of the classroom. At Brighton College Dubai it is expected that all colleagues work together in establishing Brighton College Dubai as a true leader in the city of Dubai. This will be achieved through the collective efforts of an exceptional and hardworking team with the united goal of ensuring that every child reaches their potential both academically and socially, by pushing boundaries and broadening horizons.

Brighton College Dubai benefits from a strong partnership with Brighton College, the UK's top co-educational school, and with Brighton College Abu Dhabi, Brighton College Al Ain, Brighton College Bangkok and Brighton College Singapore. The Brighton family of schools currently educates more than 4,000 pupils. Our position as a member of a group of leading academic schools, creates opportunities for professional development and career progression which are seldom, if ever, matched.

Packages are competitive, with a good salary and comprehensive benefits. With a range of support for Continuing Professional Development.

The College

Brighton College, the UK's top co-educational school, opened its fourth sister school in Dubai in September 2018, following in the footsteps of Brighton College Abu Dhabi (2011), Brighton College Al Ain (2013) and Brighton College Bangkok (2016). Brighton College Singapore opened in August 2020.

Brighton College Dubai is comprised of a Preparatory School (for pupils aged 3 to 11) and a Senior School (11-18) and is a leading Independent-style British International School located in the United Arab Emirates. With a prime location, it will eventually educate 1,400 pupils across the 3 to 18 age range on its striking campus in the centre of Dubai, one of the world's most innovative and exciting cities. It offers its pupils a world-class British education in a co-educational setting, leading to IGCSE and A-level studies, and entry to the world's leading universities.

A key component of Brighton's internationalisation is the importance its places upon ensuring that its sister schools are authentically interpreting its values and ethos. Each school combines academic excellence with a wealth of co-curricular opportunities, all underpinned by a deep commitment to the individual needs and enthusiasms of every child, and each values the importance of the individual: every boy and girl in the Brighton family of schools is valued for his or her own sake and encouraged to develop his or her talents to the full, in a community where there are no stereotypes and where every achievement, however small, is noticed.

Brighton's success is built upon recruiting genuinely inspirational teachers who can enthuse about their subject and will help to create an exciting and vibrant intellectual environment in which children can explore their interests, develop their existing talents and acquire new ones.

Brighton College Dubai has classes from Foundations Stage 1 through to Year 11 and next year will open its Sixth Form offering a comprehensive programme of courses with the aim of being the leading British international school in the Emirate of Dubai with heavily oversubscribed applications for entry.

The College works closely with the local education regulator KHDA (Knowledge and Human Development Agency) to ensure that not only are all regulator and accreditation requirements fulfilled but will act as an example of best practice to be shared in many areas of teaching and pupil experience.

JOB DESCRPTION

Job Description: Head of Computer Science & Educational Technologies (Whole School)

Responsible for: The successful candidate will be responsible for leading the curriculum design for Computer Science from FS1 to Year 13. The post will hold responsibility promoting the use of a wide range of educational technologies across the College

Consulting with: All Staff

Reporting to: Deputy Head Academic (Senior School)

PERSON SPECIFICATION

- Leading the development of the Computer Science Department and promoting the use of educational technology across the whole College.

- Leading on the embedding of the 1-1 iPad program in the Prep School and BYOD program in the Senior School.

- Teach Computer Science across Key Stage 1-5, leading and developing the teaching of Computer Science and promoting, supporting and advising on the use of Educational Technology.

- Provide a clear sense of vision and strategic direction for the subject of Computer Science including STEAM and Robotics.

- Essential qualities will include the ability to work independently and collaboratively as part of a team and to present to parents, pupils and colleagues a warm, engaging and approachable personality. Candidates must be reliable and respectful at all times.

- The successful candidate will have a university degree and teaching qualification from a recognised academic institution and experience of teaching across key stages

- The successful candidate will hold subject and professional qualifications that are acceptable to the KHDA to teach in the subject area.

- A distinguished record of teaching, flexible and adaptable to the varied demands of working in a premier school, showing the capacity for creativity and innovation across and beyond the curriculum.

- A strong record of professional development and able to demonstrate a positive and proactive attitude towards participation in CPD and the College's PDR and appraisal processes.

- Able to work successfully under pressure with excellent organisational skills.

- A confident and competent user of IT in the classroom and for administrative purposes.

- Enthusiastic and passionate about education with a sound understanding of current UK best practice and a recent working knowledge of GCSE and A-Level qualifications.

- Proactive in all aspects of College life through participation and support.

- Able to present a professional image in line with the high expectations of Brighton College.

- The successful candidate for this challenging and rewarding position will have at least 2 years' experience.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- To be an ambassador for the College at all times, in school and within the United Arab Emirates.

- To teach a timetable, carry out staff duties (as determined by CLT) and actively support the Co-Curricular Programme leading a minimum of two activities per week.

- Prepare lessons and data required for KHDA inspections, including leading the Innovation and ICT Indicator in the SEF/SDP and other body accreditations.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

- To support colleagues in delivering the highest quality educational provision for our pupils

- To encourage each pupil to reach their academic potential through enthusiastic and personalised teaching, tailored stretch and challenge, rigorous record keeping and follow up.

- To be aware of and comply with all the College policies including those for marking and assessment, teaching and learning and reporting.

- To design robust, cohesive and high quality curriculum programmes across all key stages

- To be able to use data to track, monitor and intervene where appropriate to ensure all pupils reach their full potential

- To develop and share schemes of work and resources, using the agreed formats.

- To assist with covering colleagues as required.

- To attend all meetings and INSET as required.

- To prepare, invigilate and assess, as required internal and external tests and examinations.

PASTORAL

- To work within a House team as a Tutor in either Years 7-11 (and in due course for Years 12&13).

- To show an active interest in each child's personal and domestic circumstances and to foster the personal and social developments of each pupil in your care.

- To actively promote the social, moral and cultural ethos of the College community.

- To create an atmosphere of support by being aware of, and fully complying with, all the College Polices; including the Code of Conduct, School Rules, and the Anti-Bullying Policy.

- To be familiar with all the College's policies on Health and Safety and be proactive in ensuring the safety of all members of the College community at all times.

- To promote exemplary behaviour and a responsible attitude amongst all pupils at all times.

- To be aware of and act upon all policies regarding the safeguarding of children

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To promote pride in the College among the pupil body through high standards of dress, behaviour and commitment.

- To ensure that all communication is acted upon appropriately and in a timely manner.

- To attend Parents' Evenings, Assemblies, Productions, Sporting and Special Events.

- To be responsible for all College resources particularly those in your care, reporting damage or loss to your line manager or the facilities manager, as appropriate.

- To contribute to the College website, social media and publications as necessary.

- To contribute to the College's Self Evaluation and Development Plan.

- To foster a close partnership with parents, initiating contact in appropriate circumstances and ensuring that there is a record of this.

- To be in School prior to 7.00am and until at least 4.00pm (subject to confirmation of School operation hours).

- To carry out any reasonable professional request made by the Head Master, Deputy Head or member of the CLT.

REMUNERATION

- An attractive salary
- Accommodation
- School fee remission
- Private medical insurance for the post holder and his/her dependants

All of the above in line with specific school policies

HOW TO APPLY

All applications must consist of the following completed documents:

1. Letter of application (maximum one and a half sides of Garamond 12) addressed to Mr Simon Crane, Head Master of Brighton College Dubai. Please state clearly in your letter your teaching experience, together with details of your co-curricular strengths and contributions. This should be attached to your electronic application.

2. CV (maximum 4 sides) naming two referees, one of whom must be your current or most recent employer. This should be attached to your electronic application.

Please note:

Incomplete applications will not be considered and Brighton College Dubai reserves the right to make an appointment at any stage of the recruitment process.

Due to the expected high levels of interest in positions at the School, applications will be acknowledged on receipt however only candidates selected for interview will be contacted within 21 days of the closing date for applications.

CLOSING DATE AND INTERVIEWS

Deadline for Applications will be Tuesday, 20th October 2020

Interviews are likely to take place week beginning 25th October 2020

Brighton College Dubai is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Please note that should your application be successful, a police check will be undertaken in the country of origin; in the UK, a disclosure will be requested from the UK's Disclosure and Barring Service.