

Executive Headteacher Mr D J Gray MA, NPQH



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Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Mathematics at The Piggott School. We are an extremely successful, oversubscribed and happy co-educational academy. Our senior school site is on the outskirts of Wargrave (near Twyford) and our primary school site is in the village of Charvil.

The Piggott School was established in 1939 and, together with our primary site at Charvil, we are an all-through 4-18, mixed, comprehensive school with a higher than average ability intake. The Piggott School senior site has 1620 students and 175 staff.

The Mathematics department has a history of strong results over a period of many years at all Key Stages. In 2021 we had TAGs and in 2020 CAGS. In 2022, 96% of our students achieved a grade 4 or above at GCSE Mathematics (ALPS 2). Students of A level Mathematics achieved 88% A*- C (ALPS 2).

The Mathematics staff team consists of eight full time and nine part time specialist teachers with a range of experience from recently qualified to those who have been teaching for many years.

In addition, we have three LSAs within the Mathematics staff team. As well as supporting students in Maths lessons, two of our LSAs are numeracy coaches, working on a one-to-one basis with lower prior attainers in KS3 to support the development of skills, fluency and confidence.

In Years 7, 8 and 9, classes are timetabled in half year blocks. At regular intervals the students are tested and any necessary movement between sets takes place. At the end of Year 9, students are assessed and placed by ability in sets across the whole year group for Years 10 and 11. At A level, we have five mathematics classes in each year group as well as a Further Maths class. At Key Stage 4, we offer an options course combining Level 2 Further Mathematics and GCSE Statistics. At Key Stage 5, we also teach a course in Core Mathematics.

The department is located on the first floor of a modern building where there are dedicated maths teaching rooms, a breakout area, kitchen and maths office. On the ground floor, there is a full suite of computers which classes can use.

All Mathematics teaching staff are focused on delivering inspiring and challenging lessons, with good practice being shared amongst all to support continuous improvement in teaching and learning. The departmental team looks forward to working with a dedicated colleague who has a clear vision and commitment to helping the department move forward over the coming years.

Our mission is to be a school which inspires and encourages the highest achievement for each and every child. I believe that our school provides the correct balance and blend of academic challenge, personal care and enrichment that fosters the holistic development of each and every student.





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The quality of teaching and learning at our school enables us to achieve our aim to help every student to develop into the very best they can be: to be independent in their thinking, to value lifelong learning, to be open to new ideas, to encourage respect and tolerance.

The care and guidance offered at our school by the outstanding staff provide a culture and ethos which successfully help every child feel safe, happy and challenged. Our students are a delight to teach, with OfSTED grading us outstanding for personal development, behaviour and welfare, leadership and management, and SIAMS grading our school as outstanding.

The following documents need to be completed to apply for the post.

- 1. Application form
- 2. Covering letter

Please visit our website for additional information about the school and to download our prospectus. Prospective candidates are also most welcome to make an appointment with Sue Forrest, Head of Mathematics, via email (<u>s.forrest@piggottschool.org</u>).

Please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Preston, my PA, (prestonc@piggottschool.org) if you have any questions about the application or appointment process, or any questions for me.

The Piggott School is a unique and inspiring school. I am seeking to appoint an outstanding teacher. I very much look forward to receiving your application and to welcoming successful applicants to our learning community for interview.

D J Gray Executive Headteacher Every Child, Every Lesson, Every Day.





