

## **MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES TEACHER (including NQTs)**

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### **Teachers Pay Scale**

**Start date: September 2020 (or earlier for NQT)** 

We are seeking an enthusiastic and dynamic teacher to join our high achieving and experienced Languages team. Your specialist language should be French, and the ability to teach German or Spanish to KS3 would be an advantage. We offer a comprehensive induction and development programme for all new staff, and we are always keen to support and work with NQTs. Roundwood Park prides itself in identifying talent and developing its staff.

Roundwood Park is a forward looking and ambitious 11-18 co-educational comprehensive school with 1265 students on roll and enjoys a very good local reputation. We offer a comprehensive induction programme for all new staff. As a school graded 'Outstanding' by OFSTED, we were one of the first schools in the county to convert to Academy status in 2011. Roundwood Park is a school with a strong reputation as an innovative and exciting place in which to learn and to teach. It is a place where traditional values of smart appearance, excellent behaviour and acting with integrity mingle with modern learning and high academic standards. Additional information about the school can be found on our website <a href="https://www.roundwoodpark.co.uk">www.roundwoodpark.co.uk</a>

Please take particular note of the following instructions in respect of the application process:

- Your application should comprise a completed Application Form, either using the on-line form and process provided by the web recruitment platform where you see this advert, or a Word document template (from the school website Vacancies page), together with a letter or personal statement addressed to Alan Henshall, Headteacher, of no more than two sides of A4, explaining how you meet the requirements for this role
- If you use the Word template, your application should be submitted electronically to Ian Stowe, HR Manager, at <a href="mailto:i.stowe@roundwoodpark.co.uk">i.stowe@roundwoodpark.co.uk</a>.

We are committed to the safeguarding and promotion of children's welfare and an equal opportunities employer. We will need to obtain references in advance of interview for any candidate short-listed, and all job offers are subject to satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service clearance.

Interviews may be held whenever we have suitable applications and we reserve the right to close the advert early, so an early application is strongly recommended.

# The MFL Department



The MFL Department here at RPS is an outstanding department with a proven track record of excellent results; our GCSE results are consistently above average and we have strong results at A Level. We offer French, German and Spanish up to A Level and we are relentlessly focused on improvement.

The department is well appointed with a suite of classrooms and a dedicated computer room. We have a well-resourced departmental office and a conversation room which is used for speaking practice by our FLAs and A-Level MFL students. The department is superbly supported with allocated administrative staff. The department uses the most up-to-date resources and online learning platforms to support students with their MFL acquisition.

There are currently seven teachers in the department.

### **Key Stage 3**

Roundwood Park is a seven-form entry school. In Years 7 and 8, students have three one-hour lessons of MFL. Year 9 students can choose to continue with one or two languages, and they have the option to take up Spanish as their second MFL option choice.

We have recently re-developed our KS3 programme with exciting and challenging schemes of learning to help prepare students for the rigours of the new GCSE curriculum. Students are formally assessed once each term and all KS3 students sit an end-of-year exam. Whilst all schemes of learning are fully resourced, teachers can adapt resources to suit their individual classes.

### **Key Stage 4**

Year 10 and 11 students are taught in mixed ability groups. Languages are not compulsory at KS4, but a high proportion of students choose to study French, German and Spanish at GCSE. All KS4 MFL students sit the EDEXCEL GCSE examinations at the end of Year 11. The students have three hours of MFL teaching per week. Whilst all the units are fully resourced, teachers can choose to enhance lessons using materials they have created or sourced themselves.

#### **Key Stage 5**

At A-level the AQA specification is taught. In Year 12 students receive five hours of contact time and this reduces to four hours in Year 13. The students follow the A-Level course (we do not offer AS Levels).

The MFL Department offers a broad range of extra-curricular opportunities including residential trips for both KS3 and KS4 students.