



September 2024

Teacher of Chemistry (or graduate trainee)

UPPINGHAM



From the Headmaster, Dr Richard Maloney



Uppingham School has the highest ambitions for science education. Not only have we built the very best building for teaching science in the country, but we aspire for Uppingham to be the national centre for excellence in science education in the United Kingdom.

We seek to inspire and challenge our pupils to work at the highest academic levels. We are fortunate to have wonderful facilities and fantastic, highly committed teachers who nurture and support Uppinghamians at every stage of their time here.

I hope that you will be excited by the opportunity to join us in the Chemistry department. We are looking for someone with exceptional gifts and skills as a teacher to make a difference to our pupils.

I look forward to meeting you.

Dr Richard Maloney
Headmaster



Chemistry and Science at Uppingham

There are six specialist Chemistry teachers, working in a highly collegiate faculty of fifteen teachers, supported by a superb technical team. In the Lower School (Years 9-11) all pupils work towards either AQA GCSE separate sciences or CIE IGCSE Combined Science. In the Sixth Form there are currently more than 60 pupils studying Edexcel Chemistry A level.

The Chemistry department offers a wide range of extra-curricular and enrichment activities. There are Lower School and Sixth Form groups for the most able scientists as well as a popular Science Society. The Olympiad competitions are well established. There is an impressive recent record of successful applications to top universities. The Science faculty is well-funded and particularly well-resourced, but new initiatives and experience are welcomed.





About the role: Teacher of Chemistry

We seek to appoint a first-rate teacher of Chemistry from September 2024.

This position would suit an ECT, or an experienced teacher.

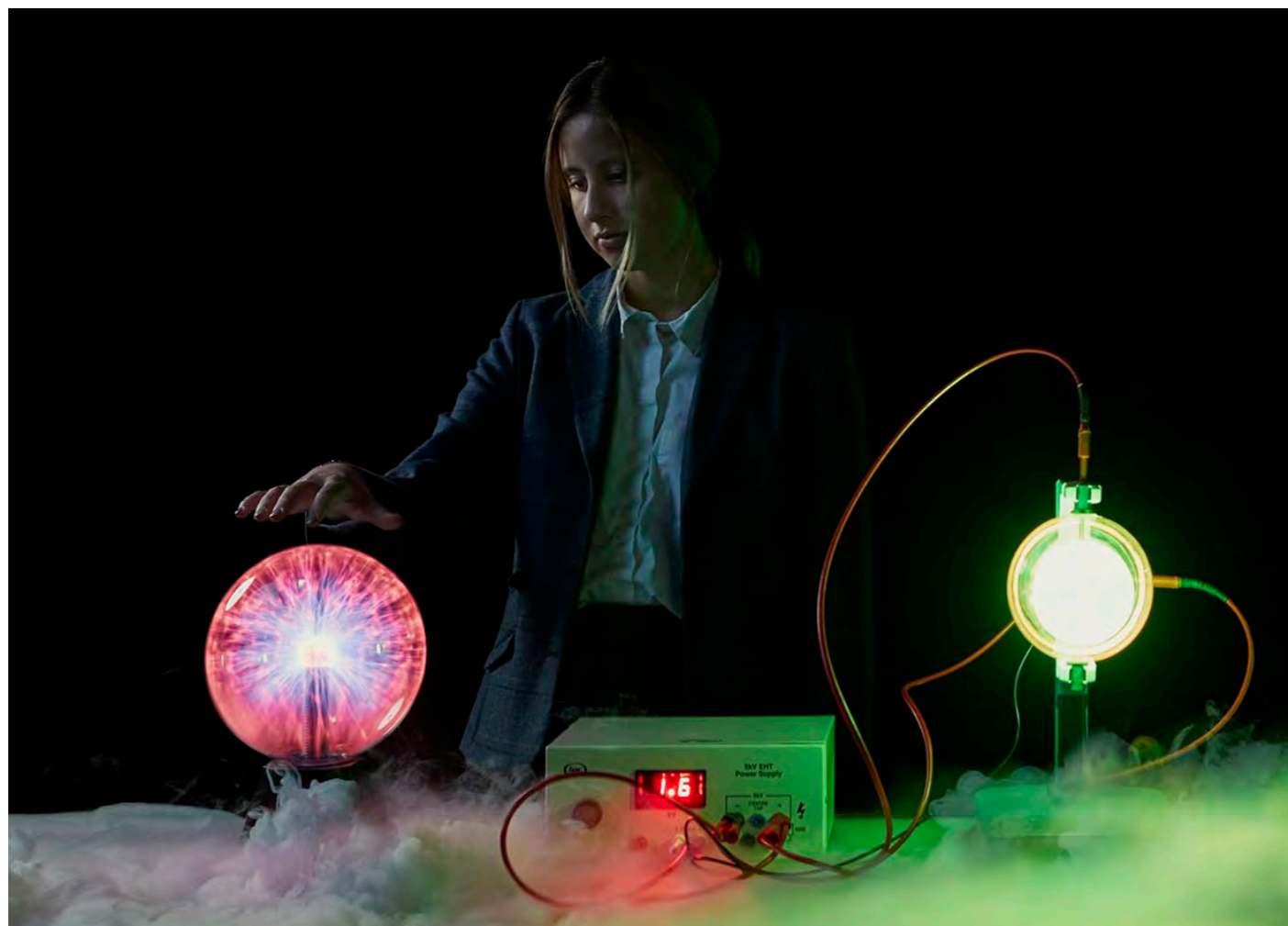
This position would also suit a recent graduate looking to train and qualify as a teacher whilst working. A graduate trainee would gain experience in a well-resourced department, working with a team of committed specialists. A training year would involve completing a University of Buckingham PGCE leading to QTS at the end of the year whilst teaching a suitably reduced timetable. A trainee teacher would have full responsibility for their own classes during the year, guided by their mentor, and would also undertake teaching placements in a different school setting.

Teachers at Uppingham play a full part in the life of this seven-day week boarding school, by taking on responsibilities in addition to classroom teaching. The co-curricular programme is exceptionally varied and includes a wide range of sports, CCF, community service and the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Each teacher is also attached as a tutor to one of the School's fifteen boarding houses, or the new day house opening in September 2024.

Accommodation may be available.

About the person

The person appointed will be a strong, dynamic character with excellent subject knowledge, a good degree, good classroom management skills and an appropriate rapport with pupils. The abilities to communicate well and to work as part of a team are essential. The successful candidate will have high personal and professional standards, with well developed pastoral instincts. Experienced candidates will have a track record of excellent teaching.



Teaching at Uppingham

Remuneration and Benefits

The School has its own salary scale for qualified teachers, which is reviewed annually. The scale starts at £35,627 and progression is possible to £64,859. The School offers an extensive range of benefits including a school fee discount scheme for children of staff, free gym membership, subsidised medical scheme, excellent pension scheme, and free Westfield Healthcare and Rewards package which includes discounts in retail outlets, restaurants, cinemas and with holiday providers.

All members of staff are expected to live within reasonable distance of the School so that they can contribute to boarding school life easily and effectively. Assistance with reasonable removal expenses is provided. School property is sometimes available initially, at a subsidised rate, for those who wish to rent, and some partly furnished flats are provided for those coming straight from university or overseas. Most staff prefer to buy their own houses in due course, and there is a wide range of property available in the town and surrounding villages.

One of Uppingham's great community strengths is dining in house. Each day teaching staff are invited to lunch in a boarding house; a genuine pleasure in the midst of a busy week.

Life in Rutland

Rutland – England's smallest county – is located in a beautiful part of the country. Alongside the stunning countryside, with Rutland Water only six miles away, there are a mass of leisure pursuits on our doorstep.

The town offers a range of independent stores and its location allows access to a number of thriving cities and towns. Uppingham is equidistant between Peterborough and Leicester which have excellent shopping centres, and Leicester, Nottingham and Birmingham all enjoy first-class theatre and concert facilities. Cambridge can be reached in 50 minutes and Oxford in an hour and a half. London is an hour by train from Corby, Kettering or Peterborough.

Maidwell Hall, situated in neighbouring Northamptonshire, is part of the Uppingham Group of Schools and educates pupils from Reception to Year 8. Uppingham town has nurseries, two maintained primary schools and an 11-16 community college, with sixth form colleges in nearby towns, such as Oakham and Stamford. There is a considerable community of young children within the area.

The next steps

Closing date:
Friday 3 May at 9.00am

Interviews:
Week beginning Tuesday 7 May

Informal enquiries may be made to the Head of Chemistry, Rob King, RAK@uppingham.co.uk

Applications must be made on the School's application form, which can be obtained via the School website or from recruitment@uppingham.co.uk.

Completed applications must reach us by the closing date and should be returned to recruitment@uppingham.co.uk or by post to:

HR Department, Uppingham School
High Street West, Uppingham, Rutland LE15 9QE

Uppingham School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Successful candidates must be willing to undergo full screening in accordance with Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSiE), including an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. Issues relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of pupils will be explored at interview.

At Uppingham School, we value a truly inclusive, fair and equal work environment for all. Opportunities to work at Uppingham School are open to all, at all levels. We want to further increase the diversity of our workforce and actively encourage and welcome applications from candidates who have black, Asian, and minority ethnic backgrounds.





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