

Teacher of Spanish

April 2024 start (Maternity cover)

The Role

Learning a language is an enriching experience both culturally and intellectually. We aim to spark a passion for learning languages in our children and encourage inquisitiveness and a deep interest in other cultures.

At Westbourne, languages are taught across all Key Stages. Spanish is a crucial language for our pupils to learn as it supports the development of children's phonics, being such a phonetically-friendly language.

We are looking for an inspiring teacher to share their love of languages and create a stimulating learning environment that challenges all pupils. You will teach KS2 and KS3 and therefore must have experience of teaching a range of ages and abilities. The successful candidate will be a qualified teacher with a degree in Languages, as well as a specialist in teaching Spanish. The ability to teach other languages would be advantageous.

Westbourne offers a fantastic and engaging programme. In addition to organising enriching activities as part of the school day, the pupils visit various language festivals and workshops where they learn through a variety of mediums including, song, dance, art and drama. Immersion courses and visits from children of international schools allow the children to develop their language skills further.

There is potential for this role to include teaching sport. Please indicate on the application form if this is of interest.

This is a part-time (0.51 FTE | 3 days including sport **or** 0.35 FTE | 2.5 days not including sport), maternity cover position, starting in April 24 for a period of up to one year.

We can offer:

- Strong, supportive staff team
- Competitive salary
- Royal London Pension Scheme
- Discretionary school fee discount
- Use of the school's facilities – swimming pool and sports facilities, subsidised staff
- yoga class
- Cycle to Work Scheme
- Employee Assistance Programme

Closing date: 17th March 2024

We reserve the right to interview and offer to a strong candidate prior to the closing date. For this reason, early applications are encouraged.

Please apply by completing the application form. CVs may be attached, but not in place of the application form. Please return completed applications to Robyn Aubrey at hr@westbournehouse.org.

Westbourne House is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with current and past employers, online checks, the Disclosure & Barring Service, overseas checks and the Secretary of State's Prohibition List from Teaching and Management.

About the School

Westbourne House is situated just to the east of Chichester in beautiful grounds of over 100 acres. There are approximately 360 pupils, aged 2½ -13. Most children go on to major Public Schools across the South.

The school enjoys outstanding facilities. Teaching is extremely well resourced with excellent teaching rooms, the majority equipped with interactive whiteboards; there are also sets of laptops which can be booked for class based work. There are rooms for Art, Ceramics, ICT, Design Technology and Food Technology, a separate Science block and Music School, as well as a modern, 300 seat theatre/assembly hall. The School also has a large (30 acre) lake on the north boundary for kayaking.

Academic standards are high, with consistently outstanding Common Entrance results together with an excellent scholarship record; totalling 140 over the last five years.

Westbourne House uses the High Performance Learning philosophy to guide all pupils in becoming good learners. The school believes that all pupils have the potential to perform at the highest level regardless of their current performance level. The Advanced Cognitive Performance Characteristics (ACPs) and Values, Attitudes and Attributes (VAAs) of HPL are the "thinking" and "behaviour" characteristic and these are delivered specifically and systematically throughout the curriculum.

The Music and Drama departments also excel consistently: all children are involved in school productions, a large number are members of school choirs and there are regular concerts.

Saturday school consists of sports matches, as well as optional enrichment activities, such as kayaking and coding.

There is a wide variety of sport on offer, and a large number of teams represent the school most Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. As well as extensive playing fields, there is a 25-metre swimming pool, dance studio, sports hall, squash courts and a full-sized astro-turf pitch.

There are around 100 boarders, many of whom board for two or three nights in one of seven houses on the school grounds. The school offers full time boarding allowing the children to further enjoy the beautiful facilities and grounds the school has to offer.