

TEACHER OF ENGLISH: APPLICATION PACK

OUR SCHOOL

Our school at a glance:

- Co-educational
- Ages 11 to 16
- Day school
- Small class sizes
- Central London location
- Modern facilities overlooking the iconic London skyline



NORTH BRIDGE HOUSE



Founded in 1939, North Bridge House is a co-educational day school group that nurtures the individual and develops each student's independent strengths and talents. It educates children from the ages of 2 to 18 and is part of the Cognita Schools organisation.

Our schools

- NBH Nursery and Pre-Prep Hampstead (ages 2-7 years)
- NBH Prep School Regent's Park (ages 7-13 years)
- NBH Senior Hampstead (ages 11-16 years)
- NBH Senior Canonbury (ages 11-18 years)

Our vision

All staff members across the North Bridge House group are dedicated to our three vision pillars:

- Knowing the individual
- Fostering academic excellence
- Cultivating character and promoting wellbeing

North Bridge House Senior Hampstead

Having previously shared its site with the Prep School, North Bridge House Senior School moved to its new home in Hampstead in 2012, allowing the group to expand and provide more specialist provision. Nestled just above Hampstead's bustling High Street and with stunning views across the Capital, North Bridge House Senior Hampstead is a contemporary building in the heart of London's most famous village, serving the needs of local children from Year 7 through to GCSE. The school has a maximum capacity of 450 students and maximum class sizes of 25.

Cognita

Cognita is a leading international schools group, with a portfolio of over 105 schools in Europe, Latin America and South-East Asia.

My children have received an enormous amount of support at school; this has given them the very best chance of achieving their potential. They have enjoyed excellent relationships with school staff and have really enjoyed the community of NBH.

Parent at North Bridge House
Senior Hampstead

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Thank you for your interest in joining our team as a Teacher of English. This opportunity arises due to a long-established member of the team embarking upon a new career path.

English is a key part of the school, with a growing number of students opting for Sixth Form courses in English Language or Literature. The English Department are a wonderfully collaborative team who are constantly striving to review their curriculum to ensure that it remains relevant to our students whilst giving them access to a broad range of texts from around the world. They approach their teaching with real passion and, through their professional discussions, demonstrate the same reflective skills they wish to develop in their students.

They are equally adept at challenging our most gifted English students whilst supporting those that find parts of the subject a challenge. As our new teacher you'll need to show a genuine commitment to ensuring all students leave North Bridge House with an appreciation of the importance of engaging with a wide variety of literary voices. This team has achieved excellent academic results both in terms of attainment and individual student progress.

The English Team are fully involved in the extra-curricular aspect of the school and there is scope for the successful applicant to contribute to this provision through new activities and clubs - particularly in making links with other subjects. Members of the department have led on a number of important projects including our whole-school Enrichment offering, Equality & Diversity student leadership, creative collaborations with the Royal Free Hospital School, debating and writing competitions, poetry performances and many more.

If you are a new entrant to the profession or an experienced colleague looking for a fresh challenge, you'll need the energy and dedication to ensure our children become confident in sharing their own views and analysing those of others. With your excellent teaching, they'll take the passion with them beyond their time at school.

If you want to be part of a school that values an appreciation of English as a central element in helping our children to find their 'True North' then I look forward to hearing from you.

Christopher Jones
Headteacher

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Jones', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Christopher Jones
Headteacher

THE ROLE

Key Responsibilities

- Provide excellent, inspirational and dedicated teaching in a safe and stimulating environment
- Teach English to pupils in KS3 (Years 7-9) and KS4 (Years 10-11)
- Take responsibility for promoting, coordinating and participating in English activities throughout the school year via after-school clubs, enrichment activities, guest-speakers, themed weeks and House competitions
- Plan lessons and schemes of work both independently and collaboratively with the English Department that address the various needs of both our individual pupils and the wider cohort
- Contribute to the creation of departmental development plans, policies, curriculum documents, risk assessments etc. in liaison with the English Department and the Senior Leadership Team
- Record and report upon the development, progress and attainment of all pupils and share this information with pupils, parents/guardians and colleagues
- Communicate with parents/guardians in a timely, transparent and positive manner
- Deploy the data from assessment to ensure that individual pupils have targets that challenge and stretch their ability

Benefits

- Competitive salary package
- Teachers' Pension Scheme membership
- Extensive Professional Development opportunities - including an international staff exchange programme
- Free lunch
- Fee reduction for staff children
- Childcare voucher scheme
- Collaborative and supportive working environment
- Longer holidays than the maintained sector
- Membership of a global schools group

The Department

English is taught from Years 7-11 to all students, with KS4 students following the Edexcel GCSE English Language and English Literature specifications. Pupils study a rich and diverse English curriculum which aims to develop an enthusiasm for the subject; build confidence in spoken and written communication skills; foster a love of reading; encourage creativity and curiosity; nurture independent thinking. Through studying English at NBH, students gain an understanding of themselves, others, and the world beyond them. The department is highly collaborative and passionate about providing students with the best possible learning experiences. The team meets regularly to discuss, reflect upon, improve, and innovate our practice to ensure excellent pupil progress and engagement. Beyond the classroom, the department offers opportunities such as creative writing clubs, A-Level English Literature Taster sessions, debating, book clubs, and reading and writing competitions. There would be opportunities for the successful applicant to further develop this extra-curricular provision.



North Bridge House Senior Hampstead



HOW TO FIND US

The school is situated in the heart of Hampstead, north London and easily accessible via public transport with closely located underground and overground stations. A short walk from the picturesque Hampstead Heath and a stone's throw from a selection of popular cafes and restaurants.



OUR LOCATION

65 Rossllyn Hill
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PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Hampstead: 0.2 miles
Hampstead Heath: 0.2 miles
Belsize Park: 0.6 miles
Finchley Road & Frognal: 0.7 miles

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