

VANDYKE UPPER SCHOOL

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ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY TECHNICIAN

REQUIRED APRIL –MINIMUM THREE DAYS – MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

NJC Level 2A (points 3-4), from £13,129 to £13,335 per annum for 22.5 hours per week term-time (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday), plus 22.5 hours to be worked outside term-time (based on full-time salary of £24,796 to £25,185).

An exciting opportunity to be part of a strong team in a growing and thriving School with a clear vision and ambition for our students.

The successful candidate will work within the art and photography department providing technician support to both staff and students; preparing and maintaining practical resources and equipment, ordering stock and assisting teachers in the classrooms. You will be committed, resourceful and flexible in the role, and be able to work as part of a team while using your own initiative. Hours to be worked over three days per week, 9am-3.30pm.

Students have two lessons of art per fortnight in Year 9. At KS4 we offer GCSE art and GCSE photography and at KS5, A level art and A level photography. The department is housed in excellent accommodation comprising of an open plan thoroughfare with teachers having their own rooms, in addition to a project and printmaking room with a printing press, a dedicated sixth form studio, an ICT suite with Photoshop Elements, a teachers' office, a technician's prep/store room and a photographic darkroom. We have facilities for photo-stencil silkscreen printing. The art department foyer features changing displays of students' work and the department walls permanently showcase high quality displays of students' artwork. Every summer we hold a popular art exhibition that has rightly earned the Vandyke art department an excellent reputation for personal and varied work, where students bring their families and friends along, in addition to invited members of the public.

Our recent OFSTED visit highlighted "Students at Vandyke are proud and articulate ambassadors for their school. They enjoy learning and achieve well. They thrive as a result of the school's ambition for all students to become 'world ready citizens'" "Students are confident, courteous and aspirational. They behave well and move around the school calmly. They respect themselves and others".

OFSTED January 2024.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people. References and an online search will be carried out for all shortlisted candidates. An enhanced DBS check is required for all successful applicants.

We welcome interested candidates to come and visit prior to application. Visits to the school can be arranged by contacting Jo Sessions.

Please visit our website at www.vandyke.beds.sch.uk for further information and an application form, or contact Mrs Jo Sessions, PA to Headteacher on 01525 636700 or via email recruitment@vandyke.cbeds.co.uk.

Closing date: 12 noon, Thursday 19th March 2025
