

DULWICH COLLEGE
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Teacher of English (Fixed Term Contract)

Information for Applicants

Welcome

Dear Potential Applicant

Thank you for applying to work at Dulwich College. I hope that you will find the prospectuses and web pages useful and feel that they provide a better understanding of our aims, values and ethos. I also hope this booklet makes you feel you might thrive here, would like to join us and make a great professional contribution.

At heart, the College's focus ensures the wellbeing, experience and achievements of our pupils. We want them to be happy, to flourish and to get the very best from their time here. These aims also allow us to have a positive relationship with our families, and uphold our reputation and strategic ambitions.

We have a large, diverse, dedicated and talented team of colleagues. It is a huge collective effort to achieve our annual and long-term goals, and we could not do this without everyone working together in a diligent and good humoured manner.

As well as rewarding and fun, being part of the College is demanding at times and we have high expectations of all our colleagues. There are, however, many advantages and opportunities, which are better explained in this booklet. Put simply, we wish to get the best from everyone and we will seek to invest in you and develop you during your time with us.

We recognise that many of our colleagues are professionally ambitious. We will certainly help you in your aims, through mentoring, professional development courses and career opportunities.

We are fortunate to have a large College community, with several career pathways and experiences available. We hope that you will enjoy working here, really understand the value and the commitment shown by everyone and wish to play your part in the exciting life of Dulwich.

Mr Robert Milne
Master





The College

Dulwich College is an academically selective independent school for boys in south east London, known for its inspired teaching, genuine scholarship and broad co-curricular life.

Our dedicated and increasingly diverse staff of approximately 250 teachers and 350 operational colleagues, support a pupil body of approximately 1,850 across the Senior and Junior Schools and DUCKS, our co-educational nursery and infant school.

Set within 70 acres of beautiful grounds, yet only 12 minutes by train from central London, the College offers an exceptional working environment — spacious, well-resourced and rich in heritage. The campus blends iconic listed buildings with award-winning new architecture, creating a dynamic and inspiring setting that values curiosity, creativity and collaboration among both pupils and staff.



Vision Values & EDI

Our Vision

To be an outstanding school that inspires every pupil to work, study and serve with purpose, developing the potential to make a positive difference in the world.

Our Values

Purpose, kindness and joy – underpin a culture of curiosity, creativity, compassion and integrity. We promote collaboration, resilience and appreciation of the benefits of living and learning within a diverse, inclusive community.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

We celebrate the diversity of our pupils, staff, alumni and parents, recognising that varied backgrounds and experiences create a vibrant and forward-looking community. Dulwich College stands firmly against discrimination in all forms and is committed to advancing inclusion, social responsibility and the core British values of democracy, liberty, respect, tolerance and the rule of law.



Role Details

We wish to appoint a first-rate graduate for September 2026 to teach English throughout the College, including in the Lower School, and at GCSE and A Level. The successful candidate will join a friendly and hard-working team of thirteen staff, some of whom are part-time, with a wide variety of academic interests.

The department seeks to nurture a love of literature and expertise in written and spoken expression in all pupils at the College. We are committed to a diverse, inclusive and intellectually engaging curriculum. A rich departmentally devised scheme is followed in Key Stage Three, with an emphasis on encountering a range of writers and voices and instilling a strong foundation in key literary knowledge and critical thinking skills. IGCSE courses begin in Year 9, with pupils taking Edexcel IGCSE English Language and Literature. A Level English Literature is a popular option, with between 40 and 50 pupils opting to pursue the OCR course each year. Public examination results are excellent and among the strongest in the College.

We offer a busy programme of co-curricular societies, talks and trips, and the appointed candidate will also be expected to make an energetic contribution to the intellectual and imaginative life of the department. There is plenty of scope to develop particular literary and scholarly interests: teachers and pupils regularly address our thriving Literary Society in the Upper School and there is a well-attended extension group in the Middle School.

Creative writing groups meet regularly and contribute to *The Alleynian*, the College's annual magazine. In recent years Dulwich pupils have seen success in several writing competitions including the Orwell Youth Prize and the Goldsmith's Young Writer Award. Several members of the department offer courses to the Upper School as part of the College's Advanced Elective and Liberal Studies programmes and give seminars in both the Upper School and Junior School Symposiums. The teaching of English is also supported by the Learning Support department and reading schemes devised and promoted by the College's team of librarians.

Job description

Job title

Teacher of English (Fixed Term)

Reporting to

Head of English

Period of employment

Fixed term for two or three terms from September 2026

Hours of work

Full time

Salary

The College has its own teacher salary scales, which are above those of the maintained sector and compare favourably with those at other independent schools of similar standing

Essential Qualifications

Educated to Degree Level

Desirable Qualifications

QTS

Tasks and duties

All staff have a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. The post holder will undertake the appropriate level of training and is responsible for ensuring that they understand and work with the safeguarding policies of the organisation.





Contribute towards the school's principal objectives as follows:

1. To help ensure that all our pupils feel equally secure and valued. In particular:
 - Maintain a well-managed classroom that allows every student to flourish
 - Work closely with other members of staff to implement College policies on the curriculum and discipline
 - Support the Wellbeing of pupils, including acting as a Form Tutor
2. To offer academic challenges that enable all pupils to realise their potential. In particular:
 - Plan, prepare and deliver lessons that will inspire engagement and excellence in your subject, to a range of abilities
 - Prepare pupils effectively for external examinations, whilst also taking opportunities to encourage free learning beyond the syllabus
 - Provide ongoing feedback to pupils, assessing their knowledge and understanding and providing direction to enable future improvements
 - Review and reflect upon your own subject knowledge and teaching methods through observations, INSET and CPD.
3. To provide sporting, cultural, charitable and adventurous engagement for all our pupils to enjoy and through which they can learn to work cooperatively and to lead:
 - Assist with curricular and co-curricular activities beyond lesson time
4. To nurture a supportive community that encourages a sense of social responsibility:
 - Play an active role in departmental meetings, parents' evenings, whole College events (eg Open Mornings, Careers Conventions, Founders' Day)



Application Procedure

To apply for this role please visit our [vacancies page](#).

Closing date

Monday 11 May 2026

Interview date

Interviews will take place on site on Monday 18 May 2026

We encourage early applications, as we may interview and appoint suitable candidates before the advertised closing and interview dates.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. This is the responsibility of the whole College community. We all remain vigilant about safeguarding at the College and we never think that child abuse could not happen here or to our pupils. A DBS Disclosure is required to Enhanced level. The DBS Code of Practice and the Standard and Enhanced DBS Privacy Policy can be found on our website. Charity 1150064

College Community and Benefits



Make your money go further

- Flexible pension/pay – Join TPS or choose the Group Pension for 10% employer contributions and a higher take-home pay. (Same total package).
- Lunches – Free lunch in the dining hall or to take-away.
- Fee remission – Discounts on fees at Dulwich College, Alleyn's Dulwich, JAGS Dulwich and DUCKS (admissions rules apply).
- High-street savings – Access to discounts on restaurants, food deliveries and shopping.

Help with your commute

- Bike to Work - Tax-efficient bike purchase.
- Onsite parking - Free parking on Campus, EV parking.

Support for your wellbeing

- SimplyHealth plan - Cash back on routine medical expenses
- 24/7 GP access – Online consultations, advice and referrals.
- EAP – 24/7 emotional, financial and relationship support.
- Sports club – Free family membership.
- Eye tests & flu jabs – Free tests and seasonal vaccinations.

Protection when you need it

- Life insurance – Included with all pension schemes.
- Accident insurance – Cover for permanent disability or dental injury.

Support for life outside work

- Family leave – Enhanced leave for new arrivals
- New baby perk – Cash contribution from SimplyHealth.
- IVF leave – Up to 5 days for essential appointments.

Boost your social life

- Events & clubs – From Burns Night to book clubs and quizzes.
- Dulwich Picture Gallery – Free entry with staff pass.
- Dulwich Golf Club – Discounted 'Member's guest' rate.
- Private functions – Reduced rates for venue hire (subject to availability).



Important Information

Safeguarding

All staff are responsible for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, completing the required training, and adhering to College safeguarding policies.

Health and Safety

Staff must also take reasonable care of their own health and safety and that of others, follow safety procedures, use equipment responsibly, and co-operate with managers on all health and safety matters.

Safer Recruitment

You will find our application form detailed — this ensures we meet the rigorous standards required when employing people to work with or around children and young people.

Vetting

All appointments are subject to pre-appointment vetting, as required by law, which will include satisfactory criminal record checks.

Get in touch

Queries should be sent to joinourteam@dulwich.org.uk



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