



Wadebridge School

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Head of Modern Foreign Languages

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Permanent contract

Wadebridge School is a popular, successful school and is looking to appoint an experienced, dynamic and innovative teacher with excellent team management and organisational skills as Curriculum Area Leader for Modern Foreign Languages. This is a full-time position but we would consider a request for a part-time contract (0.8 full time equivalent).

Students at Wadebridge study either French or Spanish at Key Stage 3. There is a consistent uptake of either one or two groups in both French and Spanish at GCSE and both the department and the school are looking to increase interest and numbers opting for MFL going forward. A bespoke curriculum is followed at Key Stage 3, resourced as appropriate from the Pearson Viva and Dynamo courses. For GCSE, the Edexcel exam is used, with the Year 11 curriculum based on Studio and Viva GCSE and Year 9 and 10 based on the new GCSE resources.

The department consists of three teachers with the additional advantage of foreign language assistants for both French and Spanish, who are deployed each year by the school. These assistants work with small groups of students both inside and outside the classroom in addition to running cultural language clubs and helping with after school GCSE support.

The successful candidate will possess a clear vision of the role of Modern Foreign Languages within the wider curriculum and how this can be developed in the light of changes to the education and employment landscape. They will have a passion for languages and desire to inspire young people to continue and develop their learning to GCSE and beyond. They will demonstrate excellent knowledge of current trends in foreign language pedagogy and be prepared to explore and contribute to adventurous, innovative approaches to classroom teaching, including via language learning technology.

At Wadebridge we try to balance an unwavering focus on progress and achievement for all, with working tirelessly to support our young people in every aspect of their lives; standing alongside them to build the skills and strategies needed in order to remove barriers to their learning and/or social and emotional development. As a school we are committed to promoting the health and wellbeing of everyone in our school community and this starts with our staff: health and wellbeing is the number one priority on all our school improvement and professional growth plans. In 2020 our work in this area was recognised by Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health in Schools when we were achieved a Gold Award ([the full report can be accessed here](#)). In November 2023 we were successfully reaccredited for the Gold Award ([the full report can be viewed here](#)).

Some of the strategies we have implemented include:-

- Over 130 colleagues at all levels (95% of the full staff body) have completed a two-day training programme with MHFA England to be certificated as Mental Health First Aiders
- We have an extensive and highly effective student support team
- A dedicated team of Health Champions focussing on strategies to promote positive staff wellbeing
- Fully paid wellbeing time built into the school calendar each half term
- The school subscribes to [Education Support's Employee Assistance Programme](#) providing all colleagues with access to
 - A range of clinically robust counselling options,
 - Financial, legal and practical support from qualified professionals on a range of personal issues
 - Access to online health and wellbeing resources and a specialist information service



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- A dedicated coaching service for line managers, aimed at developing soft skills and building confidence for handling challenging situations.

Wadebridge School has 1066 students and provides education for students from 11 to 16. We were successfully inspected by Ofsted in December 2019 and remain a good school in all areas – the full report is available to view on our school website www.wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk

The school is committed to safeguarding children and the successful applicant will be required to provide an enhanced DBS disclosure.

To apply for this position, please complete the application form and return by email to rhughes@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk

Closing date: 28th April 2024 - midnight

Interview date: w/c 6th May 2024

Start date: 1st September 2024