

Dear Applicant

March 2017

Thank you for your interest in the post of **Physics Teacher** which arises due to growth in our staffing.

JCoSS is an innovative and highly successful school, known and respected for its vision, humanity and excellent outcomes. An aspirational learning community with an innovative and pluralist Jewish ethos, we opened in 2010 in a beautiful £48m building on the edge of the Green Belt. We have reached full capacity this year as our first cohort reaches Year 13, and are heavily oversubscribed, with a bulge class planned for 2017. Our early cohorts have achieved outstanding GCSE results, with 40% of grades at A* and A, and just under a quarter of students achieving 9A or better. We have consistently achieved ALPS Grade 2 at both GCSE and A level, putting us in the top 10% for added value, and were amongst the top 100 non-selective schools nationally in 2015. Our 2015 Ofsted inspection graded us Good with a number of Outstanding features, including the 6th form and our SEN provision.

Our staff are enthusiastic professionals who combine commitment and flexibility, and the culture of the school is one of purposeful good humour and humanity. Our families are motivated, eloquent and supportive, with high expectations, and our students are enormous fun to teach. We are determined to offer them the very best academic and vocational education, and to support and challenge all in attaining the highest results and developing open hearts and minds.

We seek to appoint a dynamic and enthusiastic teacher to join our Science team. The School opened with a Science Specialism and it continues to enjoy a prime position in the JCoSS curriculum. The Faculty currently includes Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Psychology, and from September 2017 there will be 14 full time teachers, 1 part timer, 3 technicians and a Faculty LSA. The Faculty is housed in excellent facilities in a dedicated wing of the school. Resources are ample and there is a strong sense of Faculty cohesion. Results are excellent: our first GCSE cohort achieved A*-C pass rates well over 90% in all papers. We currently teach the AQA Science specifications at both Key Stage 4 and 5.

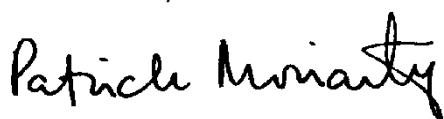
As a result of expansion of the school and an increase in the hours allocated at Key Stage 5 we seek a well qualified Physics teacher to teach general Science at Key Stage 3 and Physics at Key Stages 4 & 5. Additional responsibility allowances may be available for suitably experienced candidates, and we offer NQTs employment in the last few weeks of the summer term. We welcome applicants from teachers of any faith or none. JCoSS welcomes, on an equal basis, all applications regardless of faith.

Please complete the application form as fully as possible, and attach a separate letter of application. As a guide, this should be no more than two sides of A4, addressing the criteria identified in the Person Specification, explaining how your experience has prepared you for this role and school, and outlining a vision for your contribution to JCoSS. The closing date for applications is 9 a.m. on Wednesday 15th March and the interview will be on Monday 20th March. Successful shortlisted candidates will be contacted by email or telephone. The successful applicant will take up post in September 2017.

JCoSS is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all its staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All posts are subject to satisfactory enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) clearance.

Should you have further questions or wish to have a confidential conversation, please contact Dr Hannah Oliver, Head of Science Faculty, at the school. We look forward very much to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely



Patrick Moriarty, **Headteacher**