

# **COMPUTING TEACHER Candidate Pack**

**Start Date: Thursday 29 August 2025** 

**Application deadline: Monday 17 March 2025** 

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St Peter's Preparatory School sits on a beautiful rural site in East Devon surrounded by fields and enjoying unrivalled views over farmland down to the River Exe. It is one of the most successful and forward-looking independent preparatory schools in the South West, awarded a 'significant strength' in



our most recent ISI Inspection (May 2024). We believe in nurturing young minds to become the leaders of tomorrow. Join our vibrant community, and embark on a journey of excellence, growth, and discovery.

## **Overview of vacancy**

We seek an enthusiastic Computing Teacher to deliver engaging lessons to KS2 and KS3, integrating technology using Google Suite, Chromebooks, and Micro:Bits. You will inspire pupils, promote STEM, monitor progress, and contribute to co-curricular activities. Strong computing expertise, creativity, and a commitment to pastoral care are essential. A full job description can be found below.

# **Salary and Benefits**

**Position:** Part time (0.2FTE - 10 hours), permanent **Hours:** Two afternoons (12:00 to 17:00) or one full day (08:00 to 18:00) per week during term time (and INSET days). The working day(s) must be Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays.

**Annual salary:** Competitive, dependent on qualifications

and experience

**Probation period:** Two terms

# **Additional benefits**

Lunch
Teachers' pension scheme
Discount on school fees
Employee assistance programme

### **Application process**

Please <u>click here</u> to download an application form. Completed applications should be emailed to <u>recruitment@stpetersprepschool.co.uk</u> or posted to Recruitment Team, St Peter's Preparatory School, Harefield, Lympstone EX8 5AU by **Monday 17 March 2025.** 

We encourage applications as soon as possible and the School reserves the right to appoint before the deadline for applications.

Please note that applications will only be accepted on the School's own application form. We are unable to consider CVs.

## Provisional interview date: Monday 24 March 2025

Shortlisted candidates will undergo an online check. The successful candidate will also be required to complete full child protection screening, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Our 'Privacy Notice' and 'Recruitment, Selection, Disclosures and Induction Policy' are available to view on the <u>School's website</u>.

## **Job Description**

**Role:** Computing Teacher

**Responsible to:** Head through Deputy Head Academic



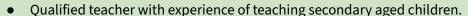
#### **Primary purpose**

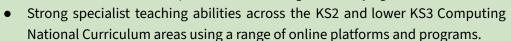
To plan lessons, teach and assess KS2 and KS3 Computing curriculum and promote STEM across the school.

# **Key Accountabilities**

- Plan lessons and deliver inspirational teaching of the KS2/KS3 computing curriculum, seeking to motivate, support and stretch pupils to achieve their full potential.
- To support the delivery of computing across the school as required
- Encourage and enhance STEM engagement throughout the school through delivery of STEM clubs and activities
- Develop creative teaching learning opportunities using Chromebooks and iPads, as well as other hardware such as Micro:Bits
- Use all aspects of the Google Suite for Education effectively and efficiently within the teaching and learning of the curriculum.
- Monitor and review pupil progress and attainment, managing any concerns in a timely manner and liaising with other staff and parents as necessary.
- Ensure teaching is appropriate to the educational needs of the pupils, including completion of provision maps for all pupils taught, demonstrating exemplary classroom practice.
- Provide regular feedback to pupils and their parents on effort, progress and attainment, including written reports and parents' evenings.
- Work collaboratively with colleagues, including other teaching staff, teaching assistants, learning success staff, Head of Science and the management team, to deliver units of work and ensure outstanding pastoral care.
- Actively contribute to assemblies, productions and events as well as fulfilling assigned duties and participating in the running of clubs and activities which make up the co-curricular programme.
- Maintain positive relationships with colleagues, parents and other schools.
- Promote a positive climate, seeking to review and improve personal and whole-school effectiveness and efficiency and visibly supporting the ethos, aims, and objectives of the school.
- Comply with all school policies and procedures, contributing to their review as required.
- Expand knowledge, understanding and skills, keeping up to date with current educational thinking and practice, by undertaking relevant CPD.
- Adhere to the school's vision on wellbeing that supports the school's ethos and aims, demonstrating a deep commitment to promoting the wellbeing of children.

### **Essential Qualifications, Experience and Skills**







- Passion and knowledge of engaging pupils in STEM opportunities.
- Computing subject leadership experience and / or willingness to take this on and oversee the subject development and act as a digital champion within the school community.
- Confident experience using all aspects of the Google Suite for Education.
- Experience of pastoral care of children up to Year 8.
- Excellent written and verbal communication, with both children and adults.
- Strong organisational skills, including prioritisation and finishing tasks to completion.
- Effective team-working, demonstrating loyalty and support to colleagues.
- A resourceful, creative and enthusiastic teacher and individual.
- Resilience and flexibility to manage diverse and conflicting demands.

#### **Personal Characteristics**

• Experienced in teaching primary aged children.

What is set out above amounts to a statement of what may be regarded as minimum expectations, not an exclusive summary and may be amended at the reasonable discretion of the Head to meet the changing needs of the school.

# **History of the School**

St Peter's Preparatory School, located in Lympstone, has a rich history spanning over a century. Founded in 1882, this prestigious preparatory school has played a significant role in the education and development of young students in the region.



#### Early Years (1880s-1930s):

St Peter's Preparatory School was established in the late 19th century with the aim of providing a high-quality education for young boys in the Exmouth and Lympstone area. Before relocating to Lympstone in 1949, the school's original site was on Rolle Road, Exmouth. The school's founder, Rev. Alfred Wren, envisioned a nurturing environment that would prepare students for the challenges of future education and life. During these early years, the school was relatively small in size but quickly gained a reputation for its academic excellence and strong moral values.

#### Expansion and Growth (1940s-1970s):

The school continued to flourish in the post-World War II era, expanding its facilities and curriculum. The 1950s and 1960s saw a significant increase in student enrolment, prompting the construction of additional classrooms, dormitories, and recreational areas. This period also witnessed the inclusion of a broader range of subjects and extracurricular activities, reflecting the changing needs of students and society.

#### Modernisation and Coeducation (1980s-2000s):

As the school entered the latter part of the 20th century, it underwent a series of modernisation efforts. In the 1980s, St Peter's Preparatory School made a momentous decision to become a coeducational institution, welcoming female students for the first time. This change in policy reflected a growing awareness of the importance of providing equal educational opportunities to all students.

#### Academic Excellence and Community Involvement (2010s-present):

In recent years, St. Peter's Preparatory School has continued to uphold its commitment to academic excellence while also emphasising community involvement and social responsibility. The school has adopted modern teaching methods and technology, remaining progressive and continuing to adapt in order to prepare students for their future. Various community service initiatives, environmental awareness programs, and extracurricular activities have been introduced to instil a well-rounded education.

Charlotte Johnston, the school's first female Head, joined the school in September 2016. Previously Deputy Head at Edge Grove in Hertfordshire, a large co-ed 3-13 prep school, and with a background in management consultancy, Charlotte's experience was perfectly placed to lead St Peter's. Charlotte sits on the Board of IAPS and has previously held the role of IAPS Vice Chair. Charlotte is passionate about a prep school education, where children have the chance to shine in all areas (Sport, Music, Art, Drama and Academics), as well as making the most of the school's 28 acres.

Today, St Peter's Preparatory School stands as a symbol of tradition and modernity, offering a holistic education to a diverse pupil body. The school is known for its unique and publicly recognised St Peter's School Baccalaureate®, and a curriculum that promotes academic achievement, personal development and a focus on learning beyond the classroom. Most pupils remain to 13 and go on to independent day and boarding schools in the South-West. A small number of leavers at the end of Year 6 go on mainly to the grammar schools at Colyton and Torquay.

Throughout its history, St Peter's Preparatory School has remained committed to its core values of academic excellence and personal growth. It continues to adapt to the changing educational landscape and the evolving needs of students.

# **Safeguarding information**



St Peter's Preparatory School is committed to ensuring the best possible environment for the children and young people in its care. Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people is our highest priority.

The School aims to recruit staff that share and understand our commitment and to ensure that no job applicant is treated unfairly by reason of a protected characteristic as defined within the Equality Act 2010.

Candidates should be aware that all posts in the School involve some degree of responsibility for safeguarding children, although the extent of that responsibility will vary according to the nature of the post. As the job for which you are applying involves substantial opportunity for access to children, it is important that you provide us with accurate answers.

The School takes its responsibility to safeguard children very seriously and any staff member and/or successful candidate who is aware of anything that may affect his/her suitability to work with children must notify the Head immediately. This will include notification of any convictions, cautions, court orders, reprimands or warnings he/she may receive.

If you are currently working with children, on either a paid or voluntary basis, your current employer will be asked about disciplinary offences, including disciplinary offences relating to children or young persons (whether the disciplinary sanction is current or time expired), and whether you have been the subject of any child protection concerns or allegations and if so the outcome of any enquiry or disciplinary procedure. Any information about past disciplinary action or substantiated allegations will be considered in the circumstances of the individual case.

If you are not currently working with children but have done so in the past, that previous employer will be asked about those issues. Where neither your current nor previous employment has involved working with children, your current employer will still be asked about your suitability to

work with children. Where you have no previous employment history, we may request character references which may include references from your school or university.

You should be aware that provision of false information is an offence and could result in the application being rejected or summary dismissal if you have been appointed, and a possible referral to the police and/or DBS.



#### Information for shortlisted candidates



The School will carry out an online search on all shortlisted candidates as part of its due diligence. This may help to identify any incidents or issues that have happened, and are publicly available online, which the School may want to explore with an applicant at interview. This forms part of the School's wider safeguarding due diligence which aims to prevent and/or deter individuals who may be unsuitable to work with children from working in a school environment.

All candidates invited to interview must bring the following documents with them:

- 1. Valid passport
- 2. Photo driving licence (required, if you have one)
- 3. Birth certificate
- 4. Evidence of any name change since birth (e.g. marriage certificate, deed poll certificate)
- 5. A utility bill or financial statement issued within the last three months showing the candidate's current name and address;
- 6. Qualification certificates relevant to the role

Please note that originals of the above are necessary. Photocopies or printouts from the internet are not sufficient.

Candidates with a disability who are invited to interview should inform the School of any necessary reasonable adjustments or arrangements to assist them in attending the interview.

## **Contact information**

If you have any queries or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact Claire Harris, Office Manager, on 01395 272148 or email recruitment@stpetersprepschool.co.uk.



