

Hutchesons' Grammar School



Appointment of Teacher of Technology (1 Year Maternity Cover)

The Aims of the School

Hutchesons' Grammar School aims to provide boys and girls with a broad Scottish education, with the emphasis on academic excellence.

Founded in 1641, Hutchesons' is a famous school which has always been at the forefront of teaching and learning in Scotland. Nowadays, it is a large and dynamic school of great vitality and diversity, where over 1200 pupils from Pre-School right through to S6 follow a broad curriculum, blending the traditional and the modern. Experienced teachers are one of Hutchesons' greatest strengths, along with the resources they need to do their job to the highest possible standards.

Hutchesons' pupils excel in a wide variety of sports both nationally and internationally, and the quality of performance in music, drama and the arts is equally high. All pupils can follow a structured programme in and out of the classroom which broadens their outlook and helps them develop their interests and enthusiasms. There are many opportunities for involvement in clubs and societies, community work and charity fund-raising, visits and tours both within the UK and abroad, and for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

As individuals, Hutchesons' pupils are encouraged to develop confidence, self-discipline, integrity, courtesy and consideration for others. They are part of a large community of learners, where every individual is important. They learn to be thoughtful, articulate and well-read and to have a clear idea about how they want to live their lives beyond school and university.

Scots have always valued education very highly, and for nearly four centuries Hutchesons' has sent young men and women out into the world secure in the knowledge that they are part of that tradition.

Hutchesons' prides itself on being an equal opportunities employer and positively encourages applications from suitably qualified and eligible candidates regardless of sex, race, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief, marital status, or pregnancy and maternity. If you have what it takes, we really want to hear from you.

The Technology Department

The Technology Department consists of the Head of Department, two full time Teachers and a part-time Technician.

All pupils in S2 study Technology for one lesson per week, during which they explore aspects of the broader technology curriculum, making use of the department's extensive practical resources. For pupils continuing with the subject, the department offers courses in Engineering Science at National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher, and Graphic Communication at National 5 and Higher. Guided by a strong ethos of inclusion and equality, the department aims to be a place where all learners flourish, and can explore and develop their talents in technology, engineering, and design.

In addition to teaching the core technology curriculum, staff are encouraged to support extra-curricular activities to share their interests and talents with pupils in a setting less constrained by formal assessment programmes. Several extra-curricular clubs and activities run each year, guided by the pupils' interests and curiosity. Recent activities include Scalextrics for Schools, Design Engineering Club and Greenpower Challenge.

A maker space has been developed and is equipped with a laser cutter, 3D printers and other manufacturing resources. This provides a facility for pupils' project work across the curriculum. The department enjoys close links with the Art and Drama departments and have supported other departments in using 3D printing and laser cutting to enhance pupil experience. We are also a member school of the Arkwright Engineering Scholarship scheme and have enjoyed considerable success for over 20 years during which time more than 30 Hutchesons' pupils have been selected as scholars.

Person Profile

The successful candidate will hold a relevant Technology teaching qualification and will bring energy, expertise, and commitment to working as part of a small efficient team. Candidates should be confident in the delivery of Graphic Communication courses and should be willing to take a small number of Engineering Science classes. It is recognised, however, that some candidates may not have had the opportunity to teach Engineering Science therefore training and support will be provided for any candidate who is keen to develop their skills in this area.

To comply with regulations under The Education (Scotland) Act 2016, all teachers who commence employment at any Scottish Independent School on or after 1 October 2017 must be registered, or eligible to register, with the General Teaching Council of Scotland (GTCS); either Provisional, Provisional (Conditional) or Full. Further information can be obtained from the GTCS website.