

Application Pack

PT Physics Teacher

Key Stage 4

Europa School UK





EUROPA SCHOOL UK

A unique educational opportunity

"Knowledge of languages is the doorway to wisdom." Roger Bacon

The Europa School UK is truly unique.

Nestled in rural Oxfordshire, Europa School UK offers an unparalleled education where students are taught bilingually throughout their entire school career. From the age of four, our pupils begin their scholastic journey in English + French, German or Spanish and continue with their stream language until they graduate at 18, equipped with the highly acclaimed International Baccalaureate, giving breadth of study and fluency in at least two languages.

At Europa School UK we believe in the power of our children to shape the future and it is our goal to foster curiosity, promote creativity and build confidence from an early age. At the heart of our thriving, diverse community is a passionate belief in the benefits of a multilingual, multicultural education to form responsible, engaged citizens of the world.

Une opportunit  educative unique • Una experiencia educative  nica •

Ein einzigartiges lehrreiches Erlebnis



VISION FOR THE FUTURE

The driving vision for Europa School UK is that every pupil should develop a deep understanding and enjoyment of learning within a safe and vibrant environment. We know that happy and engaged students learn well and thrive both socially and academically. Our broad curriculum shapes and informs pupils, promoting intellectual curiosity and cultivating social responsibility.

Europa School UK is a centre for excellence in both languages and science. We are

proud to champion a science focus within our curriculum and continue to forge links with local businesses and social communities through events such as the annual Science Week. Our aim is to empower each student with the communication, collaboration and critical thinking skills that will enable them to succeed in a modern world.



HOW DOES IT WORK?

Europa School UK is an International Baccalaureate World school and offers the the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme.

IB World Schools share a common philosophy—a commitment to improve the teaching and learning of a diverse and inclusive community of students by delivering challenging, high quality programmes of international education that share a powerful vision.

We are subject to Ofsted inspections, and are thrilled to report a 'Good' rating from an inspection in December 2018.

A Free School is an all ability state-funded school, established in response to a local community need. Unequivocal support and demand for Europa UK came from many areas: the potential parental body, teachers, local MPs, businesses and local organisations.

We are proud of this unique educational outlook and are reminded of its successes as we welcome our happy, engaged students to the school each day.

LEARNING AND CURRICULUM

Primary comprises three streams: English/French, English/German and English/Spanish.

A case study: Olivia (German and English)

Olivia is in 2DE – Year 2 of the German stream. She's friends with Sara, who's in French and Lucas who's in the Spanish stream. Since starting in Reception, Olivia has studied all subjects in both English and German, swapping languages half way through the week at Wednesday lunchtime.

Olivia and her friends will continue with their stream languages for their whole school education. From Year 7, they'll learn a third language.

The curriculum, with its focus on language learning and learning through the language, is enriching and challenging: up to Year 11 compulsory subjects comprise English, the stream

language, Mathematics, all three sciences, a third language, plus History and Geography taught in the stream language. There are also option subjects including Art, Music, Computer Science, Latin and Economics.

In final preparation for the Baccalaureate, Years 12 and 13 study a broad range of subjects, including; English, stream language, Mathematics, History, Geography and one compulsory science. Option subjects are offered at higher level equivalent to A level.

The Baccalaureate qualification is still a rare educational opportunity in UK state schools: our students receive a unique secondary education and an incredibly diverse and comprehensive preparation for whatever future steps they wish to take.

"A clear and compelling vision for multilingual education." Ofsted December 2018



TEACHERS WHO LOVE TO TEACH

At the heart of Europa School UK are our staff. They are a highly-valued and highly-experienced team, who take very seriously the role they play in shaping our children's futures.

Our unique curriculum demands a unique kind of teacher and we are lucky enough to be able to recruit from across Europe. We seek staff who can instill in our students the school ethos of purposeful learning, pastoral care and multicultural engagement which develops tolerant, ethical and linguistically confident young people.

Morale is high amongst staff at Europa School UK: we have an excellent retention record and highly prize the integrity and respect felt amongst colleagues. All staff work together closely,



HOW DOES IT WORK?



"I share MP John Howell's admiration for the Europa School and its very high academic standards."

Nick Gibb, Minister for School

Recent research makes bold claims as to the benefits of being bilingual, ranging from increased mental flexibility and problem-solving abilities to improved health and economic advantages.

There are some claims we can't prove, but some we can:

- A superb reputation since opening in 2012 and a waiting list for each Reception class.
- Consistently high grades in the European Baccalaureate examinations - best ever in 2018. *"Students in the sixth form achieve excellent outcomes as a result of the highly effective teaching that they receive".* (Ofsted December 2018)
- Overall, in KS2 SATS July 2018, attainment and progress of our Year 6 cohort out-performed both county and national averages.
- Ofsted rating of 'Good' (December 2018).
- European Inspectors are *"very much impressed by the commitment and enthusiasm stakeholders to implement European schooling at Europa School UK"* (September 2018).



Photos by Bella Collacott

WHY CULHAM?

Culham is small village set in a bend in the river Thames in rural Oxfordshire, 2.5 miles from Abingdon and 9 miles from central Oxford. Abingdon is a pretty market town on the banks of the river with a strong claim to be one of England's oldest towns and is surrounded by beautiful villages.

Didcot, 5 miles from Europa, is growing town with excellent train links to London.

The area offers a thriving cultural scene, sports clubs and facilities.

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Employee benefits

We offer support and training. We identify staff strengths and skills and give them the opportunities to use them. It is a place where your culture is embraced and celebrated.

We have beautiful listed buildings in a stunning situation in the countryside and we offer on-site parking.

Many staff have their children here and benefit from low cost after-school childcare and holiday clubs. The on site pre-school, Kiddylinguistics, is also very practical for parents of young children.

We are flexible as well, with 80% of our staff working part-time, we try and mostly succeed to fit the timetable around your needs, especially with lots of notice. If you would like to discuss a part-time role or a job share please contact the HR Manager Anna Cole-Morgan.

All our teachers are enrolled in the Teachers' Pension Scheme



Job Description

Physics teacher

Post Details

Salary: MPS - UPR (£25,714 - £41,604)

Location: Culham, Oxfordshire

Contract type: 0.27 of Full-time, permanent *

Start Date: 1st September 2021

Reporting to: Deputy Heads of Secondary

**Part Time Roles can be combined to create larger timetables. Please apply for each role and indicate which roles could be combined in your application.*

Europa School UK

The Europa School specialises in Languages and Sciences and offers multilingual, multicultural education, leading ultimately to the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. We are currently transitioning from European Schools Curriculum to the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme and during this phase our students will sit GCSEs in English language and Maths. It is an all-through free school of pupils aged 4 to 19.

Job Description

Main responsibilities

This role is for S4 to S5 (Yr 10 to Yr11). Our students are not expected to sit any external exams in Physics in this period, the curriculum will prepare them for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme commencing in Year 12. Ensuring that key knowledge and skills are taught well and to facilitate learning among a diverse group of children

- Preparing pupils to have sufficient knowledge to start the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme in S6.
- Helping the Principal to establish a positive identity and inclusive ethos for the school
- Implementing policies and procedures to ensure good practice
- Maintaining discipline within the school

- Involving parents and carers in the life of the school
- Promoting the school's specialisms in sciences and languages
- Supporting and participating in a broad and balanced European curriculum

Key responsibilities:

- Work with the Deputy Head of Secondary to ensure that every member of staff has the very highest expectations of all pupils, no matter what their background
- Work with the Head of Secondary to ensure compliance with good practice and all legal requirements, particularly child protection, in all aspects of the employment of staff
- Provide regular feedback to the Head of Secondary about the progress of secondary pupils and whole-school issues and achievements
- Support the Head of Secondary to liaise effectively with the wider community.

Learning and teaching:

- Help to inspire children to achieve their very best.
- Help develop the curriculum within the school.
- Ensure all pupils are able to succeed by using a differentiated approach and providing and facilitating suitable support.
- Assess and track each child's progress, in order to give feedback to management, colleagues, parents and pupils so that future learning can be planned carefully.

Person Specification

Qualification and training:

- Teaching qualification.
- A University degree in, or closely related to, the subject specialism is required.

Experience:

- Newly qualified teachers are welcome to apply.

Expertise:

- Excellent motivational and communication skills.
- Knowledge of good pedagogical practice, both nationally and internationally and an awareness of the development of pedagogical thinking in the subject specialism and more generally.
- Commitment to ongoing professional development.
- Knowledge of varied approaches to learning and teaching.
- Ability to develop critical thinking skills in pupils.
- ICT skills to manage the requirements of the post with confidence.
- Strong written and oral communication skills.

Personal attributes:

- Positive approach to professional collaboration; sharing and learning from a variety of pedagogical backgrounds
- Enthusiasm and sensitivity while working with others.
- Caring attitude towards staff, children and parents/carers.
- Resilience and tenacity.
- Creativity, flexibility and inventiveness.
- Humour, warmth and energy.

For more information

If you would like further information, please contact: Anna Cole-Morgan (HR Manager) who will be happy to answer any questions about the school and the post.

We would also encourage you to visit the school, contact us to arrange a visit.

Email: applications@europaschool.uk

Please complete the application form, we do not accept CVs.

Deadline: see website

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IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION FOR ALL POSTS

Europa School UK is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All staff must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and an Enhanced DBS (Disclosure and Barring) check.

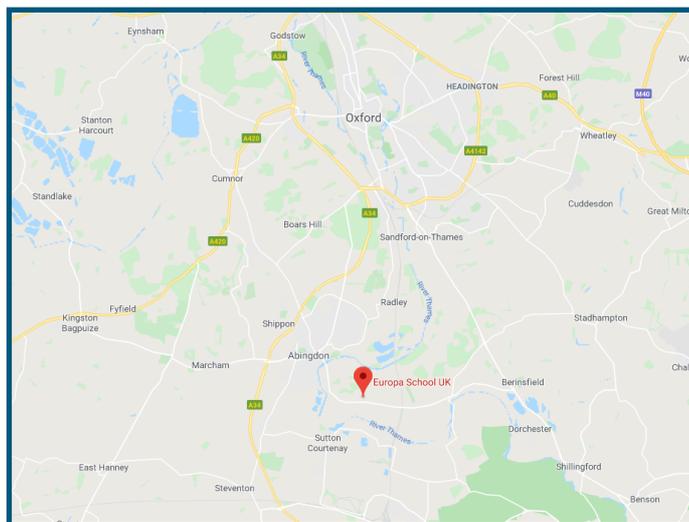
We reserve the right to research applicants on social media platforms and the internet, and the Governing Board may take this information into consideration during the recruitment process.



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