



KING WILLIAM'S COLLEGE

Job Description

Title:	Private Speech & Drama (with LAMDA) Teacher
Reports to:	Head of Arts Faculty
Job location:	King William's College & The Buchan School
Details:	This is a self-employed position



King William's College and The Buchan School are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service. The post holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom he/she is responsible, or with whom he/she comes into contact will be to adhere to and ensure compliance with the school's Child Protection Policy Statement at all times. If in the course of carrying out the duties of the post, the post-holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the school, he/she must report any concerns to the Designated Safeguarding Lead or Principal.



The School

King William's College was opened in 1833 through public subscription and the support of Bishop Barrow's Charity, which itself had been founded in 1668. The School enjoys a magnificent setting facing Castletown Bay in the south of the Isle of Man. For most of its history, the school operated primarily as a boys' boarding school supplemented by day boys. Girls were first admitted to the Sixth Form in the late seventies and the school became fully co-educational in 1987. In 1991, College merged with the Buchan School, (situated in Castletown and founded in 1875), to provide education for young ladies, also under the auspices of Bishop Barrow's Charity.

The two sites now constitute one school administered by a single Board of Governors and with the same overall vision and ethos. The sites are less than 2 miles apart and the Buchan provides Nursery and Junior School curricula for children from 3 years to 11 years of age. The Senior School provides a non-selective education up to GCSE/IGCSE and all Sixth Form students take the International Baccalaureate Diploma. There are currently 180 children at the Buchan School (excluding the Nursery) and 370 at the senior school of whom 110 are in the Sixth Form. There are 2 boarding houses at College with a total of around 100 boarders, many of whom are from overseas. Although there is now a large number of day pupils, the School retains much of the structure and ethos of a boarding school. College is a Church of England Foundation although the pupil body includes those of many faiths.

The Senior School is now run on year-group lines for academic purposes while the House system has been retained for social interaction including House Music, Drama and other cultural activities. The College is widely recognised as a leading IB Diploma school and was the first UK school to abandon the A Level system and adopt the IB in the same year. The College has been named 'Sunday Times International Baccalaureate School of the Year', a testimony to its commitment to the highest educational standards.

The College site is dominated by the main school building with its quadrangle and clock tower. There is a range of specialist buildings of varying ages. The Buchan site is constructed around an early Victorian country house, in a pleasant parkland setting on the edge of Castletown.

The Appointment

As a Private Speech and Drama Teacher, you'll deliver first class tuition in spoken and dramatic studies to pupils across all ages and levels of ability.

Key Duties and Responsibilities

This is not an exhaustive list and the post holder will be expected to show flexibility and assist with other tasks of a similar nature. The post holder will be based at King William's College.

Summary of Duties

The Private Speech and Drama teacher will provide tuition to pupils of all ages at The Buchan school and King William's College. You'll work with all levels of ability from beginner to advanced students, developing their technical ability whilst supporting their wider development in the discipline.

You will assist pupils in preparing for exams with registered bodies such as LAMDA.

You will also prepare and enter students for the Manx Music and Drama Festival (The Guild).

Responsibilities

- Communicate with students and parents to promote private speech and drama and LAMDA at KWC, ensuring high participation from students.
- Be responsible for arranging and managing your own timetable of lessons and registers in accordance with guidelines set by the department.
- Create a supportive and motivating learning environment that fosters creativity and self-expression:
 - Provide one-on-one or group instruction in acting, public speaking, or communication skills according to the LAMDA syllabus.
 - Develop personalised lesson plans tailored to each student's needs and goals.
 - Teach various performance techniques, including voice projection, diction, and character development.
 - Offer constructive feedback and guidance to help students improve their skills and confidence.
 - Monitor student progress and adjusting teaching methods accordingly.
- Prepare students for LAMDA examinations, auditions, or performances.
- Put on a LAMDA evening to showcase students and give them an opportunity for performance in front of an audience.
- Keep up-to-date with LAMDA curriculum changes and industry trends.
- Prepare and enter individual pupils and groups for the Manx Music and Drama Festival (The Guild).
- Maintain communication with parents or guardians regarding student development and goals.
- Help prepare pupils for individual roles in extra-curricular productions.
- Communicate directly with parents regarding examination schedules, lesson hours, and billing.
- Generate annual reports in line with the school's reporting schedule.
- Liaise with the Head of Faculty and Head of Department on pupil development
- Develop lesson plans and maintain accurate records of student progress and accomplishments.
- Stay up to date with teaching methodologies and repertoire, offering guidance to students and the school on appropriate materials.
- Ensure compliance with health and safety protocols, particularly in technical theatre aspects.

Desired Person Specification:

- Experience with LAMDA qualifications.
- Broad theatrical knowledge spanning classical to contemporary.
- Teaching experience in acting and verse and prose.
- Strong administrative and organizational skills.
- Flexibility and creativity in supporting students as they develop new skills and techniques.
- Excellent communication skills for effective interaction with faculty, students, and parents.

Benefits

The successful candidate will be eligible for the following benefits:

- Lunch each day when the kitchen is operational;
- Free parking for all employees;

Remuneration

This is a self-employed role. You will keep a register of pupils taught and invoice the school termly for the lessons provided. You will be expected to hold your own Public Liability Insurance and will engage in a Service Level Agreement with King William's College for your services.

Applications

A completed application form together with a covering letter should be submitted by email to: hr@kwc.im by **8am on Monday 3rd June 2024**. Interviews will take place in school or remotely. However, applications will be reviewed as they are received and we reserve the right to interview and appoint before the deadline.

