



## **The Crypt School English Department**

Thank you for taking your time and showing an interest in working at The Crypt School.

The Crypt School English Department is an academically exciting place to work, offering A-levels in English Language and English Literature. We have a shared vision of both inspiring and enabling our students to become outstanding communicators in all respects.

Our GCSE classes are taught in five mixed ability sets from a five-form intake, so average class size is 26 students. All students take both AQA GCSE English Literature and WJEC/Eduqas English Language. The Key Stage 3 classes follow a well-planned and resourced curriculum that introduces GCSE and A level skills from the outset of Y7 and progressively revisits them. KS3 and 4 is supported by one-to-one intervention. All departmental resources and assessment have been adapted to align with the newly reformed KS3, 4 and 5 specifications.

Creativity and risk taking are encouraged and we like to show students that we can do as well as teach, to provide models for a critically and creatively engaged life beyond school. As a team, we enjoy robust discussion about our teaching strategies, as well as about texts and interpretations. We are a very 'forward-looking' team who realise the need to reflect, while also keeping a clear vision in mind for what we want our students to achieve. A future member of our team is someone who thrives on real teaching and who has a good sense of humour.

We look forward to welcoming you to The Crypt should you decide to apply for this position. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information about the position or to arrange an informal visit prior to interview.

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