

Graduate Sports Assistant (Rugby / Boarding)

To commence 01 September 2023; fixed term contract to 31 August 2024

Background Information

Ratcliffe College was founded in 1847 by the Institute of Charity, known as the Rosminians. Antonio Rosmini, the founder of the Order, was renowned as an educational innovator and that spirit has propelled the College forward ever since.

The original College buildings were designed by Augustus Welby Pugin, one of the leading exponents of Victorian Gothic architecture, who co-operated with Sir Charles Barry on the design of the Houses of Parliament. Surrounding the College, 200 acres of rolling parkland provide beautiful views from bedrooms and classrooms.

Children are able to board at the College from age 11. The boarding community is made up of around 100 boarders. Private boarding staff accommodation, as well as the student accommodation, is located within the main building of the School.

The College has an excellent tradition of Sport, with a full fixture list in a wide variety of sports including rugby, hockey, netball, athletics, tennis, cricket, rounders and swimming as well as an extensive programme of other co-curricular activities. The College has spacious grounds and excellent indoor and outdoor facilities, set within a beautiful estate. Two floodlit artificial hockey pitches and a newly constructed tartan athletics track. There are also five rugby pitches, six netball courts and eight tennis courts plus four cricket squares. The Sports Centre complex comprises a multi-purpose sports hall, state of the art fitness suite (opened in February 2019), squash court, an indoor 25m swimming pool and a second sports hall which opened in January 2020.

The Role of the Graduate Sports Assistant is split into two main areas:

Sports department:

Under the leadership of the Director of Sport, you will:

- Take responsibility for school teams, boys in Rugby, Hockey and Cricket, and girls in Hockey, Netball and Cricket. This will include team practice sessions, team selection and attendance at all fixtures.
- Make a full contribution throughout the week to the co-curricular life of the school;
- Give general assistance in Physical Education and Games lessons across the age range of the College, including the Nursery and Preparatory School.

Boarding community:

Working under the direction of the Senior Housemistress and Senior Housemaster, as part of the Boarding duty team, you will assist with activities, trips and supervision for:

- two evenings and overnight duties per week (6.10pm – 8.30am) during term time
- a maximum of one weekend in two during term times

On occasions you are required to sleep overnight in a duty room.

General:

- You will be required to provide supervisory cover in the mornings, on a rota basis and school duties as allocated by the Deputy Head Pastoral.
- You will carry out any other tasks that might reasonably be required by the school to promote the educational experience of the students, including residential trips to support other departments
- You will work according to the Rules, Policies and Procedures of Ratcliffe College
- You will work according to Health and Safety Regulations being aware of your own safety as well as the safety of others

Additional Information:

This post would be ideal for a graduate or University student who is looking for a placement year and considering an eventual career in Education or Sports Coaching. You will gain extensive experience through being an integral part of both the Physical Education Department and the Boarding Staff team.

Accommodation:

Accommodation will be provided from the start of term (24 August 2023) in the main school building, free of rent, council tax and utility charges.

Meals:

All meals will be available free of charge in the College refectory during term time (breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, supper) – there is a wide choice at all meals.

Salary:

A salary of £13,250 will be paid in 12 equal monthly instalments (September 2023 to August 2024 inclusive).

In addition, there is the opportunity to work within the Ratcliffe College Summer School which is paid at a rate of c.£500 per week.

For further information about Ratcliffe College, please visit our website www.ratcliffecollege.com

The closing date for receipt of applications is 9.00am on Friday 24 February, 2023 although we reserve the right to close the advert earlier if suitable applications are received .

Application is via the College website: www.ratcliffecollege/about/vacancies

Should you have any queries, please email Amanda Turns, Director of Sport direct: email: ATurns@ratcliffecollege.com

We are committed to safer recruitment, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to undergo an Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) and an open-source check will also be undertaken.