

Sports Graduate – Netball

Fixed term from January to 31st August 2025

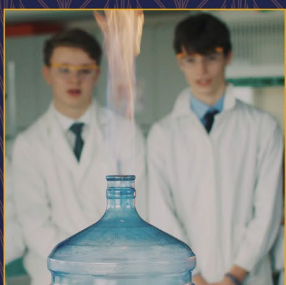
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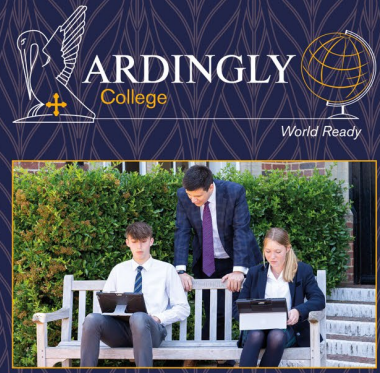
Ardingly College is seeking to appoint a Sports Graduate to work across our main sports of Football, Netball and Hockey, with a particular emphasis on Netball. This role will support the Sports department from January 2025 for a fixed term period until August 2025 and involve coaching sport and promoting the general progress and well-being of individual pupils.

The successful candidate should have a high level of experience in playing and coaching Netball and any of the College's key sports: Netball, Hockey, Cricket, Football and Swimming. They will be required to take part in the sports programme throughout the week in both Senior and Prep Schools, supporting the Heads of Sport with organising and preparing for fixtures on Fridays, alongside attending Saturday fixtures.

Duties & Responsibilities

1. Provide assistance in the areas of sport that are offered to both boys and girls. This includes:
 - Coaching a team during Senior Games
 - Assisting the Prep School with coaching on their Games afternoons – Mon/Wed/Fri
 - Supporting the teaching of Core PE
 - Supporting and leading aspects of GCSE PE practical lessons where appropriate
 - Offer EP/After School Sports Clubs (Prep/Senior) in liaison with the Head of Prep and Lower School Sports and Director of Sport (timetable permitting)
2. Provide the Sports Department with basic administrative support including SOCS /Website updates.
3. Assist with various other large Sporting events happening throughout the year for example (but not limited to):





- Football Tournaments
- Prep School Masterclass Days
- Sports Scholarship Days 11+, 13+, 16+
- Sports Days
- House Sports Competitions
- Run after School Clubs (Hours permitting)

4. To assist with school fixtures umpiring and refereeing (if qualified).

5. To maintain the Store Sheds and cupboards keeping them tidy and monitoring equipment.

6. Helping to disseminate information regarding Sport and Games to Houses particularly on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

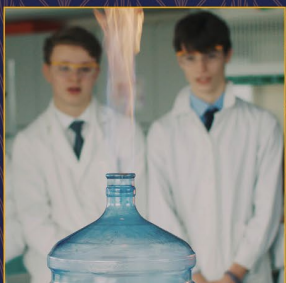
7. Go about every job with energy and enthusiasm and get involved in as much as you can in the school life at Ardingly College.

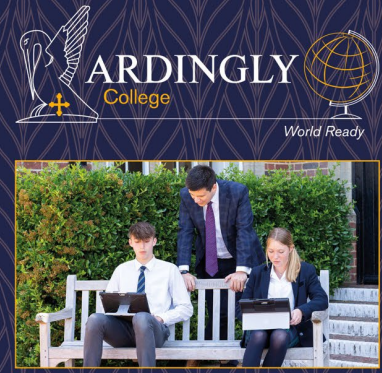
8. To monitor and track the House Sports Competitions keeping a record of results and trophy allocation in readiness for HM assemblies and termly reports.

The College

Ardingly College is a thriving independent co-educational school offering an outstanding all-through education to over a thousand children in a beautiful part of West Sussex, with excellent transport links locally and across the South-East.

The Prep School has over 220 pupils from Reception to Year 6, as well as a Nursery. Reception and KS1 are based in the Farmhouse, and Years 3-6 in the main school building, School House. The Prep School lives and breathes the values of *Shaping My World*, through which primary aged children learn to explore the world around them in ways that are adventurous, curious, generous, and ingenious.





The Senior School has over 800 students from 11-18, 300 of whom are boarders. The curriculum is designed to be broad and stimulating, with over 25 subjects offered and a choice of A Level, IB Diploma or BTEC courses in the Sixth Form. The values of the school are centred on kindness, respect, and positive engagement, with students encouraged to balance their own interests with those of the communities in which they study and live.

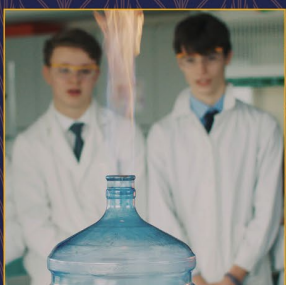
The wellbeing and welfare of our students is paramount, with a strong emphasis on pastoral support provided through house staff, the Health & Wellbeing Centre and additional pastoral support such as the Chaplain, DSL, and Mental Health Lead. The curriculum is broad and balanced, enabling all students to participate in sports, creative and performing arts and a wide-ranging Enrichment Programme. Through their learning and experiences both inside and beyond the classroom, students are able to complete each stage of their education successfully and become ready for the next stage of their lives beyond school.

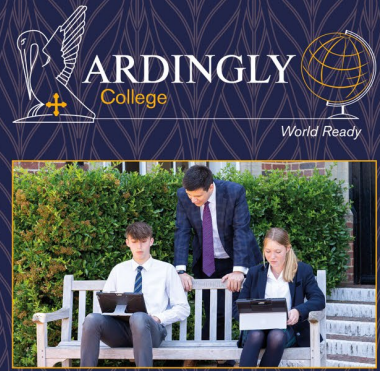
Academic results are high and have been on an upward trajectory since 2015. Results in 2022 (the first year of exams since the pandemic) were at record levels, with an IB Diploma average of 40 points and 98% of A Level candidates gaining grades between A*-C. At GCSE, over 90% achieved between grades 9-6, among whom 34 scored all 9s and 8s.

In the most recent ISI inspection of educational quality in 2018 the College was judged excellent for both pupil achievement and personal development and in 2021 the College passed all elements of the Regulatory Compliance Inspection.

The College offers an outstanding range of co-curricular activities and has a proud tradition of participation and achievement. In sports, pupils compete successfully at local, regional, and national levels in the main sports of football, hockey, swimming, netball, cricket, and athletics. Music, Art, and Drama are particularly strong, with exciting events such as concerts at school and in professional music venues, devised and scripted drama performances and exhibitions both by talented art scholars and give-it-a-go artists among the pupil and staff population.

Partnership is integral to the College ethos. Within school this applies to the partnership between teachers and operations staff to maintain excellent standards and quality of provision across the campus. Beyond the school gates, we work with a range of primary and prep schools as well as supporting the local community through voluntary action and



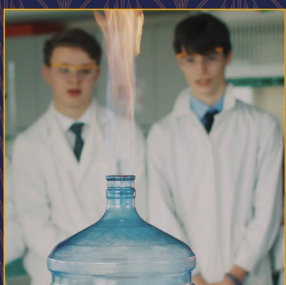


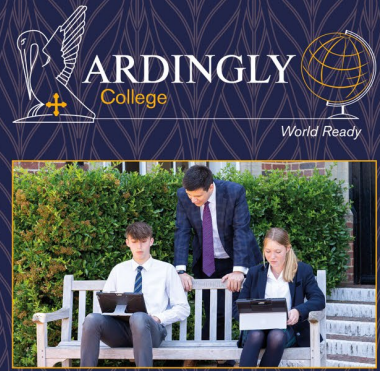
working with schools abroad in Africa and Asia. The College operates a bursary programme which currently supports over 30 pupils with substantial or full fee remission.

Campus facilities are excellent, with considerable recent investment in the College campus bringing it up to the highest school standards. Recent additions include a new STEM faculty and upgrades to classrooms, as well as major refurbishments of boarding and day houses. A new café and dance studio were opened in 2021 and new Lower School and a third day boys house in 2022.

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Experience and Knowledge	Be proficient in Netball	Experience in playing and coaching Netball, Hockey, Football, Cricket or Swimming
Qualifications	Hold a first degree in sports science or a related subject. Literate and Numerate.	Hold coaching qualifications in any of the sports offered at Ardingly. Qualifications in Netball, Hockey, Football,
Skills	Be able to use their initiative and take responsibility. Be able to use basic computer software packages. Be a good communicator/listener and be able to build relationships with students, teachers and support staff.	





Personal and Professional

Behave and act as a member of staff when working with children and maintain an appropriate distance.

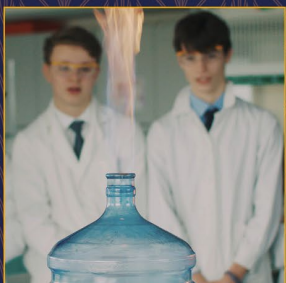
Enjoy working with young people.

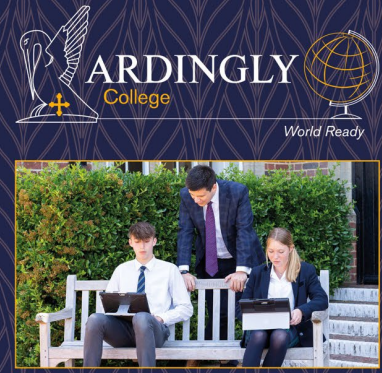
Be aware of the ages of the children that they will be working with and understand their needs.

Be flexible and adaptable.

Have a sense of humour.

Set a good example to the children at all times, both in appearance and in conduct.





Terms and Conditions

Contract: This role is offered on a fixed term contract from January 2025 until 31st August 2025.

Hours of Work: 40 hours per week, for 35 weeks per year (during term-time only, plus one additional week to assist with pre-season training). The actual times of work are subject to flexibility and will be agreed directly with the Director of Sport.

Rate of Pay: £19,248 per annum inclusive of paid holiday

Application Procedure

Applications should be made via our on-line recruitment system at www.ardingly.com/vacancies and should include a covering letter, or personal statement outlining the applicant's suitability for the role and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees, one of whom must be the applicant's current Head (if appropriate) or current line manager.

Ardingly College is committed to ensuring the welfare of our pupils and appropriate checks will be made before the appointment is finalised.

The closing date for applications is 5pm on Friday 28th November 2024 although applications may be considered upon receipt.

