

December 2018

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NQT Teacher (joined 2018 – Mature entry into teaching)

"I feel very lucky. I have worked in large corporations around the world to board level, but now at last I feel I have found a workplace that feels like a family. SGS is admittedly an unusual school; Multi-site, a large sixth form, a boarding house, and a provenance that puts many independent schools to shame. But these facets make SGS a wonderful place to develop a career, as its structure allows many opportunities for career progression internally, and I have no plans to move elsewhere.

Most importantly, it is well managed by a leadership team who care about staff and pupil welfare and happiness, and have formed a culture of openness and complete tolerance unlike any I have found in a school"

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NQT Teacher and Boarding Tutor (joined 2018)

"Since joining SGS as both an NQT and a Resident Boarding Tutor, I have felt not just supported but sincerely and comprehensively welcomed. SGS's position as a state boarding school contributes to a uniquely diverse and enriching atmosphere, with students from just down the Steyning High Street crossing paths with boarders from countries such as Antigua, Greece and Hong Kong. The positive attitude among students reflects a collegial and caring staff that makes it an enjoyable place to be: both in and outside the classroom."

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New HOF – September 2018

Since starting as a new HOF this Summer, life has been intense but exciting. I feel both supported, and yet have a huge amount of autonomy to make decisions about the direction I want to take my faculty. The support network is fantastic, meeting and liaising with other HOFs and my direct SLT link. I am able to regularly liaise with my SLT link, who will happily offer support, ideas and often a different perspective.

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New Learning Leader – September 2018

"Steyning Grammar School offers a fantastic NQT programme which supports your pedagogical strengths and weaknesses. A mentor is assigned to assist your professional development and guide you through the school's procedures and policies. Working alongside outstanding teachers, the school promotes a culture of sharing perfect practice and resources. Since joining the school, I have been offered two promotional positions, within both, I have been offered relevant training and support. I have had the opportunity to attend many courses relevant to my career progression, the school has invested in my aspirations, most notably in nominating me to apply for the SSAT Leadership Legacy programme."