

ASTRA School-Centred Teacher Training **10** **YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

Teacher Training with Astra SCITT

Whether you or someone you know is a recent graduate or potential career switcher, teaching offers a rewarding, challenging and varied career. The Cottesloe School works in partnership with [Astra School Centred Initial Teacher Training](#) to provide training for new primary and secondary teachers.

At secondary level, Astra provides training in Science (with a specialism in Physics, Chemistry or Biology), Maths, English, Modern Foreign Languages (with a specialism in French, German and/or Spanish), History, Geography, RS, Computer Science, Design Technology, Music, Art, Dance and Drama. Applicants must be graduates and in possession of GCSE Maths and English or equivalent. The degree - or at the very least A levels - should be in the intended subject or a closely related area of study. Subject Knowledge Enhancement courses, often funded and lasting between eight and forty eight weeks, are also available to those who graduated more than five years ago.

Funding for teacher training is available via several routes. As a postgraduate course, subject to various residency requirements, applicants are eligible to apply to the Student Loans Company for support both with course fees and living expenses. At primary level, a number of salaried positions are available to those with significant classroom experience, perhaps as a teaching assistant or similar. At secondary level, many subjects attract significant bursaries of up to £30,000.

Astra works in partnership with over sixty local schools and all courses lead to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and most applicants also study for the Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE). Do contact Astra (hello@astra-alliance.com) if you would like to know more.