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Hockey Performance Coach



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Denstone College, Denstone, Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, ST14 5HN

# Our School

Denstone College is an independent boarding and day school for pupils aged 4-18 set in rural Staffordshire. The school has over 750 pupils with 100 being part of our on site Prep School.

In 2023 the College celebrated 150 years. The high standard of wellbeing and academic provision is remarkable, and this has been confirmed by the latest Ofsted, ISI inspections and hieda (Health in Education Association). A Level results are usually in line with those of the very best all-round schools nationally.

Denstone offers boarding from aged 7 through to 18 with a range of boarding options available, from full time to flexible boarding in our boarding facilities around campus.

With dedicated, talented and inspiring staff, fantastic facilities and as impressive a rural setting as you could find, we balance the pursuit of academic excellence with a broad co-curricular programme. Denstone College offers students more than 40 sports and activities.

The College offers opportunities for a range of co-curricular activities including outdoor pursuits, music and drama.

## Meet The Head

### Lotte Tulloch

To define a Denstone education is to look beyond the here and now, to gaze in to the future and imagine what our children will become.

Parents invest emotionally in the College, safe in the knowledge that their children will be taught well, coached wisely and raised to be upstanding citizens of the future. They will be confident and happy and both interesting and interested.

Our commitment to the individual needs of each child surpasses the expected and as a result, our diverse community conforms to no stereotypes.

As Head, I believe passionately in the celebration of success and allowing that positive culture to bleed through all elements of school life. Children need positivity, excellent role-models and a platform from which to shine; to be their own beacon of excellence.

No website, prospectus, virtual tour or social media platform can do this College justice – a place which thrives on human interaction and relationships. Please do take the time to come and see us in action – the door is always open.

Lotte Tulloch  
Head



## Our Vision

Our Vision is simple, as a provider of independent education, we aspire to encourage our pupils to jump up and down, making a difference in areas they have a passion in.

## Woodard Schools

The Woodard Corporation is a significant charity founded on the vision of Canon Nathaniel Woodard, providing high quality education in an actively Christian school environment for all. Today, Woodard educates over 30,000 pupils across academy, independent and state maintained schools. Our aim is to be the educational provider of choice and a valued voice in UK education.

## Mission Statement

To provide inspiration, discovery, and understanding to our pupils by delivering excellence in the classroom and beyond.

Create opportunities by providing the highest possible standards of educational achievement in an environment where pupils are encouraged to realise their true potential.

To support the stresses each one of our community faces, offering an education which is balanced with academic excellence and co-curricular exploration.

Remain true to the Woodard corporations founding values, widening access to a sound Christian education.

## Unlock Denstonacity

At Denstone College, we have a word to describe our pupils, parents and staff, it is Denstonacity, this is a noun which describes us as having 'the ambition to explore every possible version of ourselves.'

As a College and Prep, we want to empower our community into being able to make a difference in the world, creating role models all around our campus.

# The Campus



*Denstone College sits within 150 acres of rural Staffordshire, with a large variety in activities and provisions to provide a fantastic well rounded education for all.*

*Across the site we have a range of dedicated teaching spaces and a fantastic library, offering engaging and exciting space to learn. At the heart of the school is St Chad's Chapel, a facility all pupils experience as part of their day to day life. We also have a theatre, and recently renovated Dining Room experience.*

*We have multi-use facilities across the campus through our Sports Hall and Astro-turfs, these have provided opportunities to compete and enjoy hockey, netball, badminton, tennis, basketball, football, martial arts and even our own climbing wall.*

*With sports in mind, we have a range of pitches suitable for cricket, rugby, lacrosse, football and a dedicated running track. The school also has its own Athletic Development Centre, supporting not just our high performance athletes but also every other pupil. Two facilities which help Denstone stand out are our on-site swimming pool as well as our 9 hole golf course situated at the back of the school.*

# Role Information

Denstone College has a history of success at local, regional and national level across a range of sports and we are seeking an inspirational, energetic and highly skilled Performance Hockey Coach to help lead and develop hockey across the school.

The successful candidate will coach pupils from ages 4 to 18, delivering sessions that both nurture beginners and challenge our top-performing athletes to reach county and regional levels.

This role requires a coach with technical expertise, excellent communication skills, and a passion for working with young people in a residential school community.

Successful candidates should be confident, reliable, hard-working and have good interpersonal skills as well as showing a willingness to be involved in all areas of school life.

Coaches who live on site will also be expected to contribute to the life of a busy boarding school.

Join us and you will find a friendly, motivated, hard-working team, an opportunity to develop your skills, plus the chance to have an active role in the life of this outstanding school.

In Addition, we can offer you:

- To be part of our Denstone College team, combining its rich tradition and history with a forward thinking approach to educational excellence
- Working in beautiful surroundings with a friendly and supportive environment
- A commitment to professional development and career progression
- Free meal
- Access to on site facilities such as gym, swim and exercise classes, with free parking

Denstone College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all our staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS and pre-employment checks.

Please note, we reserve the right to close the vacancy prior to the closing date so early applications are recommended.

## The Living Wage Foundation



The real Living Wage is higher than the government's minimum, or National Living Wage, and is an independently calculated hourly rate of pay that is based on the actual cost of living.

Over 15,000 organisations, including Denstone College, voluntarily choose to pay the real Living Wage because we believe that a hard day's work deserves a fair day's pay. You can find out more about the Living Wage by visiting [www.livingwage.org.uk](http://www.livingwage.org.uk)

## **Hockey Performance Coach**

### **Reports to**

Director of Hockey

### **Job Purpose:**

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### **Key Responsibilities:**

#### *Coaching & Player Development*

- Deliver engaging, age-appropriate coaching sessions for pupils aged 4–18.
- Provide advanced technical, tactical and physical development for players on Performance Pathways.
- Analyse performance and give effective, constructive feedback to individuals and squads.
- Foster a love of hockey among all pupils, regardless of experience or ability.

#### *Programme Leadership*

- Support the strategic development of hockey across the Prep and Senior School.
- Take a lead in school fixtures, hosting tournaments, festivals and holiday camps.
- Liaise with national governing bodies, local clubs and representative programmes to support player progression.

#### *Pastoral & Boarding School Contribution*

- Uphold the school's values and ensure pupils' welfare is prioritised at all times.
- Build positive relationships with pupils, parents and staff.
- Participate in whole-school duties, events and commitments typical of an independent boarding environment.
- Act as a positive role model, promoting resilience, sportsmanship and personal excellence.

#### *Administration & Operations (Alongside the Director of Hockey)*

- Manage training schedules, team selections and match preparations.
- Maintain equipment and ensure safe, well-organised training environments.
- Contribute to marketing, communications and social-media content related to hockey and sport.
- Keep accurate records for player development, attendance and fixtures.



## **Person Specification:**

### **Essential**

- Significant hockey coaching experience, ideally within school, academy or club environments.
- Ability to coach across all ages (4–18) with enthusiasm and adaptability.
- Experience developing high-performance pathways or elite athletes.
- Strong organisational skills and an excellent communicator.
- Willingness to contribute fully to after-school and weekend sport.
- A passion for education and a genuine interest in working with young people.

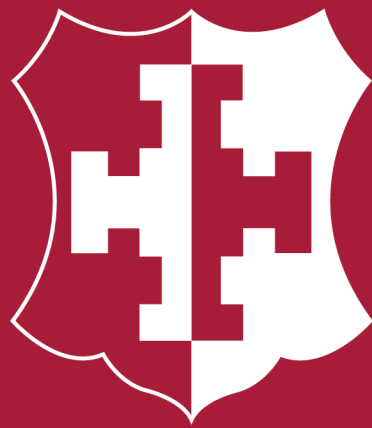
### **Desirable**

- National governing body coaching qualifications (e.g., UK Coaching / England Hockey qualifications).
- Experience playing or coaching indoor hockey
- Experience in a boarding school or holistic educational setting.
- Ability to contribute to another sport or co-curricular area.
- First Aid qualification.
- Able and willing to drive a minibus.

These duties are not exhaustive and may be added to as reasonably requested by the Head.

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