



Information for Candidates

# **Examinations Invigilator**



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# Headmaster's Welcome

Having moved to Shropshire with my wife and young family in 2018, I can speak with first-hand experience of the warmth of welcome offered by the School community and indeed within the town of Shrewsbury. It really is a friendly, gentle yet invigorating place to live and work.

The School's 110 acres have the feel of a village gathered around a green. Stunning architecture complements the natural beauty



of ancient trees and open spaces that are meticulously maintained. We wholeheartedly believe that children and staff alike respond to the inspiration of their surroundings. There can surely be fewer more uplifting places in which to live and learn. Staff morale is high and there is a shared sense of purpose which is energising. The pupils are a diverse crowd who are united by a willingness to participate and enjoy all that the school has to offer. We have an excellent staff development programme ensuring that colleagues are stimulated to keep growing as professionals.

Above all, it is a community where the individual is celebrated and encouraged to become the fullest and best version of her or himself: this goes as much for the staff as it does the children in our care.

Thank you for your interest in Shrewsbury School. I hope that this document will encourage you to go ahead with an application that may lead to your joining this unique and vibrant school community.



# Welcome to Shrewsbury School

Shrewsbury School, Independent School of the Year 2020, has a world-class reputation for all-round excellence. Fully co-educational, with a seven-day boarding heartbeat and an integral day community, the School delivers a dynamic education that develops the abilities and enthusiasms of each and every pupil.

Founded by Royal Charter in 1552, Shrewsbury School is one of the 'great' nine schools in England identified by the Clarendon Commission of 1861. The School moved to its current location in 1882. Over the centuries it has grown in size and reputation. Girls first joined the Sixth Form in 2008 and it is now ranked amongst the leading coeducational boarding schools in the world, educating around 850 pupils aged 13-18 years.

Shrewsbury delivers a programme of academic learning that is exciting, challenging, responsive and versatile. On the School's breath-taking 110-acre site on the banks of the River Severn, pupils also have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of sporting, music, drama and co-curricular activities, as well as being encouraged to engage in adventure and charitable endeavour.

Shrewsbury School is committed to a seven-day full boarding model that benefits from a local day element. The School offers only one kind of boarding: full boarding, with nearly 80% of the school roll being full boarders and around 20% holding non- UK passports.

Packwood Haugh Prep School became part of the Shrewsbury family of Schools in 2019, and was joined by Terra Nova School and Prestfelde School in 2025. All are coeducational, boarding and day schools for pupils aged 3-13, affording prospective Shrewsbury School pupils a range of early entry points to the Shrewsbury family.

Shrewsbury is a registered charity with a number of wholly owned trading companies, an annual income of over £40m and a staff of over 400. It is overseen by a Governing Body which has up to 19 members. The Governing Body and its Committees meet once a term.

Recent years have seen an ambitious programme of new buildings and refurbishment projects. The fully refurbished Barnes Theatre, recently opened by Sir Michael Palin, Old Salopian, with additional new teaching facilities for Drama and Dance. The building of a fifth girls' House (Queen Elizabeth Hall) was completed and opened in September 2023, along with two new all-weather sports pitches. A full refurbishment of Rigg's Hall, one of our boys' Houses, completed in 2022, and refurbishment projects of Churchill's and Ingram's Hall completed in 2023.



## Job Description

#### MAIN PURPOSE OF ROLE

To work in a team of Examination Invigilators supervising pupils undertaking examinations in accordance with the legal School requirements and Shrewsbury Schools procedures.

#### **LEVEL OF POSITION**

The Post holder will report directly to the Senior Examinations Officer who is responsible for day-to-day Line Management.

#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBLITIES**

The duties and responsibilities below are illustrative. The position holder will be expected to become involved in a range of work on occasions that may not be shown below:

#### **Main Responsibilities**

- To undertake invigilation and other examination-related duties under instruction from the Senior Examinations Officer
- To conduct exams in accordance with the 'Guidance for Invigilators' instructions as provided by the Senior Examinations Officer and the JCQ regulations for conducting exams.
- To collect confidential examination papers and materials from the exams office and keep secure before, during and after exams.
- To check the examination room has been prepared to JCQ regulations and is fully equipped with all the required stationery and examination materials.
- To distribute the correct exam papers and materials to candidates.
- To assist in admitting the pupils to the examination room and enabling them to find their allocated seats.
- To make sure that candidates are seated according to the seating plan. If no plan is provided, to create one.
- To mark any absences on the candidate list and to inform the exams office directly.



- To ensure pupils are given the opportunity to switch off and hand in their mobile telephones, or any other unauthorised materials, and to warn the candidates of the potential consequences if they fail to do so.
- If Invigilator is appointment Designated Lead to room then to make the information announcement at the start of the examination, to advise the candidates when they are to stop working.
- To clearly mark the white boards with the centre details, correct date, examination details and start and finish times, including extra time allowances.
- To supervise the pupils in a quiet and unobtrusive manner to ensure that the regulations on conduct, communication etc. are strictly observed.
- To respond to pupil gueries in accordance with the Awarding Body regulations.
- To distribute additional paper and/or equipment as necessary.
- To escort and supervise pupils that may need to leave the examination room.
- To report any incidences to the Senior Examinations Officer and record details on the 'Examination Record Card'.
- To dismiss the pupils who have finished an examination in a manner to cause as little disruption to any remaining candidates as possible.
- To check candidates' names and candidate numbers on scripts match the attendance register. Sort sets of completed papers by candidate number at the end of the examination and then return them to the exams office.
- To ensure that the examination room is clear and tidied for the next session.
- To liaise with the Senior Examinations Officer to ensure that provision is made for pupils who require special consideration.
- To facilitate Access Arrangements (full training will be provided).
- To supervise exam timetable clash candidates between exam sessions.
- To carry out any other duties appropriate to this position as instructed by the Senior Examinations Officer.
- To attend any training events as required by the school.



#### Suitability to work with children

- Shrewsbury School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
- The postholder must comply with the School's Safeguarding & Child Protection policy at all times.
- The postholder must undergo Safeguarding & Child Protection training as directed by their Line Manager.
- Full safer recruitment checks will be completed on successful candidates which will include an Enhanced Disclosure & Barring (DBS) check.

#### **Contacts**

• In all contacts the successful applicant will be required to be a good ambassador for Shrewsbury School as well as maintain constructive relationships.



# Person Specification

It is anticipated that the successful candidate will demonstrate the following:

	<u>Essential</u>	<u>Desirable</u>
Qualifications		
A good standard of education		$\checkmark$
Work Experience		
Previous work experience in a similar role would be an advantage		$\checkmark$
Excellent communication skills to liaise with a wide range of people	$\checkmark$	
Able to work independently and as part of a team	$\checkmark$	
Good ICT skills		$\checkmark$
Confident public speaker		$\checkmark$
Personal attributes		
Problem solving skills	$\checkmark$	
Ability to self-organise and meet deadlines while working under pressure with minimal supervision, and on own initiative	$\checkmark$	
Ability to relate to, and supervise, pupils.	$\checkmark$	



	<u>Essential</u>	<u>Desirable</u>
Specialist Knowledge		
Understand and able to ensure compliance of JCQ regulations within the examination room	$\checkmark$	
To ensure standards for quality, customer service and health and safety are met	$\checkmark$	
Other/Special Working conditions		
Experience of working with young people		$\checkmark$
Able to be flexible to working hours	$\checkmark$	



## Our Ethos

Shrewsbury School has a strong vision, derived from our position as a major coeducational boarding and day school of international reputation.

A Shrewsbury education will educate and empower each individual pupil to flourish in life and contribute positively to the world around them.

Shrewsbury offers a unique whole person education – Floreat – that fosters learning and personal development in four vital and mutually reinforcing fields: the intellective; the active; the expressive and the reflective. Through this distinctive model of education Shrewsbury promotes the Six Salopian Virtues: wisdom; kindness; courage; integrity; self-mastery and spirit.

As a learning community, the School pursues academic knowledge, wisdom and truth with the aim of developing the 'cultural capital' of each child and instilling character strengths, aptitudes and viral life skills, such as resilience and resourcefulness. The individual is able to flourish whilst also pursuing communal values, social responsibility and a willingness to contribute positively to the wider world.

More information about Shrewsbury's Ethos and Educational Philosophy can be found *here*.





# Support Staff at Shrewsbury

Support staff provide management and operational support, in various careers, which enables teachers to focus on the teaching and learning of our pupils. We believe that having motivated and enthusiastic staff who want to support teaching and learning is critical to our academic provision.

We will always strive to achieve the highest possible standards in the breadth and quality of our curriculum, the provision of our facilities and resources and achievements, whether academic, sporting, musical, theatrical or artistic, of our pupils and our staff.

Shrewsbury delights in the uniqueness of its education; a blend of values, traditions, and inspiring people. Our staff are our greatest asset with both teaching and support staff inspiring our pupils through their dedicated professional support.

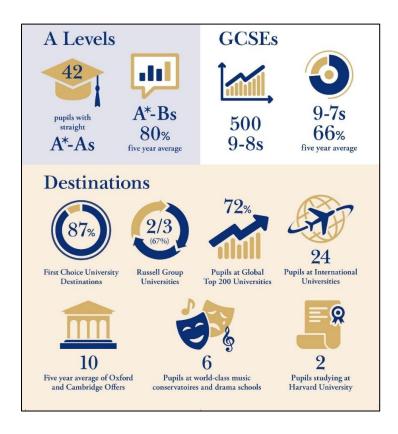




## Academic Life at Shrewsbury

Academic life focuses on developing intellectually curious young adults who are able to think critically and creatively, have the confidence to question and to challenge and are equipped with the skills that they will need to thrive at all stages of life.

In recent years, around 5% of our leavers have gone on to Oxford and Cambridge and virtually all have taken up places at the university of their first choice. We expect about 80% of A Levels each year to be passed at A\*, A or B grade. But there is as much joy for pupils who surpass his or her expectations as there is for the pupil whose progress to top grades always seemed more certain. Our Summer 2024 results and destinations are summarised below.



2024 Public Examination Results at Shrewsbury



# Pastoral Life at Shrewsbury

The unique, friendly yet respectful atmosphere between staff and students plays a crucial part in establishing the character of Salopians and the School. Together we are a highly supportive community. The House system (7 boys' Houses and 5 girls' Houses) is at the heart of Shrewsbury School.

The House is a Salopian's centre of gravity, a real home from home, somewhere to relax and make friends, as well as work. In addition to their Housemaster or Housemistress, each pupil has a personal tutor who is also attached to the House and will be involved in a duty evening plus helping out with house events and trips.





# Co-Curricular Life at Shrewsbury

We want all our pupils, whatever their ability, to enjoy their life beyond the classroom, and Shrewsbury has a well-earned reputation for artistic, musical and sporting excellence.

We compete internationally in cricket and rowing, and we are one of the strongest schools in the country for football, cross-country running and fives. Facilities and coaching for these - and a host of other sports including badminton, basketball, tennis, fencing, lacrosse, hockey, netball, and rugby - are excellent.

Our school plays and musicals have drawn praise at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and in London. As one would expect from one of the strongest music departments in the country, the breadth and quality of music making is remarkable, and a number of pupils win places at some of the top music colleges each year.

We also offer our pupils an extraordinary array of clubs, societies and other co-curricular activities, many of which take place on a dedicated weekly activity afternoon. The majority are led by members of school staff.

Shrewsbury is surrounded by glorious unspoiled countryside and the School makes the most of its easy access to the Shropshire Hills, the Welsh Marches and Snowdonia, as well as easy access to Birmingham and Manchester.





## International Links

At Shrewsbury School we delight in playing our part in developing outstanding schools around the world. Our first international school opened in Bangkok back in 2003 and has become the benchmark for quality education in the city and the wider region.

So successful has the venture been that we opened a second campus in Bangkok in 2018 to keep up with demand, while at the same time opening a new school in Hong Kong. In 2021, Shrewsbury signed an agreement for a new premium international school launched in Phnom Penh, Cambodia and in 2025 Shrewsbury International School India opened. Plans are afoot to open further international schools in the coming years.

The Shrewsbury family of Schools share commitment to encouraging intellectual curiosity and respecting diversity and have formed a close and effective partnership over the years. We exchange best practice and perspectives from our own operating contexts via regular staff visits and via Governors who sit on the Boards of the international schools. Over the years Shrewsbury UK graduates have visited Bangkok to enjoy gap year opportunities there.





## The Application Process

Please complete the Shrewsbury School application form together with a covering letter.

Please email your documents, ideally as 'pdfs' to: <u>recruitment@shrewsbury.org.uk</u> by the closing date and time.

Alternatively, you may prefer to send a printed copy, addressed to: The Human Resources Department, The Bursary, Kingsland House, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 7BB.

Closing Date: 12pm, Wednesday 26 November 2025.

Interviews will be held on Wednesday 3 December 2025.

Start date: January or February 2026, subject to safer recruitment checks.

Early applications are encouraged. We reserve the right to close this vacancy early, should a suitable candidate be appointed before the closing date.

Short-listed candidates will be contacted by telephone.

Offers will be given verbally and in writing as soon as possible following the interview.

Queries regarding applications should be addressed to: <u>recruitment@shrewsbury.org.uk</u> or telephone 01743 250834.

Please note the Recruitment Guidance Notes on page 20.





## **Benefits and Contractual Terms**

#### **Contractual staff benefits**

#### **Pay**

The hourly rate of pay is £12.31.

#### Hours

This position is casual, and you will be called upon to work as and when required.

Your actual working hours will be in accordance with those given by the Sports Facilities Manager; however, due to the casual nature of this contract there are no guaranteed hours from one week to the next.

#### **Holiday pay**

Due to the casual nature of this contract, you will receive payment of holidays at the end of each term, based on the total number of hours worked each term.

#### **Training & Development**

The successful candidate will be required to complete in-house statutory training for Safeguarding & Child Protection and manual handling as part of their induction into the school.



#### **Non-contractual Staff Benefits**

#### **Training & Development**

All Shrewsbury School staff have the opportunity to access generous professional training; we seek to develop individuals in all areas of their school life.

#### **Provision of Meals**

While the kitchens are operational and if on duty, lunch is provided in our dining room, Kingsland Hall.

## **Parking**

Parking is provided free of charge on and around site in designated areas and with a school permit.

#### **Sports Facilities**

Our swimming pool has both staff and staff family swim times. We have tennis courts, squash courts and a gymnasium which are available for staff use.

## **Discount Gym membership**

There is a discounted gym membership that staff can access at a local club.



## **Recruitment Guidance Notes:**

#### **Terms of Appointment**

Under the Department of Education's Keeping Children Safe in Education Regulations we have a legal duty to follow safer recruitment checks. Therefore, any appointment will be subject to the following employment checks:

#### **Probationary Period**

All appointments are subject to a twelve months' probationary period.

#### **Application Form**

All candidates must complete our application form to be considered for a job. You must list your employment history from the date you left full-time education and give details of any employment gaps. This should be accompanied by a covering letter.

#### Note: CVs are not accepted.

Your letter and application form should be sent as a pdf to:

recruitment@shrewsbury.org.uk

#### References

In order to assess candidates' suitability, we shall request at least three references. Please note that in accordance with safer recruitment regulations, Shrewsbury School will follow up written references with a telephone call to the referee. The School will also follow up recent employment within an educational setting.

#### Right to work in the UK

If you are invited to attend an interview you will be asked to bring identification with you to confirm your right to work in the UK. We ask that you bring **three** forms of identification with you, to include:

- Current passport, share code or eligible immigration document
- ★ Current driving licence
- Birth or adoption certificate for the UK or Channel Islands issued within 12 months of birth (including those issued by UK authorities overseas, e.g. Embassies, High Commission and HM Forces)



#### **Evidence of qualifications**

If you are invited to attend an interview you will be asked to bring original evidence of your qualifications.

#### **Medical Fitness**

If successfully appointed, you will be asked to complete an occupational health statement and if necessary, complete a pre-employment health screening.

#### Safer recruitment checks

Please read through the school's Safer Recruitment Policy which will give full details of the safer recruitment checks undertaken as part of the on-boarding procedure. If you have any questions on any of these checks please contact us. In summary, below are details of some of the checks carried out.

#### **Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) Disclosure:**

If you have ever been convicted of a criminal offence, bound over or cautioned, you must read carefully the section of the application form headed 'Criminal Convictions'. The appointment is subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) Certificate.

#### **Overseas Police check**

If you have spent time abroad for three months or more in the last five years you will be required to obtain an overseas check from that country. The school will support the successful candidate through this process.

#### **Prohibition check**

Some pupil facing job roles require the School to carry out a prohibition check. This is carried out online via the Department for Education website.

#### Online check

Under the Keeping Children Safe in Education guidance, the school is required to carry out online searches of publicly available information for shortlisted candidates.





# Shrewsbury

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