

## Training to Teach

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Dear Parent

Are you, or do you know someone who is interested in training to become a secondary school teacher?

### A 'Train to Teach' Afternoon Tea Event at St Joseph's School

Test Valley School has linked up with several other secondary schools in the Salisbury area to form a consortium called '**SUPA Salisbury**' whose goal is to make Salisbury a centre of excellence in the delivery of teacher training. This is really important to us because it means we can choose the very best talent and develop them into teachers. This consortium works in partnership with the University of Southampton and the local schools offering training places include South Wilts Grammar School, St Edmund's Girls School, Stonehenge School, Trafalgar School, Saint Joseph's Catholic School and Bishop Wordsworth School. All these schools offer school-led teacher training via a School Direct route that retains the academic rigour of University led training.

Successful completion of the training will result in a PCGE with QTS. Further general details about teacher training routes can be found at [www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching](http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching)

SUPA Salisbury currently has vacancies to start training from September 2018 and we would be very interested to hear from you if you are thinking of becoming a teacher, or know someone who is. We're looking for people who have (or will have) a degree, have a passion for teaching and want to inspire young people to fulfil their potential. More information about SUPA Salisbury can be found on our school website.

To gain more details about routes into teaching you are invited to attend an afternoon tea and chat to be held at St Joseph's School. This '**Train to Teach**' **Afternoon Tea Event** is taking place on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018 between 3.45pm and 5.15pm**. Staff involved with SUPA Salisbury will be available to talk with you. There will also be a formal presentation (repeated during this time at **4.00pm and 4.45pm**) with time between to ask questions and gain more information about this exciting opportunity.

If you are interested in this event, please email Richard Rooney at [rro@sics.org.uk](mailto:rro@sics.org.uk) to register your interest.

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Alternatively, the various schools in the SUPA Salisbury Alliance offer School Experience Days during the year so that you can have a 'taste' of what teaching is all about. If you would like to take up the offer of a School Experience Day, please contact any of the schools directly or Mrs Briggs (Test Valley School) on 01264 810555 or email [briggst@testvalley.hants.sch.uk](mailto:briggst@testvalley.hants.sch.uk)

If you are not able to undertake a School Experience Day but would like any further information, please email [supa@soton.ac.uk](mailto:supa@soton.ac.uk)

We look forward to meeting with you.

Yours sincerely

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