



ASCENSION ISLAND GOVERNMENT
TWO BOATS SCHOOL

VACANCY NOTICE

Secondary Teacher (Science)



Total package value up to £41,018 per annum

Comprising salary of up to £23,840 plus food and utilities allowances, housing and other benefits – details below.

About the role

Two Boats School is a unique, friendly primary and secondary school located on the beautiful island of Ascension in the South Atlantic. With around 65 students aged 3–16, our small and nurturing environment enables every child to be known, valued and supported to achieve their best.

What you'll do

We are seeking to appoint a Secondary Teacher of Science to join our small and supportive school community on Ascension Island. The post will commence at the start of the September 2026 academic year. The role will primarily involve teaching Key Stage 3 Science and GCSE Science/Marine Science lessons. Due to the size of the school, teachers are expected to be flexible and contribute to the wider curriculum, and the ability and willingness to teach Music, French and/or Food technology would be an advantage.

What you'll bring

You will hold Qualified Teacher Status (or an equivalent recognised teaching qualification) and have experience teaching Science at secondary level. You will be adaptable, organised and committed to safeguarding, with a positive approach to working in a small-school and island community setting.

What's it like to live and work on Ascension?

Ascension is a small volcanic island, situated in the South Atlantic, with a warm stable climate (26-34°C). We are part of the wider UK Overseas Territory of Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha, situated approximately 1,000 miles from the mainland of Africa and 800 miles from our nearest neighbour, the island of St Helena. To thrive here in this high-profile role, you must be resilient, adaptable and able to live and work in a remote environment and small community.

What we offer

In addition to an annual salary of up to £23,840 (taxable on Ascension), the role attracts an accompanied status contract and the following benefits:

- Rent free furnished accommodation worth £3,000 pa (taxable benefit)
- An Accompanied status food allowance of £7,680 pa accompanied, or Single status £3,840 pa (taxable benefit)
- An electricity allowance worth £3,296 pa
- A water allowance worth £3,202 pa accompanied, or £1,921 single status
- Relocation costs for your personal effects, including assistance with the shipment of a vehicle
- One mid-contract return journey to your country of recruitment
- 30 days' annual holiday (with an additional 9 days public holidays)
- A gratuity payable on the successful completion of a 2-year contract
- Free primary dental and medical care and off island, with medical referral if required including medivac arrangements in an emergency.
- Free schooling for dependent children from 4 to 16 years.
- Free annual travel insurance
- Death in Service insurance

The appointment will be subject to:

- Satisfactory employment references
- Enhanced Criminal Records Check and Qualified Teacher Status checks
- Satisfactory Medical Clearance (employee and any accompanying dependents)

Closing date: Wednesday 11 March 2026

Interviews: Week Commencing 16 March 2026 (via video call if off island)

Start date: September 2026 (Travel to Ascension Island would take place during the last week of August 2026)

For more information, a full job description, and to apply, visit:

www.ascension.gov.ac/lifestyle-and-employment/working-here/

If you have any questions about the role, email: recruitment@ascension.gov.ac