



# REPTON

## GOALKEEPER COACH -HOCKEY

January 2025





## An Introduction to Repton School

Repton is the ancient capital of Mercia, and the School, founded in 1557 from a bequest from Sir John Port of Etwall, was established on the site of a 7th century Anglo-Saxon Benedictine abbey and latterly a 12th century Augustinian priory.

The School today incorporates many of the original buildings from the estate, namely, the Guest Chamber and Prior's Lodging (which as the Old Priory currently houses the School Library and Common Room), Overton's Tower, Tithe Barn, and the Arch. The latter is all that now remains of the Priory's original gatehouse, and which helped inspire the School's motto: *porta vacat culpa*.

Today Repton is a world class, modern, flourishing community with a clear sense of purpose and momentum. As a pre-eminent co-educational and boarding and day school, Repton provides an exceptional broad-based education, blending heritage with the pursuit of excellence in a 21st century context, offering world class facilities as well as high quality teaching and pastoral care.

The School has over one thousand pupils across the Prep and Senior School, making it large enough to achieve excellence in and out of the classroom, yet small enough for individuals to grow and flourish. At Repton Senior, each pupil, whether day or boarding, is a member of a House, of which there are 10 (six for boys and four for girls).

Repton is the leading co-educational hockey school in the UK, having won 50 National Titles across multiple age groups, boys and girls, indoor and outdoor competitions. Multiple former pupils have progressed to senior international hockey and Repton has had a hockey representative at the last five Olympic Games.





## The Role

We are looking to recruit a suitably qualified, experienced, enthusiastic and energetic Goalkeeper Coach (Hockey) who is able to lead the delivery of performance and competitive Hockey Goalkeeper training. The postholder will provide exceptional coaching and have the commitment and management skills to deliver the aims for Repton Hockey within a clear timeframe.

## Key Areas of Responsibility

The Goalkeeper Coach (Hockey) is required to deliver the following key aspects:

- The coaching of our Goalkeepers as allocated and scheduled by the Heads of Performance Hockey (U14 through to U18).
- Support and develop the Goalkeepers within the school who are on an international age group pathway.
- Support and develop junior Goalkeepers to attain the highest levels of performance possible in a safe, secure and supportive environment.
- Assist the Heads of Performance Hockey with the creation and management of individual development plans for our Goalkeepers.
- Advise our team of hockey coaches (specialist and non-specialist) on how to best integrate Goalkeepers into their sessions so that all of the Goalkeepers feel included and have the opportunity to meaningfully progress.
- Use video analysis tools with our top performing Goalkeepers to aid with their development and understanding.

## Coaching and Accountability

- Maintain the standards and philosophies of Repton School and its hockey programme at all times.
- Deliver One to One or small group specialist goalkeeper coaching to support Repton's goalkeepers and their individual development.
- Report back to the Heads of Performance Hockey on progress, achievement and performance of the goalkeepers within these sessions
- Coach within the desired tone and ethos of the Repton Hockey Programme.
- Actively promote the Schools' behavioral values and expectations amongst Hockey squad members.
- Build professional relationships with all staff associated with Repton Hockey across Repton School and Repton Prep to ensure the best pastoral care, academic and Hockey performances for the athletes in our care.



## Candidate Qualities

### Qualifications & Experience

Proven track record of progressing NAG standard Goalkeepers

England Hockey Level 2 qualified (or equivalent)

A minimum of five years' coaching experience

Strength and Conditioning experience (desirable)

UK driving license (desirable)

Experience of the UK School and Club Hockey system, to include competitions and pathways

First Aid certification (desirable)

### Knowledge

An understanding of the junior performance pathways within Hockey in the UK

Awareness of recent coaching methodology

Understanding of current goalkeeping trends and best practice

Knowledge and understanding of independent schools' sport provision (desirable)



## Information for Candidates

Applications, which include the names and addresses of two professional referees, should be submitted via our website. [Job Search \(repton.org.uk\)](https://www.repton.org.uk/job-search)

Closing date for applications is Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at midday.

Applicants will be contacted for interview if they have been successful in the short-list process. Interviews will take place in week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

For an informal discussion about the role, please contact Adam Dixon (Head of Performance Hockey) [adixon@repton.org.uk](mailto:adixon@repton.org.uk) or Rob Clarke (Director of Sport) [rclarke@repton.org.uk](mailto:rclarke@repton.org.uk)

Remuneration will be discussed at interview.

In accordance with the Children Act any appointment to the Repton staff is conditional on criminal records clearance and the successful candidate will be required to supply the necessary information and documentary evidence. References will be obtained on all candidates called for interview and applicants should be aware that the interview will contain questions relating to the candidates' suitability to working in a post involving children.

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Therefore, the following shall be deemed to be included, in addition to the duties that you may be required to perform:

**Promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom you are responsible and with whom you come into contact.**

*Under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 it is a criminal offence for a person over 18 (e.g. teacher, matron, sports coach) to have a sexual relationship with a child under 18 where that person is in a position of trust in respect of that child, even if the relationship is consensual. This applies where the child is in full-time education and the person works in the same establishment as the child, even if s/he does not teach the child. Moreover, whatever the age of the pupil, a sexual relationship between an employee and a pupil will be considered an abuse of a position of trust and gross misconduct, likely to result in dismissal.*



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