



Warwick
Schools
Foundation



Information for Applicants

Job Title: Catering Assistant

To start: May 2026

Welcome from the Foundation Principal



Thank you for the interest you have shown in the role of Catering Assistant.

Our Foundation is unique. We are a large but united community, focused entirely on ensuring that the pupils in our care have the most exceptional of educational opportunities. All that we do has that mission at its heart. Working together, our aim is for our Foundation schools – individually and collectively – to be recognised as the most vibrant and exciting in the U.K.

We are seeking to appoint a Catering Assistant to help a busy and thriving Catering Department.

I hope you are inspired by what you read and will want to join us, to play a key part in our exciting future.

Richard Nicholson MA (Oxon)
Foundation Principal



About Warwick Schools Foundation

Warwick Schools Foundation (the Foundation) proudly educates girls and boys from 3-18 years of age. We are one of the largest independent school charities in the country, with some 2,800 pupils and 800 staff, and are committed to providing an outstanding education for all our pupils while being an exceptional place to work and the first choice for those seeking independent education for their children.

Our historic schools are Warwick Junior School and Warwick School, which operate as a through-school for boys, and Warwick Preparatory School and the King's High School, which operate as a through-school for girls with a co-educational Pre-Prep.

These schools are located on the Foundation's 55-acre site in Warwick. Between them, they educate some 2,500 pupils and offer a unique model of education in the Midlands: co-education for our pupils aged 3 to 7, and single-sex education from age 7 onwards. This provides 'the best of both worlds' for our pupils: teaching specifically tailored to their needs with extensive learning opportunities to collaborate outside the classroom.

In 2021 we welcomed The Kingsley School, Royal Leamington Spa into our family of schools. Kingsley is an established and highly regarded school, and in 2025 will extend its educational provision to boys as well as girls all the way from 3-18.

More information about the schools may be found on their websites:

www.warwicksschool.org

www.warwickprep.com

www.kingshighwarwick.co.uk

www.thekingsleyschool.co.uk

More information on the Foundation can be found at:

www.warwicksschoolsfoundation.co.uk

The Foundation is an active membership of the following associations:

- AGBIS
- GSA
- IDPE
- HMC
- IAPS
- ISA
- ISB



Organisational Structure

Warwick Schools Foundation, is registered as both a Charity and a Company, with the Governors being both Trustees of the Charity and Directors of the Company.

The Governing Body is the legal guardian of Warwick Schools Foundation and is responsible for ensuring that it delivers its charitable objective:

'To advance education by carrying on in or near Warwick, day and boarding schools for boys and girls.'

Governors delegate the operational running of the Foundation to the Foundation Principal, who acts as Chief Executive Officer with direct accountability for the Foundation and all its activities. The Foundation Principal is Mr Richard Nicholson. He is supported by the Foundation Bursar, Mrs Victoria Espley, who acts as Chief Operating Officer for the Charity.

This role will report to Front of House and Hospitality Manager



Our Facilities

Warwick Campus

Home to some 2,500 pupils aged 3–18, the 55-acre Campus boasts outstanding and cutting-edge facilities for our pupils. The campus has received significant investment over recent decades, including Warwick Hall, which was completed in 2016.

King's High School was also relocated from its historic town centre site in 2019 to join Warwick Preparatory School and Warwick School in a purpose-built home on one spacious, green campus. As part of this relocation, facilities were developed for all schools including:

- Enhanced sports facilities, including a 3G rugby pitch for Warwick School, five netball and six tennis courts.
- A series of pedestrianised Quads.
- A shared Sixth Form Centre for both Warwick and King's High School students to enjoy for shared curriculum enrichment and social activities.
- Improved play space for Warwick Preparatory School, including a nursery garden and 'forest school'.
- A shared Music School for the pupils of King's High and Warwick Preparatory School.

Leamington Campus

The Kingsley School is home to around 300 pupils. Situated in the centre of Leamington, the excellent facilities include the Prep School, Senior School, and a dedicated Sixth Form Centre. Twelve acres of playing fields are just a short drive away and include a pavilion and netball and tennis courts.

Investments over recent years have included a bright and welcoming new Learning Resource



Job Description

Post Title:

Catering Assistant

Hours of Work:

37.5 hours per week working five over seven days from 8:00am – 16:00pm, with a 36 minute unpaid break.

Salary point: Spine point 11

FTE £24,561 per annum

Actual Wage:

£20,096 per annum actual salary

Location Warwick Campus

Start Date: May 2025

Reporting Line:

The post holder will report to the Front of House Manager

Purpose of this Job Description

The Foundation considers this document as a “snapshot” of the job and the tasks listed are not an exhaustive list. It aims to provide a clear guide at the time of writing to all that is involved about the requirements of the job. It will also be used to communicate expectations about performance and will be used to monitor effective performance.

Responsibilities

- To assist with the preparation of and service of all meals and refreshments as determined by the Head Chef and Front of House Manager.

- To undertake the delivery of hospitality requirements across campus.
- To assist with the preparation of the dining rooms and kitchen ready for service.
- To ensure the safe service of all meals and drinks.
- To ensure the kitchen and dining rooms are cleaned and maintained to a high standard during and after service.
- To wash up, dry and store crockery, cutlery, glasses, pots, pans and utensils in a safe and hygienic manner.
- To sweep, mop, wipe and clean floors, walls, tables and all kitchen surfaces and equipment.
- To comply with Statutory Regulations pertaining to the safe and hygienic operation of the kitchen as directed by the Head Chef or Front of House Manager, including the maintenance of records.
- To assist in ensuring the physical security of the kitchen, food stores and catering office at all times.
- To carry out any other reasonable requests by the Head Chef, Front of House Manager or Foundation Head of Food Operations.

Additional duties

The post holder must comply with the Data Protection Act 1988, the Computer Misuse Act 1990 and all other policies as detailed on the Foundation Hub and in the staff handbook.

To report any Health & Safety problems to the Health & Safety Manager.

Safeguarding and Protection of Children and Young Persons
In accordance with the Children’s Act 1989, on appointment post holders will be required to commit to their responsibilities with regards to safeguarding.

In addition, offers of appointment will be subject to an enhanced criminal record check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and other pre-starter checks as

required by the regulations governing the appointment of staff within education.

These checks will highlight cautions, reprimands, and final warnings as well as any convictions. The post holder must not have any spent or unspent convictions that would prevent working with children.

All staff are required to adhere to the School Policy on safeguarding and undertake training as required and ensure the safeguarding and well-being of children and young people at the school, in accordance with School policies.

Health and Safety

As an employee you are expected to:

1. Take reasonable care of your own health and safety.
2. Take reasonable care not to put other people - fellow employees and members of the public - at risk by what you do or don’t do during your work.
3. Co-operate with your employer, making sure you get proper training, and you understand and follow the company’s health and safety policies.
4. Not interfere with or misuse anything that’s been provided for your health, safety, or welfare.
5. Report any injuries, strains, or illnesses you suffer as a result of doing your job.
6. Tell your employer if something happens that might affect your ability to work (e.g., becoming pregnant or suffering an injury)
7. If you drive or operate machinery, to tell your employer if you take medication that makes you drowsy.

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Competent English Language skills Basic key skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Safety Training undertaken Manual Handling Health and Safety Supervisory Certificates
Experience/Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience of working in a catering environment or similar for at least 1 year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked in a school kitchen Has Supervisory experience
Skills/Abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food handling and production technique An appreciation of cleanliness and hygiene standards and a basic knowledge of Health & Safety at Work requirements An appreciation of the importance and value of a service culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catering knowledge of food production Hospitality or Service Sector Knowledge of Fire Safety Procedures Knowledge of Food Safety Procedures
Personal attributes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean and tidy appearance Shows integrity and discretion Remains calm under pressure Good communicator Pleasant and courteous manner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Able to communicate well with staff and visitors Interested in and happy to communicate with young people Interested in different cultures Resourceful Independent
Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands their role in the context of safeguarding children, young people, and vulnerable adults Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people 	
Equal Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding of the requirements of Equality and Diversity 	

Further Details

Working hours:

8:00am – 16:00pm with a 36 minute unpaid break, 5 over 7

Working weeks: 36 weeks per year (Term-time only plus inset plus 3 days)

Pay Banding: Spine Point 11

Other benefits:

- Competitive contributory pension scheme (employee contributions matched by employer contributions up to 14%).
- Employee Assistance Programme.
- Six weeks annual holiday plus public holidays.
- Staff Fee remission at our Warwick Campus.
- Death in Service benefits.
- Free meals and refreshments provided during the working day.
- Free parking on site.
- A virtual GP and Physio service
- Access to a wide range of retail discounts
- Salary sacrifice schemes
- Use of the Sports Complex for staff.
- A strong, supportive staff community.
- Some flexible working will be considered depending on the vacancy.

Appointment Method

An interview will include questions about safeguarding children. The appointment will depend on satisfactory DBS clearance.

Warwick Schools Foundation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any concerns should be reported in accordance with the Foundation's Child Protection policy.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

The Warwick Independent Schools Foundation is committed to promoting equality of opportunity for all pupils and staff, both current and prospective, and in this position, you will actively support an environment and workplace culture that values equality, diversity and inclusion.



Appointment Timetable

Completed applications should be submitted to hr@warwickschools.co.uk

Deadline for submission of applications (on the standard application form): 11th May 2026, may close earlier if suitable applicant found

Interview date: To be confirmed

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