

Peripatetic Instrument Teacher

Reports to: Head of Music

Location: Park High School

Contract Type: Part-Time

Salary: £39/hour

Job Purpose

To provide high-quality individual instrumental/vocal tuition to students across the school, fostering musical development, confidence, creativity, and a lifelong appreciation of music. The Peripatetic Instrument Teacher will support the wider musical life of the school through performances, ensembles, examinations, and enrichment activities.

Key Responsibilities

Teaching and Learning

- Plan and deliver engaging, progressive instrumental lessons that meet the needs of students of varying ages, abilities, and experience.
- Develop students' technical proficiency, musical understanding, performance skills, and enjoyment of music.
- Prepare students for graded music examinations, performances, auditions, and assessments where appropriate.
- Monitor student progress and provide constructive feedback to students and parents/carers.
- Maintain accurate records of attendance, lesson content, and student achievement.
- Adapt teaching approaches to support students with differing learning needs and abilities.

Supporting Student Progress

- Set appropriate learning targets and encourage independent practice.
- Promote high levels of student engagement, motivation, and achievement.
- Communicate effectively with Head of Music and parents/carers regarding progress and practice expectations.
- Contribute information for reports and school communications as required.

Contribution to School Music

- Encourage participation in concerts, recitals, school productions, and community performances.
- Work collaboratively with the Music Department to enhance the school's music provision.
- Assist with the recruitment and retention of students for instrumental tuition.

Professional Responsibilities

- Work in accordance with school policies, including safeguarding, child protection, health and safety, behaviour, equality, and data protection.
- Attend meetings, training sessions, and departmental events as required.
- Maintain professional standards and keep up to date with developments in music education and instrumental pedagogy.
- Act as a positive ambassador for the school and its music programme.

Person Specification

Essential Qualifications and Experience

- Degree-level qualification in Music or a related discipline, or equivalent professional experience.
- Demonstrable expertise and performance skills on the relevant instrument(s).
- Experience of teaching instrumental lessons to children and young people.
- Strong knowledge of repertoire, technique, and examination syllabuses where applicable.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to motivate and inspire young musicians.

Essential Skills and Attributes

- Excellent organisational and time-management skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Commitment to high standards of teaching and learning.
- Flexible and adaptable approach to working within a school environment.
- Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Desirable Criteria

- Recognised teaching qualification or equivalent music education certification.
- Experience of working in a secondary school setting.
- Experience of directing ensembles or accompanying performances.
- Familiarity with GCSE and A Level Music curricula.
- Membership of a relevant professional music organisation.

Safeguarding

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff are expected to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be required to undergo appropriate pre-employment checks, including an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references.

Key Outcomes

The successful postholder will:

- Deliver high-quality instrumental tuition that enables students to make excellent progress.
- Increase student engagement and participation in music.
- Contribute positively to the musical culture and performance opportunities within the school.
- Support the school's vision of providing an inclusive and inspiring music education for all students.