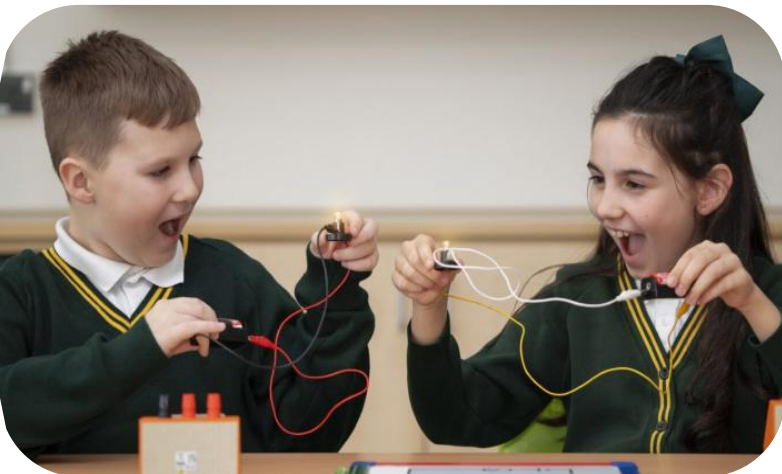


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*"If the teacher
makes the
weather, the school
creates the
climate."*

Sir Tim Brighouse

Welcome

For me there are three simple things that I want us to achieve:

First, we believe in character education, which is delivered through all schools. Through this we instil the key habits needed for young people to be successful in life. It also pushes us to be the best in everything we do. Across our schools we have some of the best results in the area, we have students at the best universities, we have the most students on apprenticeships in the entire country, we have students on international scholarships and much more. We have all of this because we push our students and each other to try hard and be our best each and every day.

Second, I believe that if you can't see it you can't be it. We want to give our students the chance to see successful people of every religion, colour and background whilst they are at school. Whatever their dreams we want to support them and provide the networks and contacts to help them to achieve.

Lastly, we want our students to have a voice in the world. To be confident enough to express their views and also to have the knowledge to be able to make an effective contribution. The more you know, the more powerful you can be in the world.

The quote from Sir Tim Brighouse symbolises our approach to leadership. It is our role as a leadership team to create the best possible learning environment for our teachers to teach in. In return we expect the best possible teaching from them and our results show this over time. We have created systems and structures that support high quality learning while minimising workload and maximising impact.

Eastbrook is part of the Barking Abbey family and in joining our community you will be part of a group that educates nearly 5000 students with over 400 staff. We are well regarded with a fantastic reputation due to our supportive culture for staff, inclusive environments for students and excellent academic achievements at all levels.

If you think the way that we do and absolutely believe in the potential of all young people, then we can offer you the chance to make a difference and change our community for the better.

I look forward to receiving your application.

Kind regards,

Tony Roe

**Executive Headteacher
Barking Abbey and Eastbrook Schools**



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"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act, but a habit."

Aristotle

Welcome

Thank you for expressing an interest in applying to work with us.

At Eastbrook secondary phase, all students are given the opportunity and platform to work, study hard and achieve in all aspects of the curriculum, in and outside of the classroom. We believe that all students should demonstrate good character in all aspects of their life and our curriculum is built around our **PROUD** habits: Principled, Resilient, Open, Understanding and Disciplined. We are a School of Character, which allows students to demonstrate these habits to offer a full and rounded educational experience.

We are very fortunate to have a very new school site, which offers some of the best teaching facilities in the area. Our learning spaces are second to none and include high quality science labs, professional level art and photography studios, the latest technology facilities, high spec music and drama facilities and equipment and multiple spacious sports halls, with professional equipment. All of which give students the best platform for high quality teaching and learning, where teachers are able to teach and learners are able to learn.

We have three key aims for all students that attend Eastbrook School:

- For all students to strive for **Excellence**.
- For all students to feel that they **Belong**.
- For all students to have the platform to **Succeed**.

To achieve these aims, we ask that all students are **PROUD**. **PROUD** of the work that they produce and the effort they put into their learning. **PROUD** of their achievements and that we have a culture of achievement where we celebrate the successes of others. And finally, but most importantly, that all students, staff and families are **PROUD TO BE** part of the Eastbrook and Barking Abbey family and community.

Eastbrook is an evolving and improving school. If you see potential in all young people and want to help harness and captivate the minds of eager and enthusiastic learners, we can offer you the chance to make a difference and improve our school for the better.

So, welcome once again to Eastbrook School and we look forward to you joining us and contributing to a community that you are **PROUD TO BE** part of.

Kind regards,

Jamie Gibson

**Eastbrook Secondary School Headteacher
Barking Abbey and Eastbrook Schools**



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"One child, one teacher, one pen and one book can change the world."

Malala Yousafzai

Welcome

Thank you for expressing an interest in applying to work with us.

We believe that a truly outstanding school is one that enables all children to achieve their best.

One where academic attainment is high and the academic progress of individuals is maximised. It is a place where all children acquire the character virtues that lead to success in school and university, in work and life beyond.

We are looking for an outstanding individual to join us on our journey to becoming just such a school.

All staff play a fundamental role in helping students achieve academically, whilst developing their character strengths. You will role model commitment, hard work and good character, and strive to exemplify our core virtues: Curiosity, Perseverance, Teamwork, Gratitude, Kindness.

In return we commit to giving you the time, inspiration, support and coaching to flourish.

If this role matches your vision and you are excited by the possibility of joining our dynamic staff team, then we'd love to hear from you.

Kind regards,

Evan Hollows

**Eastbrook Primary School Headteacher
Barking Abbey and Eastbrook Schools**



JOB INFORMATION

Kitchen/Catering Assistants

START DATE: September 2026

Salary Scale: Scale 2 (Pt 3 £15.68ph) – (Pt 4 £15.90ph)

Hours: Working Monday to Friday term time only, between 20 and 35 hours per week (up to 7 hours per day) working between the hours of 07.00 and 16.00.

Shifts to be confirmed at interview to suit the needs of the individual and school.

We are looking for motivated and passionate Kitchen Assistants who will be at the heart of our school, working as part of our catering team delivering an outstanding food provision across the school. You will join a team that takes a real pride in what they do and who are passionate about providing outstanding service. To meet the needs of the whole school community.

Purpose of the role:

- Preparing delicious, high-quality food that delights our students & staff
- Maintaining a high standard of cleanliness of the kitchen and surrounding areas
- Ensuring the correct use of all machinery and equipment at all times
- Assisting with the loading or unloading of deliveries and storing away
- Representing the school and maintaining a positive brand image
- Complying with Food Handling & Hygiene standards
- Complying with Health & Safety regulations

The ideal candidate will:

- Demonstrate an ability to manage pressure, prioritise tasks and communicate effectively at all levels
- Be an excellent team player
- Have a committed and organised approach
- Have a desire to succeed in your role
- Possess the ability to work under pressure
- Be flexible to work occasional out of hours school events, you will be paid for working these
- Demonstrate Exceptional timekeeping and reliability

In return we offer:

- A Good school with a welcoming and supportive community.
- A student-centred, progress focused ethos.
- The opportunity to work with passionate, hardworking and supportive staff.
- A supportive and committed Leadership Team and Governing Body.
- A commitment to develop your skills through continued professional development.
- Purpose built specialist learning environment with industry level resources.
- A school which understands the importance of staff well-being and workload management.

Eastbrook is an all through school. Whilst staff may be primarily based in secondary or primary, there is an expectation that staff contribute to and work across all key stages. Eastbrook School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and is an Equal Opportunities Employer. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and a comprehensive screening process, including Disclosure check, will be undertaken on all successful applicants.



JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Catering Assistant
Grade:	Scale 2 (Pt 3 – 4)
Department:	Catering
Location:	Eastbrook school – Whole school
Line Manager:	Catering Manager
Line Management of:	N/A

JOB PURPOSE

To assist in the safe, smooth and efficient running of a busy school catering department. To work as part of the catering team to provide, fresh, healthy and nutritious food that meets the needs of all staff and students. To ensure that all school and legal policies are adhered to and to assist in the daily completion of all health & safety / kitchen safety throughout your tasks. To offer first class customer service at all times.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist in all aspects of the catering service as necessary either working on the EPOS tills or serving from the counters.
- To support in the school kitchens with food preparation and service delivery as directed by supervisors.
- Assist with the production and display of certain food items and sandwiches under the direction of the supervisors.
- Be responsible for cleaning items of crockery, service, table and kitchen equipment as and when necessary.
- Ensure full awareness of who have allergies to various food items and then to manage the service of food correctly from the counter at each mealtime.
- Be responsible for cleaning kitchen areas as and when directed.
- Sign cleaning schedules on completion of cleaning tasks.
- Report any faulty or broken equipment to the Catering Manager
- Attend training as and when necessary.
- Assist with hospitality operations as and when necessary.
- Abide by departmental & Eastbrook school rules and procedures at all times.
- Maintain impeccably high standards of personal and food hygiene at all times.
- Be responsible for ensuring that correct Personal Protective Equipment is used correctly at all times as per the training given.
- Be available for work on occasional evening functions ie parents evenings as required – notice will be provided leading up to these events. This will be paid overtime.
- Be mindful of the school's Health and Safety policy at all times.
- To provide an outstanding customer service at all times to all stakeholders.
- To be an effective and appropriate communicator, with staff, students and all stakeholders
- To undertake any other duties deemed commensurate with the post and as directed by the Catering Management, School Business Manager or school community.



JOB DESCRIPTION

GENERAL ACCOUNTABILITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensure the school is cleaned to appropriate standard, ensuring compliance to relevant training, safety and instruction given.
- Ensure compliance with appropriate legislation, School and Council Policies, Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and other requirements of the Council.
- Undertake a proactive, committed approach towards the School's Best Value ethos.
- Ensure compliance with and actively promote the School and the School's Equality policy and strategies.
- Ensure compliance with and actively promote Health and Safety at work legislation, School and Council H&S policies and procedures.
- Comply with the competencies and standard requisites agreed by the School as relevant to the post.
- Comply with the Data Protection Act 1998 (all employees of the Council will not disclose or make use of, for their private advantage, any information held on manual or computer records, which are not available to the public, however acquired.)
- Take responsibility for continuing self-development and participate in training and development activities.
- At any time you may be asked to cover areas, or relocate to an alternative area to assist with the schools ever changing needs.

The above-mentioned duties are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the post holder may be called upon to carry out such other appropriate duties as may be required by the Headteacher, within the grading level of the post and the competence of the post holder.

The school will endeavour to make any necessary reasonable adjustments to the job and the working environment to enable access to employment opportunities for disabled job applicants or continued employment for any employee who develops a disabling condition.

This job description is current at the advertised date but will be reviewed on an annual basis and, following consultation with you, may be changed to reflect or anticipate changes in the job requirements which are commensurate with the job title and grade.



PERSON SPECIFICATION

	Criteria	Essential	Desirable	Assessment Method		
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Knowledge & Skills	Effective oral & written communication skills so as to be able to complete simple forms, follow and understand instructions, both verbally and in writing.	✓		✓	✓	
	An awareness of health & safety.	✓		✓	✓	
Experience	Previous cleaning experience.	✓		✓		
	Previous experience in a school environment.		✓	✓		
Attitude & Personal Qualities	Good timekeeping.	✓			✓	
	Ability to start work in line with Shift pattern.	✓			✓	
	Willingness to attend relevant job training.	✓			✓	
	Willingness to cover for absent colleagues work in an emergency.	✓			✓	
	Willingness to work across the school site.	✓			✓	
	Honesty and Integrity.	✓			✓	
	Ability to demonstrate an awareness of equality and diversity and to promote these through working practices.	✓			✓	
	Ability to work flexibly.	✓			✓	
	Current driving licence and car for travel		✓			



EXPECTATIONS OF STAFF

In addition to the specific requirements of the advertised role, all members of staff are expected to adhere to the areas outlined below:

ALL STAFF

To promote the vision, culture and ethos of the school.

To help maintain excellent behaviour across the whole school.

To contribute to the effective working of the school.

Role model the school's **PROUD** values - Principled, Resilient, Open, Understanding and Disciplined.

Support the school's values and ethos by contributing to the development and implementation of policies, practices and procedures.

Help create a strong school community, characterised by excellent behaviour and caring, respectful relationships.

Help develop a culture and ethos that is committed to high academic achievement and the development of good character.

Undertake and, when required, deliver or be part of the appraisal system and relevant training and professional development.

Implement and adhere to Eastbrook School's Code of Conduct and safeguarding policies, ensuring the health and well-being of students is maintained at all times.

Undertake other various responsibilities as directed by the Headteacher.

TEACHING STAFF

To achieve the highest quality outcomes and standards of learning for all students.

Plan, prepare and teach engaging and effective lessons of the highest standard that motivate, inspire and develop students' skills, knowledge, character strengths and a love of learning.

Use regular assessments to set targets for students, monitor students' progress and respond accordingly to the results of such monitoring.

Develop and maintain high expectations of routines, behaviour and attainment for your classroom and the wider school.

Ensure that all students are on track to achieve at least nationally expected standards of attainment and, where this is not the case, intervene appropriately to address the identified gaps in learning.

Enrich the curriculum with extra-curricular activities and educational visits that reinforce learning.

Maintain regular and productive communication with students, parents, carers and colleagues.

Implement and promote Eastbrook School's Code of Conduct and safeguarding policies, ensuring the health and well-being of students is maintained at all times.



PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALITIES

In addition to the specific requirements of the advertised role candidates will have:

An understanding of, and a commitment to, the vision and values of the school.

An understanding of how to establish and instil consistently high standards of behaviour and a culture of high achievement.

A genuine belief in the potential of every child to be skilled, knowledgeable and virtuous.

An appreciation of the value of data to identify weaknesses and inform continual improvement.

The drive and perseverance to continually reflect, evaluate, improve and learn.

Integrity and a willingness to take personal responsibility for their own actions.

Excellent organisational skills and ability to work effectively and efficiently with others.

A strong ethos of service and the desire to work collaboratively with partner stakeholders, agencies and peers, within and beyond the school.

Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all students.



VISION & APPROACH

Eastbrook is a happy, purposeful place where young people and adults enjoy learning together. We have a clear vision for the school that is based on a broad understanding of what success looks like for our students.



Our vision is for Eastbrook to be a school where academic attainment is high and the academic progress of individuals is maximised; a place where all young people acquire the character habits that lead to success in school and university, in work and life beyond.

To ensure this success we have developed a character and academics curriculum, offering an educational experience that stimulates an appetite for learning, and encourages and guides our students to achieve beyond their perceived potential.

We take an inclusive approach that maintains a focus on the well-being and progress of every young person. We provide a safe place for learning through the application of our positive behaviour system and we achieve better results by establishing a partnership between parents and teachers.

All the adults who work at the school are committed to this clear vision and are driven by our shared understanding of what success for our students looks like and how we achieve that success together.

To find out more, take a look at our website:

www.eastbrookschool.org



OUR COMMITMENT TO YOUR DEVELOPMENT

At Eastbrook we know that investing in you is an investment in our students' success.

The Senior Leadership Team at Eastbrook School highly values staff professional development, at all levels.

Weekly personal and professional development time provides the opportunity for staff to train, discuss ideas and collaborate with colleagues, as well as reflecting on your own and others' practice.

In addition, the school will support you in developing your specific talent and furthering your career. Whether you are interested in developing an area of expertise or whether you are interested in developing as a leader, we will support you in identifying the appropriate course.

At Eastbrook, you will be encouraged and supported to find and pursue your own development path, from professional qualifications such as the NPQ courses to academic qualifications, such as masters degrees.



RECRUITMENT TIMELINE

Closing Date:	17 th August 2026
Interview Date:	26 th August 2026



SAFER RECRUITMENT

Eastbrook is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in our school. In order to meet this responsibility, our school follows a rigorous selection process to discourage and screen out unsuitable applicants. This process is outlined below, but can be provided in more detail on request.

DISCLOSURE

Eastbrook requires all employees to undertake an enhanced DBS check. You are required, before appointment, to disclose any unspent conviction, cautions, reprimands or warnings under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975.

Non-disclosure may lead to termination of employment. However, disclosure of a criminal background will not necessarily debar you from employment – this will depend upon the nature of the offence(s) and when they occurred.

APPLICATION

Complete the application form and send it by email to Jobs@eastbrookschool.org or via TES.

SHORTLISTING

Only those candidates meeting the right criteria will be taken forward from application.

INTERVIEW

Shortlisted candidates will take part in an interview process that includes teaching a lesson and an interview. We will be assessing all candidates on their commitment to our values as well as their teaching ability and experience. During interview, candidates may be asked to address any discrepancies, anomalies or gaps in their application form.

REFERENCE CHECKING

As appropriate, references from your previous and current employer will be taken up following interview. Where necessary other previous employers may be contacted to gather further information.



ENCOURAGING DIVERSITY

Eastbrook School is committed to eliminating discrimination and encouraging diversity amongst our employees. Barking and Dagenham is one of the most diverse London boroughs. Our aim is that our workforce is representative of the people that live in the borough and that each employee feels respected and able to give their best.

To that end we are committed to provide equality and fairness for all in our recruitment and employment practices and not to discriminate on grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage/civil partnership status, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation. We oppose all forms of unlawful and unfair discrimination.



SCHOOL INFORMATION



Eastbrook School is an Ofsted rated Good, all-through school in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham and is part of the Barking Abbey family. Founded in 1933, Eastbrook has a well-established history of serving the local community, with many generations of families attending as students and even joining as staff. The primary school opened in 2016 and is growing in size year on year. The secondary school transferred into new, state of the art buildings in 2017, benefitting from purpose-built specialist learning environments with industry level resources.

VALUES AND VISION

Our curriculum is built around our Primary Virtues: **Curiosity, Perseverance, Teamwork, Gratitude, Kindness** and our Secondary **PROUD** habits: **Principled, Resilient, Open, Understanding** and **Disciplined**. We are a School of Character which allows students to build and demonstrate these habits through a full and rounded educational experience.

Eastbrook School promotes a student-centred, progress focused ethos within a welcoming and supportive community. At Eastbrook, we believe that a truly outstanding school is one that enables all students to achieve their best. One where academic attainment is high and the academic progress of individuals is maximised. It is a place where all students acquire the character habits that lead to success in school and university, in work and life beyond.

Staff deliver an inclusive and challenging curriculum, with regular and robust assessment, and outstanding pastoral care.

The proportion of students who speak English as an additional language or come from minority ethnic groups is high. The proportion of children who are eligible for the Pupil Premium is well above average. The Pupil Premium is additional funding given to schools for children in specific groups, including those in the care of the local authority and those known to be eligible for free school meals.

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Getting Here:

Ample onsite parking is available.
The nearest tube station is Dagenham East on the District Line.
Bus routes 174 stopping outside and 103 nearby.

