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Dear prospective applicant,

## **Teacher of Music MPS/UPS Temporary for 1 year**

Thank you for your interest in the above position. As it states on our website, Durham Johnston is a happy, successful and dynamic school at a very exciting time in our history. We have a regional reputation for academic excellence, and we are well respected in the local community.

We are looking to recruit a talented and ambitious teacher of music who is both an expert practitioner and a colleague with a deep interest in their own subject. The successful applicant will mainly teach key stage three music and there is the possibility of GCSE teaching for the right candidate. Our intake is fully comprehensive, although we have many students joining us in Year 7 with high levels of attainment. Among our students we have some of the best young minds, but we also have students who come with difficult life experiences and those who need their interest in learning to be sparked and ignited. We are seeking teachers who can offer academic stretch in addition to focused and exciting learning environments. The willingness to contribute to the wider music life of the school would be an advantage.

To this end, I encourage colleagues with a range of experiences to apply to work with us. We will appoint a teacher who can offer our students the very best of provision – whether that be someone new to the profession through to very experienced staff.

I am very excited by this appointment. Every appointment of a classroom teacher or school leader is of the utmost importance to the students. Should you be interested and want to talk to someone about the school and the department, please feel free to contact Rosslyn McFadden, (Deputy Headteacher), or Edwin Holmes (Subject Leader for music).

In addition to completing the application form we would like you to outline, in no more than two sides of A4 paper, why your experience and personal qualities make you a strong candidate for this important position.

The closing date is 11.30 a.m. on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018. Please ensure you attach the correct postage when returning your application to avoid any unfortunate delay.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

**Andrew O'Sullivan**  
Headteacher