LOCATION	Puxi, Shanghai
JOB TITLE	HEAD OF MUSIC
JOB PURPOSE	To be an outstanding leader, organiser and classroom practitioner who develops students, directly and by inspiring and enabling other staff, so that they become the best that they can be.
REPORTING TO	Head of Secondary
DIRECT REPORTS	Subject teachers
OTHER KEY	Students
RELATIONSHIPS	Parents
	Heads of Key Stages
	Head of Secondary
PACKAGE	Competitive remuneration and benefits based on experience

KEY RESULT AREA

In fulfilling the requirements of the post, the Head of Music will demonstrate essential professional characteristics, and in particular will:

- Inspire trust and confidence in students, colleagues and parents;
- Engage and motivate students;
- Build a strong teaching team and create the conditions for it to excel;
- Continually strive to develop the quality of students' learning;
- Use the student tracking and monitoring process to advance student learning and enhance professional practice in line with the school's aspirations and priorities;
- Contribute significantly to school improvement/development planning and promote the learning priorities of the school development plan;
- Lead collaboration with Juilliard in respect of Music;
- Manage the operation of the department/faculty smoothly and seamlessly;
- Develop and deploy resources to support high quality student learning;
- Promote the wider aspirations and values of the school.

Planning, Teaching and Class Management

Teach students so that they achieve the best they can by:

- Planning effective teaching programmes which provide exemplary learning opportunities within and beyond the classroom;
- Positively targeting and supporting individual learning needs;
- Maintaining high levels of behaviour and discipline;
- Effectively using homework and other extra-curricular learning opportunities;
- Establishing a purposeful and safe learning environment;
- Using modern technology to enhance learning opportunities;
- Making use of Nord Anglia Education Global Campus online.

Leadership

- Coach, mentor and help develop subject teachers to be the best they can be;
- Create meaningful accountability for outcomes;
- Be an outstanding role model;
- Create transformational change in the faculty.

Tracking, Assessment, Recording, Reporting

- Make effective use of formative and summative assessment to plan challenging learning opportunities for all students
- Monitor and record students' learning to ensure they remain on track to achieve challenging targets

Report on progress to appropriate stakeholders.

Pastoral Duties

- Establish a purposeful and safe learning environment for all students;
- Promote the general progress and well-being of individual students and of the tutor group as a whole (where relevant);;
- Contribute to the preparation of action plans and other support mechanisms;
- Alert appropriate staff to problems experienced by students and make recommendations as to how these may be resolved;
- Communicate effectively with parents of students, liaising with other staff as appropriate;
- Contribute to PSHCE according to school policy.

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Support the life of the school beyond the classroom;
- Lead one or more agreed after school activities each week;
- Participate in residential weeks and other trips as appropriate;
- Contribute to whole school learning initiatives during term.

Other Requirements

- Contribute positively to the morale and community spirit in the school;
- Work effectively in different teams;
- Assist in whole school marketing initiatives and contribute to the growth of the school;
- Operate at all times within the stated policies and practices of the school;
- Maintain an up to date knowledge of good practice in teaching techniques;
- Maintain subject(s) or specialism(s) to enable effective teaching;
- Keep knowledge of wider curriculum developments up to date;
- Undertake professional development to enhance teaching and students' learning, and apply outcomes and identify impact/share outcomes with colleagues;
- Meet responsibilities with regard to health and safety, equal opportunities and other relevant legislation and conform to professional and ethical requirements;
- Any other appropriate duties as allocated by members of the school's leadership team;

Promote and adhere to Nord Anglia Education's vision and values:

We are ambitious for our students. We believe that:

- there is no limit to what every student can achieve
- creativity and challenge help us get better every day
- learning should be personalised to each child
- unique global opportunities enhance every student's learning experience

PERSON SPECIFICATIONS		
Qualifications/Training		
 Qualified to degree level or above 	Essential	
Qualified Teacher status	Essential	
Experience / Knowledge		
 Proven track record with at least two years' teaching experience 	Essential	
 Experience of being part of a highly successful department and school 	Desirable	
Experience of leadership/management in a school	Desirable	
 Demonstrable evidence of innovating and adapting curricula to engage children and enable them to perform highly 	Essential	
 Experience of delivering a UK National Curriculum and/or the IB Diploma 	Desirable	
Working in partnership with parents	Essential	
Skills		
 Excellent oral and written communication skills 	Essential	
 Ability to engage children and enable them to perform highly 	Essential	
Strong organisational skills	Essential	
Personal Attributes		
 Passionate about education and young people 	Essential	
 Evidence of commitment to continuous professional development 	Essential	
 Confident global citizen or a willingness to become one 	Desirable	
 Understand the complex and demanding environment of an international school community 	Desirable	

OTHER CONDITIONS

Compliance with visa requirements for working in China

At Nord Anglia Education we are committed to providing a world class, safe, happy environment in which children and young people are able to thrive and learn. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our pupils irrespective of race, ability, religion, gender or culture.

All post holders in regulated activity (having regular unsupervised contact with children) are subject to appropriate national and international vetting procedures including satisfactory criminal record checks from both Country of residence/birth and any Country of residence within the last 10 years.

Dear Applicant,

I would like to tell you a little about our organisation and family of schools.

Nord Anglia Education's 56 international day and boarding schools are located in 27 countries across the Americas, Asia, the Middle East and Europe. Our organisation has been operating premium international schools for over 20 years. Within the last three years we have been particularly successful and have doubled our size and seen significant growth both within our existing schools and through the acquisition of new schools. We are a fast growing, successful education company. Our schools are mostly British International Schools and follow the English National Curriculum plus the International Baccalaureate Diploma at 16-18, plus, in some locations, A-levels, the French Baccalaureate and the Swiss Maturité.

We educate students from early years through to eighteen in through-schools. Our students come from a wide mix of backgrounds and cultures and a typical school may have up to 60 different nationalities represented. Many of our parents are ex-pats working away from their home country but we also educate local students.

Currently educating more than 51,000 students, our schools are seen as the premier school in the cities in which we operate and are a very popular choice for parents. Each Nord Anglia Education school is unique in character and tailored to meet the needs of their specific location, but they are united by the quality of education they offer, the efficiency with which they are managed and the excellence of the student experience. We position our schools as at the forefront of contemporary educational practice while preserving traditional educational values.

Outstanding teaching professionals and our distinctive educational model create exciting high performing learning environments; a Nord Anglia Education student will benefit not only from the richness and expertise within their own School environment but also from other Schools across the Nord Anglia Education family. We know that the right person can uncover new interests, and give students the confidence to chase a bright future. Our teachers come from all around the world, but they all share a belief that an inspired student can achieve amazing things.

Nord Anglia also offers a professional development programme called Nord Anglia University, which offers access to some of the finest minds and most innovative approaches in the industry. We offer the chance for experienced, passionate teachers to advance their knowledge in an exciting new environment. Nord Anglia Education also has an Education Advisory Board led by Lord David Puttnam that evaluates and supports the further rigorous provision of world-leading professional development for leaders at all levels.

The academic achievement at our school is improving year on year across every Key Stage. We are non-selective yet, in June 2018, 60% of our Year 11 students achieved 5+ A*/A grades. Our Year 13 IB Diploma students achieved an average of 36 points, with over a third exceeding 40 points, which is 10 pints higher than the global average, Indeed, each year we have students reaching the maximum score of 45 points. On average, our students score six points above the global average in their IB diploma, as well as being offered and accepting places at the world's top 30 Universities. These outstanding results come from outstanding teaching and learning at all ages from 2 to 18. However we are not complacent and strive for continual improvement through a collegiate and supportive environment, recognising staff and student as learners alike.

Thank you for your interest in our school. I look forward to hearing from you.

Dr Neil Hopkin Principal