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We are looking to recruit a part-time peripatetic Piano Teacher from January 2020. The successful candidate will be an experienced performer and teacher with a degree level (or similar) qualification in Music or Performance from either a University or Conservatoire and possibly a PGCE (although this is not essential). Teaching hours are expected to be up to two full days per week.

Enthusiasm, broad taste in music and a willingness to participate fully in the daily life of a thriving music department and, if required, to lead ensembles and performances are all essential qualities. The successful candidate will be qualified to teach students of both Junior and Senior School ages, and evidence of prior success in peripatetic music teaching will be required at interview.

All applicants who are short-listed for the post will be expected to conduct two 20 minute individual lessons as part of the assessment process - one with a beginner and one with a proficient player.

Music at Rendcomb

Rendcomb has a vivacious music culture where pupils participate fully in a varied range of experiences. The Music Department regularly mounts ambitious projects well in excess of what might be expected of a small student population. The department's focus is firmly rooted on teaching music within its wider context including a busy programme of around 30 concerts, workshops, trips, seminars and other special events annually.

This is a unique opportunity for an energetic, enthusiastic musician and teacher to join this flourishing department. The department is housed in purpose-built facilities which comprise a large teaching classroom, a Music Technology suite equipped with PCs running Cubase and Sibelius, several small teaching rooms, a corridor of practice rooms and a new recording studio and control room running Logic on Apple Macs. The rooms mostly contain new Yamaha pianos acquired very recently. The College has three further performance spaces; the 'Reading Room', a fine Georgian drawing room containing a brand new Yamaha grand piano, the 'Dulverton Hall' in Main College and the Griffin Theatre, a state of the art 350-seat performance space. The Church, which doubles as the village church, has a two manual Allen organ. The Junior School has a dedicated performing arts teaching space.

Variation to this Job Description

This is a description of the job as it is at present, and is current at the date of issue. The job description will be renewed and updated as necessary to ensure that appropriate revisions are incorporated, and that it relates to the job to be performed. This process would be conducted through consultation. You are expected to participate fully in the College's Professional Development and Review (PDR).

To apply, please click the blue "quick apply" button on TES and complete the online application form. Please also email a **covering letter** detailing your suitability for the post to Mrs Hannah Boydell at HR@rendcombcollege.org.uk

Rendcomb College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

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	Essential	Desirable	Method of Assessment
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A degree level (or similar) qualification in Music or Performance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching qualification 	Review of applicant's certificates
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong planning and organisation skills • Highly effective piano teacher • Desire to improve personal and subject standards • Ability to show innovative teaching strategies to engage students • Effective communication skills with a proven ability to build a positive and collaborative rapport with pupils, parents and staff alike • Excellent presentation skills • IT and administrative skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of using data to assist with individual target setting 	Contents of the Application Form Interview Observed lesson Professional references
Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High standard of subject knowledge and a genuine enthusiasm for the subject • Effective communication skills with a proven ability to build a positive and collaborative rapport with pupils, parents and staff alike • IT and administrative skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broad understanding of educational issues, and teaching and learning strategies 	Contents of the Application Form Interview Observed lesson Professional references
Personal competencies and qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motivation to work with young people • An appreciation of the aims and ethos of Rendcomb College • Ability to make and implement decisions despite challenge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to maintain a consistent and fair approach to classroom discipline • Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships with young people 	Contents of the Application Form Interview Observed lesson Professional references
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of teaching piano and preparing students for all grades • Experience in devising individual lessons for pianists • Excellent practitioner and advocate of modern teaching and learning methods including the use of ICT and mobile technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of an Independent School • Experience of delivering high quality teaching and learning. • Record of ensuring high levels of pupil achievement and/or improved value added. 	Contents of the Application Form Interview Observed lesson Professional references