

Role Profile: Peripatetic Piano Teacher

Purpose

To teach piano in a self-employed capacity as part of a team of visiting peripatetic music teachers.

Key Accountabilities

Leadership and Management

- 1. Line manager would be the Head of Music
- 2. Self employed and expected to follow the guidelines as set out concerning visiting peripatetic music teachers at Downsend School
- 3. To invoice the parents as advised by the Head of Music
- 4. To communicate with the Head of Music about the progress of the pupils on a regular basis
- 5. To supply the Music Administrator with timetables for the term ahead prior to start of every term

Teaching and Learning

- 1. To teach piano pupils on a one-to-one basis as supplied through the Head of Music from the pupil body of Downsend School.
- 2. To prepare pupils for examination boards such as the ABRSM if appropriate and to find other goals and ways of motivating them if not
- 3. To nurture a love of music and playing the piano
- 4. To include Kodaly-based terminology in teaching rhythm and pitch where possible
- 5. To embrace the nurturing and creative ethos of the school

Safeguarding Responsibilities

- To comply with safeguarding policies, procedures and code of conduct
- To demonstrate a personal commitment to safeguarding and student/colleague wellbeing
- To ensure that any safeguarding concerns or incidents are reported appropriately in line with policy
- To engage in safeguarding training when required

Person Specification

The successful candidate is likely to match most, or all, of the following characteristics:

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	✓ Piano grade 8	 Experience teaching piant pupils and preparing them for examinations
Skills	 ✓ Ability to adjust teaching methods to cater for individuals, constantly striving to assist pupils to make satisfying progress ✓ To encourage a love of music and piano playing ✓ To have an understanding of what is required when preparing a pupil for an external performance examination, for example ABRSM or Trinity or GCSE Music ✓ Excellent communication skills (oral, written & use of ICT) ✓ Outstanding organisational & administrative skills ✓ Willingness to be flexible when the timetable requires alteration to accommodate school trips, examinations etc ✓ Punctuality and reliability 	comfortable communicating with young people ✓ Experience of / interest in accompanying vocal / instrumental groups
Experience	 ✓ Teaching piano to minimum grade 6 level ✓ Any other music-related teaching 	✓ Some understanding of the Music GCSE syllabus
Other	 ✓ Keen & self-motivated practitioner, who wishes to be a committed team member in a busy and exciting department at a time of expansion and new opportunities ✓ Calmness & efficiency & the ability to work under pressure 	✓ Desire to keep up with new resources, approaches and developments in the area o

Key Stakeholders

Internal – Staff, pupils, parents External –